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Meeting **July 11**

Learning Forums Filming July 19

Lunch & Learn

Online Crisis Services: Efficacy and Lessons Learned, presented by Jill Wolski July 30

CASP2012 Steering **Committee Meeting** Thursday, August 2

Stepping Out of the Darkness: **CASP 2012**

Distress Centres Ontario is the host agency for the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention National Conference to be held between October 15th - 17th, overlooking the natural majestic beauty of the Niagara Falls at the Sheraton-onthe-Falls and The Crowne Plaza Hotels and Conference Centre.

The Crisis and Distress Line Conference and various pre-conference sessions will be held on October 13th and 14th, with an estimated 600 people to be in attendance at various times over the five days. Read more.



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SOV Review Committee Evidence-Based Stress Reduction

In B.C.'s Interior, crisis lines are undertaking a research study to review the impact of evidence-based stress reduction training for their frontline workers. Approximately eighty frontline workers and fifteen supervisory staff are involved in the study taking place between May 2012 and June 2013. Read more.



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Distress/Crisis Line Conference Sunday, Oct. 14

Crowne Plaza Hotel Niagara Falls, ON

DCO AGM and SOV Recognition & Awards Dinner: Sunday, Oct. 14 Crowne Plaza Hotel Niagara Falls, ON

CASP/ACPS 2012
National Conference:
Oct. 15 - 17
Sheraton-on-theFalls Niagara Falls,
ON
Educators Stream
Oct. 17
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Niagara Falls, ON

ED Exchange: November 15 Mississauga/QEW area - TBA

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2012 DCO Commitee Meetings

Education Committee Meetings (Thursdays): July 19 August 23 September 20 October 18 November 15 December 20

Board of Directors Meetings (Tuesdays):

Episodic Volunteer Retention Discussion

In April 2012, many DCO staff and leaders attended a Lunch & Learn presentation on the topic of Volunteer Retention. The presenter, Donna Lockhart, indicated that volunteer commitment has changed in the past years to shorter periods of time, implying that we might be missing out on some valuable brain power

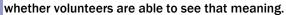


when short-term or episodic volunteers are overlooked. Read more.

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Why Do We Love Volunteer Satisfaction Surveys?

Volunteer feedback can be a gold mine of information for not-for-profit organizations, but the most important subject to evaluate is whether the volunteer's effort has a meaningful effect on the primary work of the organization, and





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5th Annual Spirit of Volunteerism Recognition

With our 5th anniversary of SOV celebrations being held in such a wonderful place as Niagara Falls, plans are underway to make it even more special by extending an invitation our past SOV nominees and recipients.

Invitations will be sent asking them to join us at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Niagara Falls on



July 10 September 11 November 13

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Sunday, October 14th to enjoy the celebrations and share in the pride that goes along with a Spirit of Volunteerism nomination.

We are looking forward to the opportunity to bring our distinguished volunteers, past and present, together at this wonderful event! We'll see you in Niagara Falls!

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