



Educate. Connect. Empower.

Special Announcement

FROM: Waterloo Region Family Network (WRFN)
DATE: Oct 6, 2016
TO: Media, Members, Service Providers, Funders, Families

The Family Resource Coach has moved!

The Autism Services collaborative continues!



Waterloo Region Family Network (WRFN) is pleased to announce that the Family Resource Coach from Autism Services Waterloo Region (ASWR) has transitioned to our organization.

Katie Galashan, the Family Resource Coach, has been supporting families with or without a diagnosis of autism for many years, providing information on *where* to find *what service* at *every stage* from early childhood through adulthood. Katie continues in her role to help navigate services and supports in our community as well as provide connections to programs, activities and information. The role of the Family Resource Coach has been broadened to provide resource support for all families of all special needs and neurodiversity.

If you have questions about autism, or other exceptionalities, you may contact Katie at 519-886-9150 Ext 4 or by email at katie.galashan@wrfn.info This is GREAT news for families in Waterloo Region! There has always been a strong reciprocal partnership with ASWR and the [Waterloo Region Family Network](#) and this transition eliminates confusion of *who does what*.

The collective problem solving work of the **ASWR Collaborative** members also continues, simply in a different way. The active collaboration of service providers and families is now convening as the **Autism Services Working Group** under the Waterloo Region Family Network (WRFN). This group meets bimonthly and continues to bring service providers and families together. In this collaborative, everyone has an equal voice in identifying strategies that help remove barriers and enhance inclusion! For more information contact the Family Resource Coach. With this transition comes the end of the familiar ASWR logo and branding and future communication will be through the Waterloo Region Family Network (WRFN).

The Family Resource Coach is located in the office of Waterloo Region Family Network, within the Centre for Autism, at The Family Centre, 65 Hanson Avenue in Kitchener.

Contact Katie at 519-886-9150 Ext. 4 or katie.galashan@wrfn.info

Who can call? ANYONE. ANY AGE. ANY QUESTION.



65 Hanson Avenue
Kitchener ON N2C 2H6
519-886-9150
info@wrfn.info
www.wrfn.info