

PCN-T Website Bio

Joan Anderson

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Joan Anderson is a respected leader, facilitator and project manager and has been involved in the not-for-profit sector for over 30 years. Prior to becoming a consultant in 1999, Joan was Director of Education & Advocacy with the AIDS Committee of Toronto (1994-1999), including a period as Interim Executive Director, and AIDS Educator/Policy Advisor with the East York Health Unit (1988-1994).

Among her demonstrated talents are:

- Board Governance
- Project Management
- Policy development
- Meeting planning and facilitation
- Strategic/program planning including stakeholder consultations and literature reviews

Joan's consultant projects include:

- AIDS 2006 Toronto Local Host - Canadian organizer for the XVI International AIDS Conference. Senior Advisor: member of senior management team, advised on government relations, strategic issues, and governance; facilitated initial development of the Local Host organization. (2003-2007)
- AIDS Committee of Toronto. Stakeholder consultation to support preparation of the search process for an Executive Director. (2002)
- AIDS Committee of York Region (ACYR). York Region Agency Consultation on HIV/AIDS Needs Assessment. (2003)
- Canadian Treatment Action Council (CTAC). Facilitated two strategic planning sessions. (2003 and 2004)
- Canadian Working Group on HIV and Rehabilitation (CWGHR). Assisted in all stages of the process to develop a strategic plan. (2006)
- Canadian Working Group on HIV/AIDS and Rehabilitation (CWGHR). Income Support Research Project including literature review: *HIV & Disability Insurance in Canada: An Environmental Scan*. (2005)

- Casey House Hospice. Needs Assessment including community consultation and report with recommendations for strategic and program planning. (1999)
- Committee for Accessible AIDS Treatment (CAAT). Comprehensive research report edited into accessible public *Action Research Report*. (2001)
- Community Social Planning Council of Toronto. Organizational Review. Reviewed key documents and interviewed key stakeholders to conduct comprehensive organizational review.
- General Practice Psychotherapy Association (GPPA). Planned and facilitated strategic planning retreat. (2000)
- Good Shepherd Ministries. Conducted research, interviews, focus groups and analysis to assist with report and recommendations on community relations for three downtown homeless men's shelters. (2007-2008)
- Health Canada. Literature review and stakeholder consultations for Environmental Scan on the state of the Canadian Strategy on HIV/AIDS. (2002)
- Health Canada - Ministerial Council on HIV/AIDS. Conducted Canadian and international consultation and co-wrote paper: *Towards a Broader View of Health: Strengthening Inter-Ministerial Collaboration on HIV/AIDS in Canada*. (2001)
- Income Security Advocacy Centre (ISAC). Planned and facilitated Board/Staff governance and planning session. (2002)
- International Council of AIDS Service Organizations. Advise on governance to senior management and Board of Directors. (2000-present)
- Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care - Strategic Policy Unit, Mental Health and Rehabilitation Reform Branch: Service provider consultation and report, *Telepsychiatry Backgrounder*. (2004)
- Ministry of Health, Mental Health and Rehabilitation Reform Branch: Review of Mental Health Homelessness Initiative Phase I. Developed survey instrument through stakeholder consultation. (2001)
- Ministry of Health, Mental Health and Rehabilitation Reform Branch. Consultation process & report on potential partnerships in rehabilitation between the Ministry of Health and the Insurance Industry. (1999)
- Ontario AIDS Network. Needs assessment of member agencies on Hepatitis C, followed by training session and fact sheets (2000-01); workshop with Executive

Directors on developing advocacy plans on public policy issues (2003); set up and advised Social & Economic Inclusion Project (2003-04).

- Ontario HIV Treatment Network (OHTN). Researched and contributed to a policy paper on *People with HIV/AIDS Issues Relating to Ontario Disability Support Program*. Co-facilitated follow-up forum. (2003-04)
- Parkdale Community Health Centre. Strategic planning process to support organizational transition. (2000)
- Regent Park Community Health Centre. Strategic planning - research and meeting facilitation.(2008)
- Toronto HIV/AIDS Network (THN) – Project Manager. Coordinate Steering Committee and working groups; provide strategic advice, planning and project management for this network of HIV related services in Toronto. (2008-present)
- Toronto People With AIDS Foundation. Comprehensive Policy & Procedures Manual. (2000-2001).
- Voices of Positive Women. Stakeholder consultation and transition plan (2001); facilitated strategic planning meetings (2003-04).