

COMMUNITY LIVING DURHAM NORTH  
CONFLICT OF INTEREST - BOARD MEMBERS

Policy No: A-18 (Governance)

Effective Date: July 31, 2007

Rationale:

To ensure organizational integrity and sound governance.

Policy Statement:

The Board of Directors will scrupulously observe the Conflict of Interest provisions in the Association's by-laws and in our Service Contract with the Ministry of Community and Social Services. The Chair will expressly solicit conflict of interest declarations in connection with the agenda of all Board and Committee meetings.

A Board member faces a unique risk of being drawn into conflicted situations if he or she has a relative in receipt of service. In this situation, the director will not raise personal concerns in his or her capacity as Board member. Indeed, the Board of Directors of *Community Living Durham North* does not normally involve itself in day to day program issues or inquire into the circumstances of individual people.

Instead, the Board member will follow the complaints procedure that is in place for all people receiving service, and their family members. The member will also declare a conflict and absent himself from the Board or from any committee that might ultimately review his appeal.

Approved by: _____ for the Board of Directors	Date: _____
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