

Community Living Service Delivery

Community Living Service Delivery (CLSD) is a branch of the Income Assistance and Disability Services Division for the Ministry of Social Services. The mission of CLSD is to support the development of inclusive communities for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Employees of CLSD are committed to working with their clients to define their goals, dreams and aspirations, and to help enhance their development and quality of life. Programs and services are delivered primarily through partnerships with community-based organizations (CBOs). A broad range of services are available through CBOs including personal care, counselling, respite, advocacy, mentorship and therapies.

Community Living Service Delivery has partnerships with several CBOs across the province to provide a range of residential services and day programs based on an individual's support need, including:

- **Group homes** – homes that are staffed to provide personal care, supervision and support for adults with intellectual disabilities. They are located in residential neighbourhoods throughout the province.

- **Group living homes** – individuals who share a group living home are responsible for paying their basic shelter costs. CLSD provides funds for the support staff that may be required.
- **Supportive living programs** – provide adults living in their own apartments with the limited support and supervision they may require to live as independently as possible.

Day Programs

Operated by community-based organizations, day programs support individuals to participate in work and leisure activities and develop life skills. The programs are designed to help individuals reach their potential and/or obtain a higher level of independence.

Examples include vocational training, employment experiences, life skills, socialization and recreation.

Programs are designed to support the individual needs of the clients they serve. Some are designed for individuals who have limited motor and sensory development.

Other Residential Supports

- **Approved Private-service Homes** – are licensed private homes that provide a family atmosphere for people with intellectual and/or physical disabilities.
- **North View Home** – operated by the Ministry of Social Services in Prince Albert provides long term care for five individuals with intellectual disabilities. Attached to this home is a crisis prevention and support program that provides outreach supports, education and prevention supports as well as a residential unit that provides two spaces dedicated to crisis prevention and support/respite services.
- **South View Home** – operated by the Ministry of Social Services in Moose Jaw provides long term care for up to three individuals with intellectual disabilities.
- **Valley View Centre (VVC)**, operated by the Ministry of Social Services in Moose Jaw, opened in 1955. It currently provides individualized long-term residential services for



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approximately 190 individuals with intellectual disabilities. In February 2012 Government announced the transition of services for the residents of VVC to community-based services.

Community Case Management

Each CLSD client is assigned a Community Service Worker that can provide a broad range of support including:

- Individual client support, counselling and crisis intervention;
- Assessment of client and family needs;
- Family support services such as counselling, respite planning, referrals and providing other information as needed;
- Development and support of approved private-service homes; and
- Coordination of planning and services with individuals, families, community-based organizations and other stakeholders.

CBO Partnerships

CLSD works closely with community-based organizations to create and enhance new programs. Contracts for services are developed and monitored to ensure client programs continue to meet individual needs.

Specialized Programs

Specialized Programs provide individualized supports to clients with complex or high needs. As part of the Specialized Programs Unit, Community Intervention Workers are responsible for case management and coordination; behavioral assessments; development, implementation and evaluation of behavioral programming; as well as providing consultation, education and training to government, community-based organizations, service providers and families. They provide proactive solutions to address complex and challenging behaviours, and are required to reconcile divergent views and interests and work towards mutually acceptable solutions that are centred on the client's needs.

Program Development Consultants also support people with intellectual disabilities, service providers

and staff of community-based organizations by:

- determining what specific programs are needed;
- providing leadership and direction to care providers in the development of programs;
- developing and monitoring programs for individuals in accordance with ethical standards; and
- developing, implementing and evaluating training programs for care providers.

Crisis Support Therapists deliver crisis and prevention support services through three distinct mechanisms: Education and Prevention, Outreach Services and Residential Support. Residential supports are based out of two government-operated crisis homes – North View in Prince Albert and South View Homes in Moose Jaw. The Crisis Support Program is a provincially operated service.

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