



## **Our Kids Network Champions**

Our Kids Network's eight Protocol Partners provide resources including financial support, leadership, and guidance to the network. These organizations have signed a partnership agreement that outlines their sustained support of Our Kids Network (OKN).

### **Who are OKN's champions?**

- Halton Region: Commissioner of Social and Community Services and Chief Medical Officer of Health
- Halton Children's Aid Society, Executive Director
- Halton Regional Police Service: Chief of Police
- Halton Catholic Board of Education, Director of Education
- Halton Public Board of Education, Director of Education
- Halton Multicultural Council, Executive Director
- ROCK, Reach Out Centre for Kids, CEO
- ErinoakKids, Centre for Treatment and Development, President and CEO

### **What do OKN champions do?**

#### **Financial contributions**

Without the ongoing financial support of the Protocol Partners, there would be no Our Kids Network. All 8 Protocol Partners provide funding for Our Kids Network. They do this because they believe in the work and have seen the positive impact of the network in Halton over more than 20 years.

#### **Leadership and guidance**

OKN Protocol Partners set the scope and direction for the network, keeping the capacity of Halton professionals to support children, youth and families top of mind. They provide guidance based on their knowledge of local, regional, and national issues and trends that effect professionals, and children, youth and families.

#### **Government relations**

It is important that OKN initiates and maintains constructive relationships with all levels of government as changing policies and procedures can have an impact on programs and initiatives. Champions regularly connect with government representatives on OKN's behalf building positive relationships with all levels of government.