

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR CANDIDATES:

Is your party committed to the full and timely implementation of the Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) that was passed with all party support in December 2013?

What will your party do to ensure a stable, fairly paid and qualified work force providing service to Manitobans with intellectual disabilities?

What will your party do to ensure the comprehensive reduction of wait times for disability services?

What will your party do to ensure equity in employment opportunities for Manitobans with disabilities?

Will your party commit to introducing an alternative income program for Manitobans with severe and prolonged disabilities during the next term in office?

How have disability issues affected you and your family?

What do you see as being the greatest accessibility challenges within our constituency and what will you do to address the challenge?



15% of Manitobans have a disability.

Funding for almost ALL disability services is provincial.

Imagine if 15% of voters along with all of their families, friends and neighbours voted with disability issues in mind....it could change the outcome of the election.

Join us.

Most people will experience a disability at some point in their life....that means you or a close family member is sure to need services, it's just a matter of when.

Disability Matters: Vote 2016 has three key goals:

- To promote attention of five priority disability issues in the election.
- To support Manitobans with disabilities in making informed voting decisions.
- To ensure that all Manitobans with disabilities can participate fully in election activities and that those who are eligible to vote are able to do so.

DISABILITY MATTERS: VOTE 2016 PRIORITY ISSUES

A Fully Accessible Manitoba

Manitobans with disabilities have the basic human right to participate in all aspects of public life such as work, study, shopping and recreation. However, people with disabilities continue to face serious obstacles that prevent full participation in parts of life that most Manitobans take for granted.

Fair Wages

Manitobans with intellectual disabilities deserve well-trained, qualified staff who are paid a fair living wage to provide consistent, high standards of care. Quality of life for all Manitobans depends on developing and maintaining close relationships with those around us.

Timely Access

Thousands of Manitobans with disabilities and their families spend months, even years, in crisis while they wait for services that can help significantly improve their quality of life. Timely access to service is good public policy.

Unleashing Employment Potential

Of the 87,120 Manitobans with disabilities between the ages of 15 and 64, there are 35,000 that are either unemployed or are not actively seeking paid employment. Thousands of others are underemployed. This is a tremendous waste of human and economic potential.

Dignified Income

Many Manitobans who have severe and prolonged or permanent disabilities cannot work full-time or enjoy economic independence. They face profound barriers to success in the labour market and must rely on the government's Employment and Income Assistance (EIA) program to meet their basic needs.

You Can Help—It's Easy!

- When a candidate comes to your door, ask them a question from the back page of this hand-out.
- Follow our campaign on social media
- Order a lawn sign to show your candidates that Disability Matters!

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