

Returning to Work in Chatham Kent

SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH STROKE
PREPARING TO RE-ENTER THE WORKFORCE.



Serving Erie St. Clair and South West LHINs



You've been through a lot – a trip to the emergency department, a hospital stay, rehabilitation and a return to your home, your family and your community. Recovery from stroke is a journey. For some people, that journey includes a return to the workplace – either to their previous role, a modified position or something entirely new. The following services are available to stroke survivors in Chatham Kent who are exploring a return to work.

BRAINWORKS

79 Ridout Street South, London | Ph: 519-657-1180
www.brainworksrehab.com

- IN HOME/COMMUNITY
- FEE FOR SERVICE

You may self-refer to Brainworks, or be referred by a community or government agency. This is a fee-for-service program that may be covered by insurance or other third parties. Brainworks team members create back to work plans tailored specifically for you. Services include: job searches, labour market research, cover letter and resume development, reference preparation, interview techniques, career exploration exercises and more. The community-based vocational placements offered are non-paid, temporary placements with a community host employer. They allow for assessment of your abilities to manage demands in a real work environment. Staff, including social workers, psychologists and rehab therapists, have experience supporting persons with stroke. Learn more online.

GOODWILL CAREER CENTRE

1249 London Road, Sarnia, Ontario N7S 4T3 | Ph: 519-332-4333
300 Lacroix Street, Chatham, ON N7M 6M6 | Ph: 519-354-4400
www.goodwillekl.com

- IN OFFICE
- NO COST
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The Goodwill Career Centres in Chatham and Sarnia offer the following free services to job seekers: Assessment and Case Management, Job Search Preparation, Job Placement/Coaching/Retention services, Information and/or referral to government funded skills training programs, Resource and Information Centre.

INCLUSIVE HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT (INCARE)

P.O. Box 309, Grand Bend | Ph: 519-238-2021
www.incarehealth.com

- IN HOME
- FEE FOR SERVICE
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You may self-refer to InCare or be referred by a community, insurance or government agency. This is a fee-for-service facility that covers all of Southwestern Ontario. Services include individualized employment counseling, referral for career exploration, labour market research, resume and cover letter development, and interviewing techniques. Volunteer placements, job coaching and job accommodation services are also available. Team members include a social worker, job finding club instructor, occupational therapist and rehabilitation therapists. InCare has experience working with individuals with neurological, cognitive and physical disabilities.

LEADS EMPLOYMENT SERVICES


171 Queens Avenue, Suite 410, London | Ph: 1-866-955-3237
51 Front Street East, Strathroy | Ph: 1-866-955-3237
www.leadsservices.com

- IN COMMUNITY/OFFICE 
- FEE FOR SERVICE
- NO COST

Over 40 Employment Specialists with diverse backgrounds, credentials and specializations provide one to one support in customized services: developing skills to prepare for and retain employment, identifying employment opportunities that fit abilities and experience, job coaching and mentoring to build strong relationships with employers and coworkers, facilitating follow up reviews and problem resolution to help achieve success. Leads provide services both in government funded and fee-for service formats in London Middlesex, Elgin, Oxford, Huron, Perth and Lambton counties. Individuals & advocates can contact or apply in person at Leads or at the Leads website.

ONTARIO MARCH OF DIMES

920 Commissioners Rd. East London | Ph: 519-642-3999 ext. 235
www.marchofdimes.ca

- NO COST IF ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICES 
- FEE FOR SERVICE FOR PRIVATE INSURERS

You may self refer to Ontario March of Dimes Employment Services Program or be referred by a community or government agency. March of Dimes Employment Services programs work with several different contracts including: Veterans Affairs Canada (CANVET Services), Ontario Disability Employment Supports Program (ODSP), Community Co-ordinator Project (Opportunities Fund) through Service Canada, Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB), Ontario Works, and Private Insurers. March of Dimes provides a variety of Placement, Assessment and Case Management services that assist individuals with a variety of disabilities to return to work. Such services include development of Return to Work Employment Plans, Employer Based Work Placements both in paid and unpaid settings, Job Search Training Programs, and a variety of Vocational and Functional Assessments. March of Dimes will assist individuals to reach their employment goals and achieve their independence in today's competitive labour market.

Please note: some of our contracts only cover certain areas: ODSP and WSIB is not in Windsor/Essex or Chatham/Kent and ODSP is also not in Sarnia/Lambton or Grey/Bruce.

PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS VOCATIONAL SERVICES

30 Adelaide Street North, Unit 13 | Ph: 519-859-2755
www.practicalsolutions.ca

- IN HOME/COMMUNITY 
- FEE FOR SERVICE

Available by self-referral. Services include Gradual Return to Work programs working with the client, employer and medical professionals to determine suitable positions, accommodations and transitional work programs so individuals can stay at work or return to productive and safe employment as soon as physically possible after a stroke. As well, there is a Vocational Reconditioning Program designed to assess and enhance a client's functional and employment skills in preparation to transition into an alternate career or return to the client's own employer at full capacity.

PURSUIT HEALTH MANAGEMENT

1 – 121 Oxford Street E., London | Ph: 519-672-1048
www.pursuithealth.ca

- IN OFFICE/COMMUNITY 
- FEE FOR SERVICE

While individuals from across Southwestern Ontario may self-refer to Pursuit Health Management, referrals are most often made by physicians, hospitals, WSIB, employers, insurance companies or solicitors. Physio and massage therapy can be self funded. Other services, such as occupational therapy, case management and vocational rehabilitation services are usually funded through insurance or other sources. Pursuit supports pre-vocational skills such as daily living and community access skills. Other services include labour market research, resume and cover letter development, career exploration, reference preparation and interview techniques. Therapists on staff have experience with persons with stroke in both hospital and community based settings.