

# HEALTH ACTION ASSEMBLY

# Ontario

## Health Coalition

Protecting public healthcare for all.

Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor Street, Toronto

## Saturday & Sunday

January 20 | January 21

10 am – 4:30 pm | 9 am – 12:30 pm

OR join virtually by Zoom.

Register at: <http://tiny.cc/ys6hvv>

**Hotel Rooms:** We have reserved a block of hotel rooms at a reduced rate at the Chelsea Hotel on 33 Gerrard Street West. The rate is at \$199 + tax/night.

To book your room, please use this link: <http://tiny.cc/9g6hvv> or call 1 (800) 243-5732 and cite the **Ontario Health Coalition Room Block** to receive the reduced rate. Please book as soon as possible, as space is limited and the deadline to book your hotel room at the discounted rate is **Friday December 22**.



**Local Coalitions:** We will fund up to two representatives from each active local health coalition. All subsidies must be pre-approved by Natalie Mehra, executive director. You must fill out a subsidy request form & email it to Natalie Mehra at [ohc@sympatico.ca](mailto:ohc@sympatico.ca). Note: we will subsidize amounts up to the block rate for a hotel room only.

The Ford government is trying to close and diminish our local public hospital services. They are privatizing and deregulating the health care workforce. They are privatizing our core hospital services, long-term care, home care, primary care, Public Health. They are also building the infrastructure for private for-profit hospitals.

The fightback is starting to see some success. In the early summer, the government reversed their decision to cut funding for locums to staff hospitals which was threatening services in rural and northern communities. The government was forced to open a non-profit urgent care centre in Minden to “replace” the closed emergency department. They spent the summer holding press conferences announcing public hospital funding and have funded out some hospital deficits caused by the high cost of private for-profit agency staffing. However, this is a tough government and they have not yet changed course on privatization.

Now, more than ever, we need fearless, strong, ambitious action to stop privatization and force the rebuilding of our public health care.

Each year, we invite everyone who believes in Public Medicare and wants to defend and improve it to join together in a major strategy session. Join us for an important and fun weekend of briefings, speakers, report-ins and strategizing on January 20 & 21.

## REGISTRATION FORM

If you are joining by Zoom, please register at this link <http://tiny.cc/ys6hvx> and indicate how you will be paying. It is a sliding scale, which means folks are asked to pay what they are able to. We ask that organizations that are able to, please pay the full amount so we can subsidize the cost of individuals and community groups. That's how the Ontario Health Coalition works.

For all those who will be joining us in person:

Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_ on Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ on Sunday

Name of key contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional names of attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel (cell): \_\_\_\_\_ (work): \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_

### FEES: (sliding scale)

We are asking folks to pay what they are able to pay within the sliding scale range (from \$0 - \$80 on Saturday & \$0 - \$50 on Sunday). We ask that organizations that are able to, please pay the full amount so we can subsidize the cost of individuals and community groups.

**Saturday:** \$80 per person (sliding scale – for those who do not have organizational funding)

Amount paid: \_\_\_\_\_ x number of people \_\_\_\_\_ = subtotal \$

**Sunday:** \$50 per person (sliding scale – for those who do not have organizational funding)

Amount paid: \_\_\_\_\_ x number of people \_\_\_\_\_ = subtotal  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Total: \$**

Please mark an X to select your payment method:

Enclosed by cheque \_\_\_\_\_

OR

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Mail or email to: Ontario Health Coalition 15 Gervais Drive, Suite 201, Toronto Ontario MC3 1Y8 tel: 416-441-2502 [ohc@sympatico.ca](mailto:ohc@sympatico.ca) If emailing, please use subject line: **Assembly registration.**

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