Today’s Presentation

An overview of:

• Programs
• Supports
• Navigation
• Engagement

Offered across the province
Our Mandate

To be a leader in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador by

• engaging with public policymakers and advocating to improve the lives of those affected by ASD

• empowering people to more effectively advocate and obtain supports, through connections with ASNL staff and trained volunteers

• providing easy to understand, practical information related to ASD, for a broad audience on a wide range of educational topics, through all phases of an individual’s lifespan

• creating connections and navigational supports for individuals, families, and professionals to access other community partners and public services

• partnering with researchers to investigate ASD; and

• providing learning and employment opportunities through engagement in social enterprises
ASNL Programs

• Are designed to be flexible to meet the unique needs of individuals on the spectrum

• Offerings vary according to interest, enrolment, and funding opportunities

• Continue to evolve to meet the needs of the community

• Offered in the following areas: Life Skills, Pre-Employment & Career Services, and Community Inclusion
Life Skills Offering

Healthy Relationships and Sexuality for Adults with Autism (HRSA)

• Evidence-based comprehensive sexual education program
• Designed specifically for adults with ASD
• Virtual offering
Pre-Employment

• **STEP** (Students Transitioning into Employment Program)
  • Additional transition support and guidance for students currently attending high school (Level 2 & 3)

• **Transitions**
  • Full year pre-employment program with classroom instruction, community volunteerism, and onsite summer work experience (18+)

• **EmploymentWorks® Canada**
  • 24 weeks of employment preparation focusing on self-understanding, job shadowing, and workplace expectations (15 – 29 yrs)
Career Services

- Job search support
- Resume building
- Interview practice
- Connections with Employment Agencies and trainings
- Employer Education
Community Inclusion

• ASNL partners with several community organizations to offer programs for individuals on the spectrum

• Families shape our offerings

• Builds community awareness and promotes inclusive recreation opportunities for everyone
Engagement Services

• Classroom Awareness presentations

• Professional Development & Training

• Barbra Hopkins Library
Navigational Support

• ASNL has three Navigators across the province and one Navigation Manager

• The role of the Navigator is to assist families, individuals and organizations in working with the systems available to them
Navigational Support

• Provide one on one support to community

• Offer support groups and information sessions as deemed appropriate

• Identify key advocacy issues present in the community
Advocacy

• ASNL provides systemic advocacy support

• Targets the larger issue to create and implement large scale change to the demographic.
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