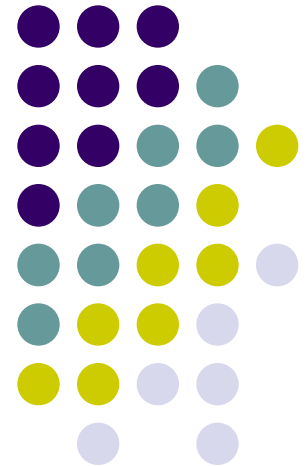


# Quality Early Learning Network

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Non profit multi-site/service  
child care operators in Ontario



# QELN



- Multi-site child care operators in the City of Toronto – 2004
- Original purpose – deal with issues related to the city of Toronto
- Professional Development
- Discussions on broader policy issues related to child care

# QELN



- Child Development Institute
- Family Day Care Services
- George Brown College
- The Learning Enrichment Foundation
- Macaulay Child Development Centre
- Mothercraft
- Municipal Child Care Services
- Network Child Care Services
- WoodGreen Community Services
- YMCA

# QELN



- Quality Network in Toronto - 2008
  - 17,000 children
  - 344 centres
  - 528 homes



# QELN

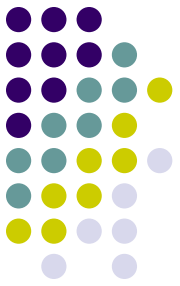
- The original Toronto group held meetings with Charles Pascal, MCYS, Minister Kathleen Wynn
- Facilitated & supported by Sue Hunter
- Discussion Papers
- Staff Forum – Leadership facilitated by George Brown

# QELN



- Multi-site in Peel – similar purposes
- Multi-site in York since 2006 - similar purposes
- Winter 2010
  - came together across the GTA
  - invited in a service provider from Durham

# QELN



- Winter of 2010
- Expansion to include Hamilton, Halton & London
- BILL 242

# QELN



- Child Development Institute
- Community of Maple Child Care Services
- Denison Child Care
- Family Day Care Services
- The Learning Enrichment Foundation
- London Children's Connection
- Macaulay Child Development Centre
- Milton Community Resource Centre
- Mothercraft
- Network Child Care Services
- PLASP Child Care Services
- Schoolhouse Playcare Centres of Durham
- Today's Family
- Upper Canada Child Care Services
- WoodGreen Community Services
- YMCA
- York Child Development
- York Professional Care & Education



# QELN



## Current numbers\*

- \$200M in revenues
- 3,700 Employees
- 27,000 Children
- 210 Centres / 330 Schoolage Programs
- 700 Home Child Care Providers

\*numbers are approximate

# QELN



- **OUR VISION** – A comprehensive, integrated system of services for children and families delivered by the public sector, school boards and not for profit community agencies working collaboratively in the best interests of children.

# QELN



- **MISSION** – The **Quality Early Learning Network of Ontario** will work collaboratively with public policy decision-makers to develop, deliver and sustain a system of services for all children and families, including early learning and care, which is accessible, affordable, inclusive and effective. The QELN will work to ensure a strong role for not-for-profit community based agencies in the delivery of early learning and care.

# QELN



- Executive of five people
- Two co-chairs, treasurer, two membership co-chairs
- Agencies contribute financially and in kind
- Meeting with the Ministry of Education
- Position on Child and Family Centres
- Workplan for the upcoming year

# QELN



- Benefit of the collective voice
- Utilization of a range of skills and strengths across diverse organizations
- Cross regional experience enhances understanding for all organizations
- History, experience and knowledge to help influence public policy
- Front line understanding of children and families which brings context to public policy discussions