

## THE EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL A Voice for the Clients of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

## THE EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL'S TERMS OF REFERENCE

## The Empowerment Council will:

- 1. Advocate on a systemic level (e.g. to C.A.M.H., government) on behalf of addiction and mental health clients.
- 2. Ensure client access to information, and educate clients in regard to choices, self advocacy, critical thinking, leadership development, and political awareness.
- 3. Educate, sensitize, and provide training to mental health professionals, addiction workers, and other members of the community.
- 4. Ensure the representation of the client perspective at C.A.M.H. through participation on relevant committees, work groups, etc.
- 5. Increase client involvement in decision-making and accountability structures.
- 6. Liaison with C.A.M.H. and groups that share E.C. goals.
- 7. Conduct outreach and community development with mental health and addiction clients of C.A.M.H.