

**National Conference on Disability and Work in Canada
December 4-5, 2018 Delta Ottawa City Centre**

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Annotated Agenda (Draft, November 9, 2018)

Tuesday, December 4

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| 8:30 | Registration opens |
| 9:00-9:30 | Welcome
Indigenous prayer
Goal of the DWC initiative; goals of this conference
Vignette: A personal story |
| 9:30-10:15 | Overview of draft strategy document and how it was developed |
| 10:15-10:30 | Break |
| 10:30-11:30 | Plenary panel: provincial strategies on disability and work |
| 11:30-12:10 | Table talk on the vision and pillars developed at a policy roundtable in June 2018; what does it mean to you? |
| 12:10-12:15 | Preview of the afternoon |
| 12:15-1:00 | Lunch
Vignette: A personal story
Guest speaker |
| 1:00-1:15 | Break |
| 1:15-2:30 | Parallel discussion sessions I
The focus of each session would be on the role of each of these groups in advancing the goals of the DWC strategy and on the supports they need to accomplish this. Panels will represent a range of perspectives on the topic and will include research and innovation. |
- Lived Experience
 - Employers
 - Service providers



- 2:30-2:45 Break
- 2:45-4:00 Parallel discussion sessions II
- Unions
 - Federal-provincial interface
- 4:00-4:15 Break
- 4:15-5:00 Brief reports from the sessions
- 5:00-6:30 Down time
- 6:30-9:00 Reception

Wednesday, December 5

- 8:15 Breakfast
- 8:45-9:00 Welcome back; overview of day 2
Vignette: A personal story
- 9:00-10:15 Monitoring and evaluation (Indicators)
A brief presentation by ESDC on the 2017 Canadian Survey on Disability (to be released on November 28) and an outline of their plans to develop indicators regarding disability and employment from the Canadian Income Survey. A discussion will follow of how to measure progress and evaluate specific initiatives.
- 10:15-11:00 Mental health and the workplace
- 11:00-11:15 Break
- 11:15-12:15 Small business and disability
- 12:15-1:00 Lunch
Vignette: A personal story
Guest speaker



Wednesday, December 5 (con't)

- 1:00-2:30 Small group discussions on draft strategy: advice on vision, pillars, key activities
Small group discussions on draft strategy; advice on vision, pillars and key activities. Delegates will be asked to consider what they have heard over the last 1.5 days and how to address it in the strategy.
- 2:30-3:00 Break
- 3:00-4:00 Reports back from the group discussion
- 4:00-4:30 Next steps and closing remarks