

INTRODUCTION

London, Ontario, Canada

Canada's tenth largest centre, London is a growing metropolitan area of approximately 360,000 people located in the heart of southwestern Ontario. It is situated between Lake Erie and Lake Huron, and is a short two-hour drive from the major centres of Toronto and Detroit. Well-known for its abundance of trees and pleasant surroundings, the "Forest City" offers relaxed and inexpensive living. The Thames River winds its way throughout the city, harbouring a number of large and small parks as well as miles of walkways and bicycle paths.

London offers various cultural and community activities including theatre, museums, a downtown market, and a symphony orchestra. It is also near other well-known cultural centres including Stratford (Shakespearean Festival) and Niagara-on-the-Lake (Shaw Festival) as well as a number of very popular local festivals. London also is the home of various sports facilities including the John Labatt Centre (often described as North America's finest Junior Hockey venue), Labatt Park (the world's oldest continuously used ball park), and TD Waterhouse Stadium.

London also boasts numerous natural areas throughout the city that are open year-round including wetlands, meadows, forests, valleys, and other relatively undisturbed lands that are home to many different plants and wildlife. Some contain rare plants, wildlife or landforms, and are especially large or diverse in their habitat. Many of these areas are considered environmentally significant on a local, regional, provincial or even national scale.

London is home to The University of Western Ontario with over 33,000 graduate and under-graduate students, approximately 3,500 full-time faculty and staff members, and over 250,000 alumni. Through its 12 faculties and schools and three Affiliated University Colleges, the University offers more than 400 different majors, minors and specializations. Research is an integral part of the University's mission and external support for research projects totals over \$200 million per year.

More information about living in London can be found on the Good Move, London website, at: <http://goodmovelondon.com> and on the City of London website, at: <http://www.london.ca>

CONSORTIUM PARTNERS

London Health Sciences Centre

Caring for You. Innovating for the World.

www.lhsc.on.ca

London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC), one of Canada's largest teaching hospitals, was created in 1995 following a merger between University Hospital and Victoria Hospital whose history dates back more than 135 years. Building on its tradition of leadership and partnership, the hospital champions patient-centred care, a spirit of inquiry and discovery, and a commitment to life-long learning through its vision of Exceptional Experiences, Extraordinary People, Engaging Partnerships.

First and foremost, LHSC provides primary, secondary, tertiary, and selected quaternary services for the communities of London and Middlesex. The hospital serves as a regional referral centre for selected, highly specialized tertiary and quaternary clinical services for those communities beyond London and Middlesex.

LHSC is recognized worldwide for its outstanding medical care and achievements including North America's first artificial cervical disc replacement (2002) and the world's first robotic-assisted surgery using videoconferencing technology (2001). It continues to be a world leader in robotic-assisted cardiac and cancer surgery. The hospital's international reputation draws patients from across North America and the rest of the world.

Each year, their staff of over 10,000 care for almost 900,000 inpatients, outpatients, and emergency patients. Dedicated to excellence in patient care, teaching, and research, LHSC has a capacity of over 850 beds (including 20 bassinets at the Children's Hospital) with annual operating expenses of over \$950 million. The overriding philosophy of the hospital is "patient-centred care" guided by caring and compassion.

Spread over three million square feet of property, LHSC is located on three sites: University Hospital, in the north end of London, Victoria Hospital, in the south side of London, and South Street Hospital, which is close to the downtown. In the next two years, the South Street Hospital will close, transferring services primarily to the Victoria Hospital where there will be an increasing emphasis on ambulatory and outpatient care. The Victoria Hospital is also the location of the Children's Hospital.

The hospital is the major referral centre for the southwestern Ontario region, and has a number of health care partners across the city and province. LHSC provides a variety of premier services and programs including Cancer Services, Clinical Support Services, Medicine Services, Mental Health Services, Surgical Services and Women and Children's Services.

LHSC also serves as the primary teaching hospital for the University of Western Ontario's Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry and provides training to over 2400 students, residents, and fellows a year from over 30 educational institutions across Canada.

Research partners include the Children's Health Research Institute, the John P. Robarts Research Institute, and the Lawson Health Research Institute.

Psychology at London Health Sciences Centre

In accord with the hospital's vision statement – *Caring for You. Innovating for the World* – Psychology at LHSC is committed to patient care, teaching, and research. Our staff is also strongly committed to the enhancement of psychology as a profession through continuing staff education and leadership in organizations devoted to professional growth. Psychology Staff includes 23 full-time and 9 part-time psychologists, 3 psychological associates, 6 psychometrists, and a number of support staff and research assistants (see **Consortium Staff Biosketches** for a description of staff members). We also have 3 psychologists who are full-time faculty in the UWO Department of Psychiatry on site. Despite diverse services and different geographic locales, Psychology maintains its cohesion as a profession through regular meetings and rounds.

As clinicians, we are committed to the promotion of health in its broadest sense, including the enhancement of physical, emotional, cognitive, and social well-being. Compassion and care, coupled with clinical innovation, are distinguishing features of our patient service. Integrated, comprehensive health care is emphasized through program-based management and inter-professional teamwork.

Psychologists at LHSC provide clinical psychology and neuropsychology services through consultation, assessment, diagnostic, and treatment services to a wide variety of adult and child/adolescent inpatient and outpatient programs, accepting over 2800 new referrals per year for services for individuals and their families. Clinical referrals reflect a diversity of patient needs and staff expertise. Assessment strategies include cognitive, behavioural, personality, and neuro-psychological approaches; therapeutic modalities include individual, group, couple, and family work; and theoretical orientations include cognitive behavioural, developmental, and eclectic approaches. Psychologists serve as valued consultants to physicians and other health care professionals, both within the hospital and throughout the community. In 2010, there were over 17,000 patient visits to Psychology Staff at LHSC.

St. Joseph's Health Care, London

Guided by the people we serve...

Provided by people who care.

www.sjhc.london.on.ca

St. Joseph's Health Care, London is a blend of distinctive facilities, programs, and services, resulting in one of the most unique academic hospital organizations in Canada. St. Joseph's Health Centre, Parkwood Hospital, and the London/St. Thomas Psychiatric Hospital joined together to create a new health care organization to serve the residents of London and Southwestern Ontario. From the shortest visit to the longest stay, St. Joseph's earns complete confidence in the care they provide, and make a lasting difference in the quest to live fully. They help all who come to them for care to maintain and improve their health.

St. Joseph's is a recognized leader in the delivery of excellent compassionate care, progressive teaching and renowned research; as well as one of Canada's leading multi-specialty academic health care centres, with medical specialists, clinicians, and researchers who have an impact near and far. They work with people to minimize the effects of injury, disease and disability and do this by pursuing excellence in care, research and education in a wide range of hospital, clinic, long term and community-based settings and by working with their partners to create a better health care system. St. Joseph's is composed of five areas of health care: Acute/Ambulatory Care, Complex Care and Veterans Care, Long Term Care, Rehabilitation and Specialized Geriatrics, and Specialized Mental Health Care.

True to its 120-year legacy, St. Joseph's is breaking new ground in care, teaching, and research as it recreates hospital care and works with others to transform the health care system. St. Joseph's is recognized for its world's firsts in treatment and research including the first measure of neurotransmitter concentration in schizophrenics by Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (1990) and the first study of the role of sleep and hormonal changes in the etiology and treatment of postpartum psychosis (2003). Each year, their staff of over 5,000 provide care for more than 600,000 inpatients, outpatients, and emergency/urgent care patient visits with annual operating expenses of over \$450 million. Guided by its values, St. Joseph's helps people of Southwestern Ontario regain and sustain their optimal health and quality of life.

Lawson Health Research Institute is the research arm of St. Joseph's Health Care, London. Lawson is one of the largest hospital-based research institutes in Canada attracting over \$65 million in research funding each year and over 1,200 principal investigators, technicians, support staff and trainees. Lawson is recognized internationally for its research and clinical work, spanning the full continuum of human life. At St. Joseph's, Lawson investigators focus their research on such areas as diabetes, geriatric care, rehabilitation, probiotics, and imaging. Advances derived from research are applied directly to patient care and are shared through its regional outreach programs.

Psychology at St. Joseph's Health Care, London

Psychology at St. Joseph's Health Care, London is firmly committed to the organization's core values - respect, excellence, and compassion. Psychology works within strategic directions of St. Joseph's (Organizational transformation, Performance excellence, Mission and leadership, and Advancing research, teaching and innovation), via a commitment to patient care, to teaching, and to the continuous generation and evaluation of new knowledge.

Psychology at St. Joseph's is firmly connected to the profession as a whole. Staff members involve themselves in staff training, in program evaluation and development, and in leadership in professional organizations. Many staff members have appointments with academic departments—Psychology, psychiatry, and others; and several are scientists with the Lawson Health Research Institute.

Psychology Staff include 20 full-time and 5 part-time psychologists, 1 psychological associate, 6 psychometrists, and various research assistants and associates aligned with our profession (see Consortium Staff Biosketches for a description of staff members). Psychology maintains its cohesion as a profession via regular meetings, attendance at joint events such as Continuing Medical Education events and annual retreats.

Psychologists at St. Joseph's Health Care, London work within a Program Management framework through interprofessional teams. Psychology is committed to the St. Joseph's mission of helping people to maintain and improve their health; and working with them to minimize the effects of injury, disease or disability. Psychology Staff at St. Joseph's share a commitment to client-centred care.

Psychologists are well represented in all programs at their mental health sites, and offer a full range of therapeutic and assessment services to clients with complex mental health care needs. Psychologists also provide services to individuals seeking rehabilitation for acquired brain and spinal cord injuries and to Veterans' Care at Parkwood Hospital; and in behavioural medicine at St. Joseph Hospital's Arthritis Institute and Pain Program. A full range of theoretical orientations and backgrounds, and therapeutic and assessment approaches, are represented.

Child and Parent Resource Institute (CPRI)

Seeing Beyond the Challenges

www.cpri.ca

CPRI (Child and Parent Resource Institute) is operated directly by the Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services and is located in a large, scenic area in the west end of London. It is a regional tertiary/specialist centre for child and adolescent mental health and/or developmental needs, serving all of Southwestern Ontario for 50 years. Children and youth from birth to age 18 are served by outpatient and inpatient interprofessional teams. These teams provide a range of highly specialized, interprofessional assessment, consultation, treatment, research, and education services for children and youth with complex mental health needs.

CPRI provides outpatient services to clients who come for scheduled appointments here at CPRI. They also provide service to clients in their own community. Their 17 county catchment area spans several hundred kilometers and includes the Southwestern Ontario counties of Bruce, Grey, Huron, Perth, Waterloo, Wellington, Hamilton-Wentworth, Brant, Oxford, Middlesex, Lambton, Essex, Kent, Elgin, Haldimand-Norfolk and the Niagara Region.

CPRI has five residential units and a school on site. Residential units vary by bed capacity (from 8 to 12), age, sex, and needs of clients served on the unit. They provide residential services on a short-term basis so children/youth are out of their home community for the least amount of time possible. CPRI works closely with front line services in case management across the Southern Ontario system of care for children and youth with high needs.

CPRI's mission is to enhance the quality of life of children and youth with complex mental health or developmental challenges and to assist their families so these children and youth can reach their full potential. The values that will help them to achieve their mission include:

- Committing to timely, compassionate, and evidence-based approaches,
- Respecting the primary role of the family/caregiver in the lives of children and youth,
- Providing a range of highly specialized, interprofessional consultation, treatment, research, and education services,
- Promoting early intervention to prevent or lessen disabling conditions,
- Striving for excellence in all that they do through learning and innovation, openness, co-operation, systems planning, and accountability, and
- Providing support through consultation, education, and research so that effective treatment can be provided as close to home as possible.

In addition to clinical services, CPRI has a number of resources available to their families, caregivers, and staff, as well as to the entire community, including the Library/Family Resource Centre.

The goal of the CPRI Research and Education program is to initiate, cultivate, undertake, and disseminate research that enhances understanding and works towards ensuring that their programs are evidence-based, effective, and efficient. Clinical research and program evaluation at CPRI is led by a psychologist, and both national and international joint research projects are underway. CPRI is also renowned as an international leader in Biochemical Genetics, providing diagnostic laboratory tests, therapeutic monitoring, and consultations.

Psychology at CPRI

The Psychology Staff at CPRI are integrated into a variety of interprofessional teams and services and work with a number of other professions including psychiatrists, developmental paediatricians, social workers, speech and language pathologists, occupational therapists, child & youth workers (both inpatient & outpatient), and teachers. Psychology at CPRI is firmly connected to the profession as a whole and several CPRI Psychology Staff members have appointments with University of Western Ontario's Department of Psychology as well as with Departments in the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry.

Twelve psychologists and five psychometrists offer assessment, treatment, leadership, training, and research to support CPRI's inpatient and outpatient programs, including the Bipolar Clinic, Brake Shop, Attachment Consultation and Education Service, Emotional Disorders team, Pervasive Developmental Disorder team, Sexual Behaviours Team, Selective Mutism, Home Visiting Program for Infants, and Dual Diagnosis (intellectual and mental health needs). See **Consortium Staff Biosketches** for a description of staff members, and see CPRI's website to obtain more information about each of these specialized services and/or resident opportunities within them.

There are also several in-house training opportunities available to CPRI Psychology Staff including Psychology meetings and a journal club.

Psychology Staff also have a commitment to their community. Many are listed in the CPRI Community Speaker Directory. This community resource provides comprehensive lists of topics, some generic and some highly specific, that are available for presentation by CPRI staff to interested persons, groups, and stakeholders within their catchment area.

Vanier Children's Services

Real Families. Real Problems. Real Help.

www.vanier.com

Vanier Children's Services (Vanier) is a leader in children's mental health helping vulnerable children and youth overcome serious emotional and behavioural problems. Vanier's programs are flexible and responsive to the specific needs of each family. Programs include crisis intervention, residential services, day treatment, therapy, family counselling, and community outreach.

Many of the children receiving Vanier's services are reacting to overwhelming stresses within their lives including death, divorce, violence, neglect, or parental mental health or substance abuse problems. Some are coping with problems or conditions resulting from genetic or prenatal origins. The mission of Vanier is to help children to reach their full potential by working with the child and family's unique strengths, needs, and culture to prevent or reduce serious mental health problems. They meet this by living their vision to create a caring, emotionally healthy and supportive community where all children, including the most vulnerable, reach their full potential to lead safe, productive, and independent lives.

The history of Vanier is intimately tied with the history of London. In 1963, the Children's Aid Society and the Catholic Social Services appointed a committee to review the need in London for a residential treatment facility for emotionally disturbed children. The committee, chaired by Mrs. Joan Smith, solicited an initial pledge of \$50,000 as operating monies for the facility from the May Court Club of London. The Ontario Ministry of Community & Social Services provided an operating subsidy, and the United Way also contributed money to supplement funding from the May Court Club.

On July 1, 1965, the facility was incorporated and adopted the name *Madame Vanier Children's Services* after Madame Pauline Vanier, the much-admired humanitarian and wife of former Governor General of Canada, Georges Vanier. Madame Vanier's consent to the use of her name lent enormous credibility to the organization in its fund-raising efforts.

Operations began in a 100-year-old converted mansion called Fontbonne Hall. The original 10 beds were soon doubled to 20 beds, and Fontbonne quickly proved inadequate for the needs of the treatment centre. A children's "riot" in 1968 ended with the London Fire Department rescuing children from the steep slate roof of the agency. This incident confirmed the need for a facility specifically designed to serve the treatment needs of emotionally and behaviourally disturbed children. Fund-raising and planning for a new centre began.

Also in 1968, Vanier Children's Services became the first private treatment centre in Ontario to be licensed under the Children's Mental Health Services legislation. In 1972, operations moved to the present facility at 871 Trafalgar Street in London, where campus services include residential treatment, day treatment, and outpatient services.

Now known simply as Vanier, it is recognized throughout London and Ontario as a leader in children's mental health services.

In April 2012, Vanier is scheduled to become part of a new amalgamated agency (<http://www.thebest4kids.org/>). Craigwood Youth Services (<http://www.craigwood.on.ca/>), Western Area Youth Services (<http://www.ways.on.ca/>), and Oxford and Elgin Child and Youth Services (<http://www.ocyc.on.ca/>) will form a new agency with the goal of creating better services for children, youth, and families.

Psychology at Vanier

Psychological services are currently available to children and youth until age 18, with the primary focus on pre-school and pre-adolescent age groups. The new agency will serve children and youth from birth to age 21 years. Clients often meet criteria for externalizing behaviour disorders (attention deficit / hyperactivity disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, conduct disorder), compounded by internalizing and family problems. The variety of services currently provided by Psychology at Vanier includes prevention/outreach, outpatient, day treatment, intensive family services, and residential (group and foster) treatment. The new agency will also include Youth Justice services and foster treatment. Several orientations inform the clinical work of the Vanier Psychology Staff, such as cognitive behavioural, solution-focused, emotion-focused, attachment, and relational (contemporary psychodynamic) theories. Specific psychological services for the new agency have yet to be determined.

The Psychology Staff at Vanier currently includes 3 full-time psychologists and 1 full-time psychological associate (see **Consortium Staff Biosketches** for a description of staff members). They provide leadership within the organization and within the profession in London and region. Staff members also have appointments with academic departments of Psychology and Psychiatry at the University of Western Ontario.

The Student Development Centre at The University of Western Ontario

www.sdc.uwo.ca

Western's Student Development Centre (SDC) is dedicated to the provision of an array of integrated professional and accessible services that help graduate and undergraduate students achieve their personal, academic, and professional goals in a confidential and caring environment. In its work, SDC seeks to respect the dignity and diversity of students, and prepare them for engagement as global citizens. The Student Development Centre is a lesbian, gay and transgendered positive space. SDC is housed in the Western Student Services Building in the heart of the campus.

SDC is staffed by 50 employees across a range of student services. Specialized services include Indigenous Services, Learning Skills Services, Writing Support Centre, Services for Students with Disabilities, Volunteers in Progress, and Psychological Services.

Indigenous Services seeks to increase the enrollment and strengthen the retention of Indigenous students. It also has a mission to bolster graduation rates of Indigenous students. All services (e.g. Access/Transition services, Learning Resource Centre, and Visiting Elder programs) are designed to facilitate positive relationships among the university, Indigenous students, and their communities to support the goal of ensuring a supportive teaching and learning environment for Aboriginal students.

Learning Skills Services provides a range of services to assist graduate and undergraduate students strengthen and maintain their academic performance. Individual appointments are offered to students, as well as drop in appointments through the Learning Help Centre. Staff in this program also offer numerous workshops covering general learning topics (such as lecture note taking) and topics geared to specific courses or disciplines.

The Writing Support Centre at SDC provides individual consultations, workshops, and on-line support to help students strengthen their writing. Among their many programs is the Summer Academic Writing Clinic, designed for incoming first year students. Seminars and conferences aimed at Graduate Students are also offered (along with individual appointments) by designated graduate writing counselors.

Services for Students with Disabilities works to help students achieve their potential through the use of academic accommodations and related services. The unit offers students an Adaptive Computing Technology Centre, screening for learning disabilities and attention deficit disorder, provides psychoeducational assessments and specialized learning strategies services.

SDC's Volunteers In Progress program enhances the student experience through volunteer opportunities with SDC and the London Community.

Psychology at the Student Development Centre

Psychological services offered at the Student Development Centre are governed by the guiding values of the agency and the profession of psychology. A commitment to the training of students for counselling/clinical careers is evident in our long history of providing placement opportunities for students from variety of programs.

Psychology staff include 4 full-time clinical/counselling psychologists and 1 full-time counselling psychologist, two doctoral level therapists, and several contract therapists at the doctoral and Master's level. Psychology staff meet weekly as a team, and a representative of the group meets biweekly with other unit reps and the Director. Integration of the unit as a whole is facilitated by monthly staff meetings of the SDC.

All psychology staff are involved, to varying degrees, in the provision of core activities: intake assessments, crisis intervention and triage, and individual and group psychotherapeutic intervention. The model emphasizes shorter-term psychotherapy, but all staff manage some longer term cases. A range of theoretical orientations is represented (see **Consortium Staff Biosketches** for a description of staff members).

Staff are also involved in supervision of practicum and placement students. Psychologists consult with the university community and work closely with staff from other services at SDC. For example, staff may receive referrals from or consult with Services for Students with Disabilities, Indigenous Services and Learning Skills Services. Psychologists at SDC also maintain close communications with physicians both on and off campus, and make frequent referrals to physicians and hospital-based programs.

Our close ties to Western's Department of Psychology, Faculty of Education (Counselling Program), Faculty of Social Work, and to Western as a whole provides an exciting intellectual context in which to work.

Teaching/Education

Member sites in the Consortium have been training clinical psychologists since the 1950s. At any point in time, psychologists from the various sites are supervising numerous practicum students, predoctoral residents, and psychologists with certificates from the College of Psychologists of Ontario authorizing supervised practice. Practicum students hail from a number of university psychology programs across southwestern Ontario, Canada and the United States. Many Consortium Psychology Staff also serve as faculty members in university psychology and medical departments.

Continuing education is a priority for Psychology Staff at all Consortium Sites. Library services are readily available through linkages between sites' libraries and those of the University of Western Ontario. Psychology hosts regular rounds and case conferences. Educational opportunities, such as journal groups or case rounds, are available in many of the clinical services.

Research

Psychology at the Consortium Sites adopts a scientist-practitioner philosophy and, as such, many staff members are actively involved in clinical research activities. Psychology Staff work toward clinical relevance in their research and the integration of their research with their clinical work. This philosophy has led Psychology to be recognized as a significant contributor to the research profile in all of the member organizations of the Consortium. The Consortium has over 30 full and associate scientists affiliated with the Lawson Health Research Institute.

Psychological research is supported through both external and internal grant programs and administrative support of research activities. Currently, many Consortium Staff serve as either principal investigator or co-investigator on grants from several agencies including Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research, Alzheimer Society of Canada, Baxter Research Fund, Canadian Action Network for the Advancement, Dissemination and Adoption of Practice-informed Tobacco Treatment, Canadian Cancer Research Society, Canadian Dementia Knowledge Translation Network, Canadian Institutes of Health Research, Childhood Cancer Canada Foundation, Department of National Defence, Lawson Health Research Institute, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ontario Mental Health Foundation, Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation, Parkinson Society of Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada, St. Joseph's Health Care Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, and University of Western Ontario Academic Development Fund.

Our Psychology Staff also serve as reviewers for or on the editorial boards of numerous journals including *Acta Neuropsychiatrica*, *Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica*, *American Journal of Psychiatry*, *Archives of General Psychiatry*, *Australian Psychologist*, *Canadian Journal of Aging*, *Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences*, *Canadian Journal of Psychiatry*, *Canadian Psychology*, *Child Neuropsychology*, *Cognitive Therapy and Research*, *Clinical Journal of Pain*, *Crisis: The Journal of Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention*, *Early Intervention in Psychiatry*, *European Journal of Pain*, *European Psychiatry*, *Fertility and Sterility*, *Human Reproduction*, *International Journal of Existential Psychology and Psychotherapy*, *International Journal of Psychiatry in Clinical Practice*, *International Journal of the International Neurological Society*, *International Psychogeriatrics*, *Journal of Clinical Psychiatry*, *Journal of Clinical Psychology Practice*, *Journal of EMDR Practice and Research*, *Journal of Gerontechnology*, *Journal of Indo Caribbean Research*, *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*, *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, *Journal of Psychopathology and Behavioral Assessment*, *Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology*, *Journal of Traumatic Stress*, *Lancet*, *Mindfulness*, *Neuropsychologia*, *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *Psychiatric Services*, *Psychiatry Research*, *Psychological Assessment*, *Psychological Medicine*, *Psychological Reports*, *Psychological Science*, *Schizophrenia Bulletin*, *Schizophrenia Research*, *Social Psychiatry and Psychiatric Epidemiology*, *Sociometry*, and *Training and Education in Professional Psychology*.

Service to Psychology as a Profession

Consortium Psychology Staff maintain an active role in local, provincial, and national efforts toward the enhancement of the profession of psychology and the community at large. The London Clinical Psychology Residency Consortium holds memberships with both the Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs (CCPPP) and the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC).

Several staff from the Consortium Sites are involved in task forces, committees, and leadership positions with regional, provincial, and national professional and community organizations, including the London Regional Psychological Association, Lawson Health Research Institute, London and Middlesex Suicide Prevention Council, Cardiac Rehabilitation Network of Ontario, Children's Mental Health Ontario, College of Psychologists of Ontario, Ontario Association for Suicide Prevention, Ontario Mental Health Foundation, Ontario Psychological Association, Tourette Syndrome Association of Ontario, WSIB Solutions for Workplace Change, Alzheimer Society of Canada, Assisted Human Reproduction Canada, Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention, Canadian Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation, Canadian Association of Gerontology, Canadian Coalition for Seniors Mental Health, Canadian Council of Professional Psychology Programs, Canadian Dementia Knowledge Translation Network, Canadian Infertility Counselling Association, Fibromyalgia-Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Canada, Mental Health Commission of Canada, Tourette Syndrome Foundation of Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada, American Association of Suicidology, American Epilepsy Society, Prescribing Psychologists' Register, Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards and the International Psychogeriatric Association.

Our Consortium member's Psychology Staff are often called upon to serve as examiners for the College of Psychologists of Ontario in conducting oral examinations for determination of College registrants' readiness for autonomous practice.