

# **Guiding Statements**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Community Living Quinte West is committed to the provision of supports that will assist individuals with an intellectual disability to live, work and play as integrated and valued members of their community.

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

Community Living Quinte West is a non-profit organization whose vision is one of a community that encourages and supports each person with an intellectual disability to participate, play, learn, work, and volunteer to the greatest extent possible.

## **CLQW** is committed to:

- a person's right to make real, self-defined choices;
- the provision of supports and resources allowing every person to exercise their rights, privileges, and obligations as full community members;
- enhancement of the emotional, social, educational, vocational and spiritual well being of each individual.

Recognizing the fundamental rights and unique potential of all, CLQW advocates for inclusion of each individual with intellectual disabilities to all aspects of community life.

### **WE BELIEVE** (THAT):

- Each individual is unique and valued as an individual, shall be treated with dignity, and is the foundation in our decision making;
- All person have the right to make real choices in self-defined terms, and be provided with guidance and training to make informed and responsible choices.
- Individuals have the right to live in and have the opportunity to experience their community with support and guidance; inclusion enhances growth and development and that each person is essential to the completeness of the community and must be supported to exercise their rights, privileges and obligation as full members.
- An individual's needs can best be identified and met through team approach which requires fostering of open communication.
- CLQW has the obligation to facilitate the promotion, education, and awareness in all segments of our population of our goals and mandate.
- Change is a necessary part of living and therefore all supports and resources must be sufficiently flexible to adapt to the individual's changing needs. In this we will strive for a safe, healthy, and enjoyable environment.