



## **EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL**

A voice for the clients of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

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### **Purpose of the Organization:**

The Empowerment Council is a voice for clients/survivors and ex-clients of mental health and addiction services. The purpose is to conduct system wide advocacy on behalf of clients and ex-clients.

### **General Description of Regular Activities and Operations:**

The EC's activities include providing, or facilitating:

- a) Advocacy on a systemic level (e.g. to CAMH, government) on behalf of mental health and addiction clients
- b) Information and education to clients, mental health professionals, addiction workers, and other members of the CAMH and broader community;
- c) Significant client involvement in decision-making and accountability structures of CAMH, including client representation on relevant CAMH committees, etc.
- d) Outreach and community development with clients of CAMH, and liaison with CAMH and other groups and organizations sharing EC goals