

20 years of service in Mansonville for people with intellectual disabilities

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"There are many changes with the restructuring and we are adapting to many changes," said Danielle Lanciaux, Director in charge of Community Integration Services. "We are doing all we can to assure everyone that the same quality services are being offered."

The program in Mansonville offers quality of life and maintenance services to the clientele which includes nine people with intellectual disabilities who benefit from the program. A rehabilitation assistant accompanies the participants during their time at the Centre. Clinical responsibilities are carried out by a specialized educator and all of this is supervised by a manager who is also responsible for all of the day activities centers throughout the Eastern Townships region.

This stimulating program offers the following services: meaningful and learning activities, awareness of the environment, development and maintaining interests, provides new knowledge, allows participants to explore and experiment different mediums by sensory or other approaches.

"The program provides opportunities for the clients to make choices, acknowledge achievements and respond to basic emotional needs and comfort," said Lanciaux.

Marie-Ève Frappier and Jason Corcoran work with the clients in Mansonville and the two of them are enthusiastic, implicated and fun people. When you



From left to right: Marie-Ève Frappier, Educator, Danielle Lanciaux, Director of Community Integration Services and Jason Corcoran who works with the clients two days per week in Mansonville.

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enter the building, there is laughter, talking and a buzz of activity. Jason Corcoran who works with the clients two days per week has created some amazing original hands on activities for the clients to enjoy.

To find out more about this program or other programs offered through the Programmes DI-TSA-DP of the DIUSSS de l'Estrie-CHUS visit the website at: <http://www.crditedestrie.qc.ca/>

Since 1997 services originally set up by the Dixville Home, have provided a program in Mansonville for people with intellectual disabilities or pervasive developmental disorders. Located for the past 13 years in the Missisquoi North Youth Centre building at 282 Main Street, in Mansonville, the service runs every Monday and Wednesday from morning to afternoon.

The services of the Dixville Home are now a part, since April 2015 of the DI-TSA-DP CIUSSS Estrie-CHUS program (developmental disabilities, spectrum disorder Autism and physical disabilities). The CIUSSS of the CHUS Estrie (Integrated university health centre and social services Estrie-Centre Hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke).