

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Parent & Caregiver Opportunities

CTC-CK Connects Facebook Group

- Private group for parents and primary caregivers
- Opportunity to ask questions, share experiences and support one another
- Search "CTC-CK Connects" on Facebook

CTC-CK Connects LIVE

- Caregiver-led support group in a conversational format and relaxed environment
- Open to parents and primary caregivers
- Morning group available

Sibling & Family Opportunities

Sib's Night Out

- Offering siblings an opportunity to connect with peers with shared experiences
- Recreational activities provided in a relaxed environment

Sibshop

- Fun, action-packed program for children (ages 7-12 years) who have a sibling with special needs
- A chance to connect with peers who "get it" through expressive recreational activities

Caregiver's Night Out

- Offering "me time" to parents and caregivers
- Connect with others through shared experiences
- Casual, fun activities both virtual and in person

Information Sessions & Workshops

- Educational/ information sessions and workshops are offered based on the needs and interests voiced by families
- Binder Bootcamp is a workshop for caregivers that provides dedicated time and resources to organizing paperwork

Family Events

- Offering accessible, safe events for families to participate in together
- Offering opportunities at the CTC-CK or out in the community

**Open to all families
waiting for or receiving
services at the Children's
Treatment Centre of
Chatham-Kent.**



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JANUARY - MARCH 2026

CTC CONNECTS LIVE

Thursdays, 10:00- 11:30am

Jan. 8 | Jan. 22 | Feb. 5 | Feb. 19
Mar. 5 | Mar. 26

CTC-CK Foundation Office
300 Lacroix St. Unit 5

- An opportunity for parents and caregivers to connect with each other in a conversational format to discuss topics of mutual interest, share successes and challenges, and seek and provide support to one another.
- This caregiver group is free and hosted by the Family Engagement Coordinator with conversation led by caregivers.
- We encourage caregivers to register one week in advance of all chosen session dates.

PICKLEBALL FOR ALL: Family Try It Event

Tuesday, January 13th
6:00- 7:30pm
St. Clair College Healthplex

- Join us for a family-friendly event designed to build community and promote inclusive sport for all.
- An introductory opportunity for families to explore the sport of pickleball with the CTC-CK and the Chatham-Kent Pickleball Club.
- Register and then drop in anytime between 6:00- 7:30pm.
- Siblings welcome!

SUMMER FUNDING FAIR

Thursday, January 15th
6:00- 7:30pm
CTC-CK

- A drop in event for families to learn about inclusive programs and opportunities available in Chatham-Kent over the summer.
- Join CTC staff and community organizations for an evening of connection and learning.
- Children are welcome to attend with their caregivers.

FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK: PICKLEBALL

Tuesday, January 20th
6:00- 7:30pm
Rogers Tennis Dome (23580 Bear
Line Rd, Chatham)

- The CTC-CK and Community Living CK, as part of the Family Support Network, invite parents and caregivers to participate in this casually fun and free evening of pickleball with CK Raquet Chatham.
- No experience necessary, join us as we engage in play together and move our bodies as much (or as little) as you like.
- Open to parents and caregivers of the CTC-CK and Community Living CK (ages 18+) and one guest.

PD FAMILY DAY: K-POP DEMON HUNTERS PARTY

Friday, January 30th
12:00- 3:00pm
CTC-CK

- CTC-CK families are invited to drop in to our awesome party focused on the latest movie "K-Pop Demon Hunters"
- Join us for cupcake decorating, crafts and activities, face painting, and dancing and singling along to all the K-Pop hits!
- Register and drop in anytime between 12:00- 3:00pm.
- Open to all families of the CTC-CK (siblings welcome and caregiver support is required).

PLANNING FINANCIALLY FOR YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE

Tuesday, February 10th
6:00- 7:30pm
Virtually

- Join us for an informative financial presentation offered both in person (at Sarnia Pathways) or virtually.
- This session will share important information on financial planning and the various supports available to help you prepare for your child's future.
- The presentation will be led by Jill Teeple. Executive Director of Partners for Planning.

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PATHWAYS TO WORK FOR YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Wednesday, February 18th
5:00- 6:30pm
CTC-CK

- Parents and caregivers are invited to attend this parent information night open house on pathways to work for youth and young adults in partnership with Windsor Regional Employment Network and the Goodwill Career Centre.
- Have an opportunity to learn about different job paths and options for your teen/ young adult.

WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday, February 19th
6:00- 7:00pm
CTC-CK

- Parents and caregivers raising youth in grades 6, 7, or 8 are invited to an information session on learning more about the transition to high school.
- Hear directly from parents who have helped their children transition to high school.
- Learn what opportunities are available for your youth at the CTC-CK

BINDER BOOTCAMP

Wednesday, February 25th
10:00am- 12:00pm
Thursday, February 26th
6:00- 8:00pm
CTC-CK

- This workshop will connect caregivers and CTC-CK staff together to organize your child's medical, developmental, and/or educational information all in one binder.
- All supplies will be provided and past participants are welcome to bring your binders back to reorganize as needed.
- Two dates and times available for caregivers.

FAMILY SKATE AND SLEDGE

Tuesday, March 10th
6:00- 7:00pm
Thames Campus Arena

- The CTC-CK and Community Living Chatham-Kent (CLC-K), as part of the Family Support Network, are hosting a Family Skate and Sledge for all families caring for children, youth, and adults with disabilities and/or special needs.
- Helmets mandatory for all children 18 years and under.

SIBSHOP

Thursday, March 19th
12:30- 4:00pm
CTC-CK

- The Sibshop program is a fun, action-packed workshop for children (ages 7-12 years) who have a sibling with special needs.
- It's a chance to have fun and connect with peers who "get it" through expressive recreational activities.
- Lunch and a swim in the therapeutic pool included.