



"taking care of tomorrow together"

Microboards Ontario 2021 Winter Foundational Course Dates

INTRODUCTION

Microboards Ontario provides leadership in the development of Microboards through education, advocacy and support to people and communities across Ontario. Our vision is that any person within Ontario who wants a Microboard is supported to have one.

People and families that choose to invite others together to form a Microboard fundamentally believe that building strong and abiding relationships is central to a person's security and wellbeing. They trust that close, reciprocal relationships help to strengthen a person's voice and enhance their willingness to be heard. Most importantly, they believe that everyone deserves and wants to have a sense of purpose in their lives.

WINTER 2021 COURSE OFFERINGS

These Foundation Series courses are considered an admissible expense under the Passport program of the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) for individuals and families, subject to the \$2,500 limit on person-directed planning supports.

[Click here](#) to register for any of the following courses.

Courses	Format	Dates	Times	Cost
Microboards 100: A Brief Introduction to Microboards	1-hour course with Judith McGill.	Thursday, January 7, 2021	12:00-1:00 p.m.	\$10.00
		Monday, March 29, 2021	12:00-1:00 p.m.	\$10.00
Microboards 101: An Introduction to Microboards	2-hour course with Judith McGill.	Thursday, January 28, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$65.00
		Wednesday, February 10, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$65.00
		Monday, March 8, 2021	6:30-8:30 p.m.	\$65.00

Microboards 102: The Role of Support Circles/Networks	2-hour course with Judith McGill.	Monday, January 25, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$75.00
		Tuesday, February 23, 2021	6:30-8:30 p.m.	\$75.00
		Thursday, March 11, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$75.00
Microboards 103: Legal Aspects You Need to Know	2-hour course with Saquiba Rahman, Associate Lawyer at PooranLaw.	Monday, January 11, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$75.00
		Thursday, February 18, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$75.00
		Wednesday, March 3, 2021	1:00-3:00 p.m.	\$75.00

COURSE EXPLANATIONS

Microboards 100: What is a Microboard?

Course Director: Judith McGill

This webinar offers a brief overview of what a Microboard is and how it can benefit your family.

Microboards 101: An Introduction to Microboards

Course Director: Judith McGill

This webinar offers a more in-depth introduction to what a Microboard is and how it can benefit your family. Themes include:

- Microboards Ontario
 - mission and vision.
 - brief history in Ontario.
- What is a Microboard?
- The two basic premises.
- Four core beliefs of people and families.
- Laying a foundation.
- Reasons for incorporating.
- Benefits of Microboards.
- The role of Microboard members.

Microboards 102: The Role of Support Circles/Networks

Course Director: Judith McGill

This webinar is aimed at exploring how creating a Support Circle/Network can build close ties and lay a strong foundation for incorporating a Microboard.

For individuals with disabilities making the decision to form a support circle can be the most important decision of their life. For families, inviting others to form a support circle around a loved one can be one of the most courageous and remarkable things they will ever do. Reaching out in this way makes individuals and their families feel particularly vulnerable and yet it gives them access to multiple perspectives and resources like never before. This workshop is designed to help participants broaden their imagination around who we are to one another. Themes include:

- Creating a support circle/network and its benefits.

- Potential challenges of support circles/networks.
- The role of a Facilitator in the process of building circles/networks.
- Planning and decision-making within the support circle/network.
- How can it make good decisions?
- Shifting support circle/networks into microboards.

Microboards 103: Legal Aspects You Need to Know

Course Director: Saquiba Rahman, Associate Lawyer, PooranLaw

This webinar will help you consider how a Microboard can offer a framework for legal and financial decision making of all kinds. Themes include:

- The rewards and benefits of incorporating a legal entity.
- The roles and responsibilities of incorporation both fiscal and legal.
- Legal concepts that do and do not apply to Microboards.
- Director's liabilities.
- Managing and protecting assets.
- Managing funding.
- Liaising with housing trusts and other decision makers.