

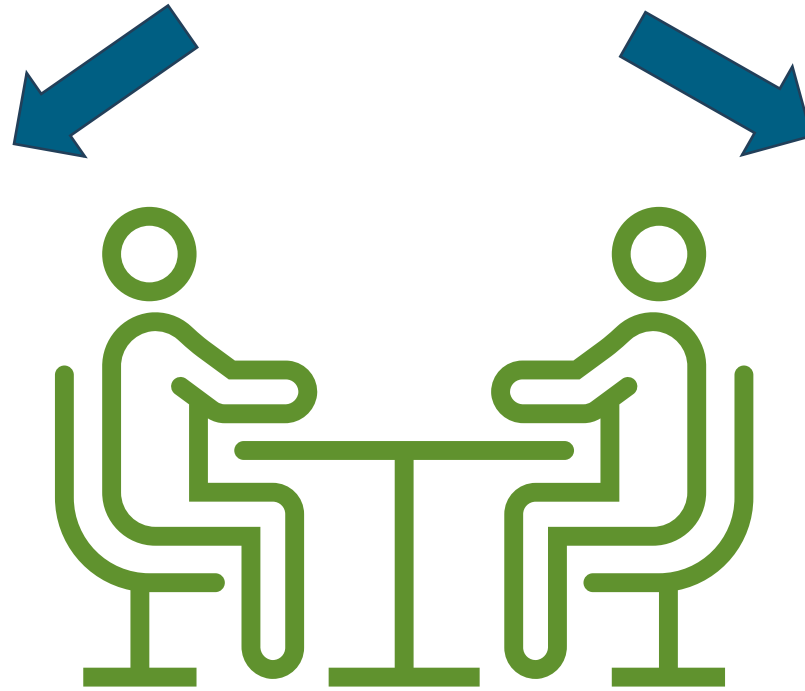
Developmental Services Ontario Toronto Region (DSO-TR)

Your Access Point for Adult
Developmental Services

The Role of DSO

- **Register and Determine eligibility** of individuals requesting adult Ministry-funded developmental services

- **Assess** the needs of the individuals to determine appropriate services and supports



- **Connect** individuals to funded services and supports offered by local Service Agencies

Contact DSO to Apply



- **Phone** 1-855-372-3858 (DS ADULT)



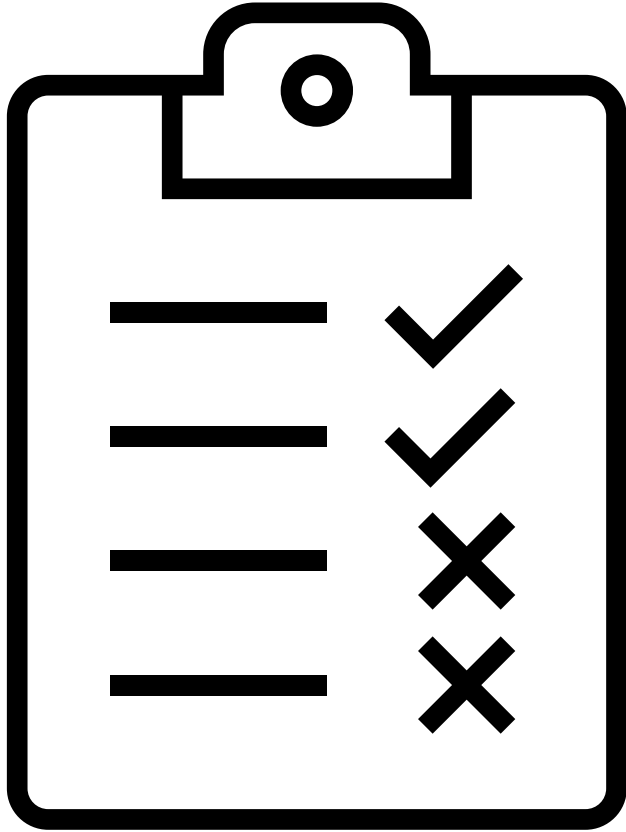
- **Online** <https://www.surreyplace.ca/registration/>



- **Email** to request an intake form: dsotr@surreyplace.ca

Anyone may apply on another's behalf, but **DSO will collect consent** from the individual or their Substitute Decision Maker to proceed

Required Eligibility Documents



- ID which verifies date of birth, name, and address
 - Health card works best
 - Discuss additional options w DSO as needed
- Developmental Disability
 - Ontario Psychological assessment
 - Discuss with DSO as needed

Developmental Disability Definition

- Significant *Intellectual/Cognitive* limitations: challenges with learning, problem-solving, memory, or reasoning

AND

- Significant *Adaptive* limitations: difficulties with daily living skills such as communication, personal hygiene, money management, or social skills

AND

- Cognitive and adaptive difficulties must have been present *since birth or childhood* (not developed in adulthood due to injury, illness, onset of mental health, etc.)

DSO (Passport)

- DSO is Developmental Services Ontario
- You must have a developmental disability to qualify
- Covers respite and community participation
- Passport is a reimbursement program (like SSAH)

ODSP

- ODSP is Ontario Disability Support Program
- You can apply with many types of disabilities including developmental
- Covers basic needs like food/shelter
- Is a monthly direct deposit (Like ACSD)

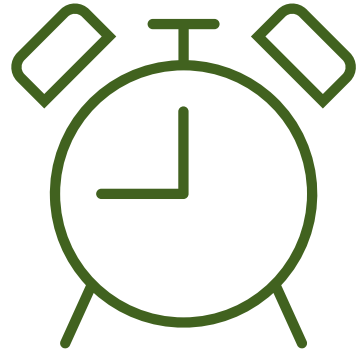
Next Steps After Registration

- Once ALL required evidence is received, a DSO Service Navigator will review
- DSO will send you a letter confirming our eligibility decision
 - Note our services do not begin until 18
- Should you wish to apply for ODSP you can start that process as early as age 17.5
 - You can apply for ODSP [online](#), or call 1-888-999-1142 to get started
 - You can use your DSO letter to facilitate this if you are eligible
- DSO will automatically add you to the Application Package waitlist at **age 18**
 - The wait time for these meetings can vary-we hope to complete each person's package within **1-2 years** of their turning 18.



Supports Available If Eligible and 18+ (Prior to Application Package)

- [Passport funding](#)
 - Contact DSO to request a referral at age 18
 - Base amount is \$5500/year
- Clinical and Specialized Services at [Surrey Place](#)
- Urgent Response or Temporary Supports-Lumenus
- [Housing Navigation](#)



Adult Clinical Programs at Surrey Place

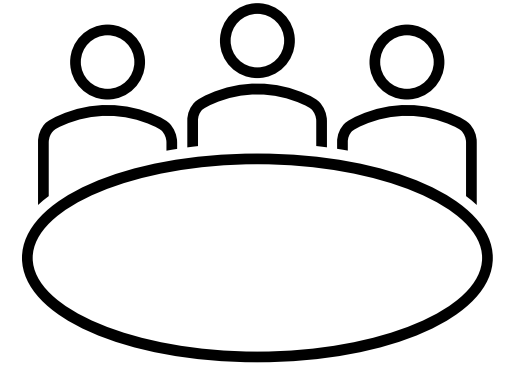
- Behaviour Therapy (BT)
- Occupational Therapy (OT)
- Counselling/Social Work
- Psychology, Psychiatry
- FASD Diagnostic Services
- Family Medicine Consultation Clinic
- Audiology, Speech Language Pathology (SLP)
- +45 Clinic
- Safer Steps Program-Harm Reduction
- **Specialty Groups:**
 - Symphonic Passion Chorus
 - Bereavement Group
 - Sensory Education for Caregivers
 - Self-regulation Group
 - Healthy Relationships Group
 - Socially Savvy Games Group

For a referral call 855-372-3858

Many of these services have a wait list of several years

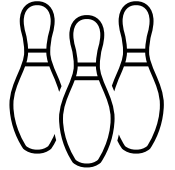
The Application Package

- The [Application Package](#) is an **interview** between a qualified DSO assessor, the client, and one or two people who know them well
- DSO will contact you to schedule when you come up in the queue
- There are **two** meetings, each a few hours long, covering the two parts of the assessment:
 - **ADSS**=Application for Developmental Services and Supports
DSO will get to know you and what supports you currently have and want in future.
 - **SIS**=Supports Intensity Scale
The assessor will gather details about the level of supports needed in all areas of life
- This interview is the same across Ontario and meant to be completed only once
- You must complete this assessment to be considered for MCCSS-funded supports



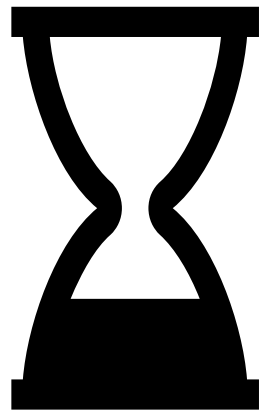
Funded Services and Supports Available (Post-Application Package)

- Additional [Passport Funding](#)
- [Community Participation Supports\(CPS\)/Day Programs](#)
- Employment/Vocational Supports
- [Person-Directed Planning \(PDP\)](#)
- Case Management
- [Housing](#) – Supported Independent Living (SIL), Supported Group Living (SGL), Host Family



Vacancy Management

- Service Agencies declare a vacancy to DSO with criteria details
- DSO service navigators will find candidates who are a suitable **Match** for the vacancy
- **Priority and Match** of any potential candidates determined by the Application Package information/client data
- **Wait times** for funded services are unpredictable as the registries are **priority/needs-based**, and **subject to availability**



Resources

- Surrey Place Website- www.surreyplace.ca
- ConnectAbility- www.connectability.ca
- My Community Hub- www.mycommunityhub.org
- Developmental Services Ontario- www.dsontario.ca
- Surrey Place [Wellness Services](#)-Adult Resource Day
- [Family Service Toronto](#) –Resource Day and Virtual Service Navigation
- Person-Directed Planning- Fee-for-Service-CLT, Geneva, Montage, Corbrook



QUESTIONS



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