**Description:**
The ethical, medical management and psychosocial issues for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities facing death, grief and loss can be complex. This two-hour educational event focuses on the critical challenges of providing and accessing optimal end-of-life care and bereavement support for this population.

**Who should attend?**
The information provided by the expert panel will be useful to clergy, counselors, nurses, nursing home administrators, social workers, case managers, psychologists, physicians, funeral directors, marriage and family therapists, caregivers, and those working with death, dying, grief or bereavement.

**Learning Objectives:**
At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

1. Define and differentiate *intellectual and developmental disabilities* and note the patterns of morbidity and mortality with populations of such individuals;
2. Describe the critical issues that emerge in the medical management of life-limiting illness in individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities;
3. Describe the special issues that arise in the assessment and management of pain in individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities;
4. Discuss the ethical issues that arise in end-of-life care for individuals with *intellectual disability*;
5. Define *grief* and enumerate the types of losses that individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families may experience;
6. Describe the ways that grief is manifested in persons with intellectual disability;
7. Discuss interventive approaches and strategies to assist persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are ill or grieving, as well as their families;
8. Identify national resources and initiatives for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and family members who are ill or grieving.

**Thursday**
**October 24th, 2013**
**2:00pm - 4:00pm**
*(this is a LIVE webcast event)*

**Location:**
Bob Rumball Associations For the Deaf
7801 No.5 Sideroad, Milton, ON L9T 2X7

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There is no cost to attend and snacks will be provided. Please use the form below to register by October 16th, 2013. Please let us know if you require deaf interpretation services or if you have any other special accommodation needs.
Please email or fax your registration to Kelly Stockdale-Program Assistant to the Central West Network of Specialized Care, by October 16th, 2013 at kstockdale@cwsds.ca or fax 905-844-3545. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kelly at (905) 844-7864 x383 or Trevor Lumb-Coordinator of the Central West Network of Specialized Care at tlumb@cwsds.ca or 905-844-7864 x321.

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