

Ensuring Greater Accessibility through Clean Indoor Air

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What we knew and committed to in adopting AODA in 2010

- Exclusion from the full array of social life costs not only the individual who is excluded but also the society to which that individual belongs.
- Furthermore, the exclusion of one individual leads to income loss and extra costs borne throughout the personal and extended social networks of the individual.
- Exclusion has cumulative and exponential effects that incur a significant financial cost to society.
- An inclusive Ontario will both create benefits to Ontario's families and communities and reduce their costs.

- Hence the enthusiasm of commercial tourist attractions and events

What we have learned

- Access and accessibility evolve—new issues emerge as we understand more. e.g.
 - neurodivergence and sensory differences
 - Intersectionality of experiences, demographics and characteristics, etc.
- So many were not yet identified but are emerging over time.
- Analagous grounds

Clean indoor air is an analogous ground.

- When we ensure clean indoor air at City events and attractions,
 - more people can and will come
 - fewer people will avoid participation

Multiplier or curb cut effects

- Also, more groups of mixed risk profiles will participate.
- People with IAQ concerns, with varied disabilities, or who live with health risks will green light the attendance of their associations, organizations, families and friends