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*Information for consumer/survivors of the mental health system,
those who serve us, and those who care about us.*

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CAMH's New Bill of Client Rights Launched !!

On Wednesday April 6th 2005, CAMH and the Empowerment Council were pleased to lead a ceremony in the Queen Street Cafeteria to cheer the launch of the Bill of Clients Rights. The Bill passed at the December Board of Trustee meeting upholds the dignity and worth of all clients through first and foremost the practice and acknowledgment of client rights. Highlights of the event include remarks by Paul Garfinkel and Empowerment Council Coordinator Jennifer Chambers. A special thanks to guest performers the Parkdale Drummers and Steelband musicians from PARC who got us dancing in celebration.

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Family shaken by son's death The provincial Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is currently investigating the shooting death of 29-year-old Elyas Bariali by Durham Region Police. The family of Elyas, who had schizophrenia, have set up two web sites: "one commemorates their loss: <http://www.elyas.bariali.com>. The other- <http://www.petitiononline.com/elyasb> petitions 'for transparency in the handling of the matter by the authorities, and fairness in the outcome of this tragic event.'" (article by Nicholas Keung, Immigration/Diversity Reporter, Toronto Star, March 24, 2005)

Eight TB cases found in shelters Four shelter staff and volunteers have tested positive for TB in recent months. "This indicates to us there is ongoing transmission of tuberculosis in (shelter) settings," says Dr. Barbara Yaffe, associate medical officer of health and director of communicable disease control. In the course of testing for TB within the shelter system, officials have had to issue 12 orders requiring testing for people, including some shelter staff and volunteers. (article by Bruce Demara, City Hall Bureau, Toronto Star, Tuesday, April 5, 2005)

Budget must help families of disabled In her weekly column on disability issues, Helen Henderson recently wrote about the problems with the current ODSP (Ontario Disability Support Program) rules that allow an ODSP recipient to receive only \$160 a month in pay, with the government taking 75 per cent of any earnings above that. The ODSP Action Coalition "would like the base level raised to \$440 and everything above that shared 50-50...For more information on the ODSP Action Coalition, check <http://home.cogeco.ca/~mmdilts> or <http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/odspfireside>." (Toronto Star, Saturday, April 9, 2005, page L4)

Addictions

Safe injection site proposed Toronto's medical officer of health David McKeown says that the city should consider setting up a centre where drug addicts can openly shoot up heroin and smoke crack, in order to "reduce the open use of drugs on the street and drug overdose."

Two years ago, the city set up a team, lead by councilor Kyle Rae, to help combat drugs by researching best practices around the world in the areas of prevention, harm reduction, treatment and enforcement. The team has a number of other proposals, and is to present a complete plan to council by year end. (article by Catherine Porter, City Hall Bureau, Toronto Star, Friday, April 1, 2005, page B1)

Caught in a Web A feature article by Rosie Del Campo in the Toronto Star focuses on the problem of internet addiction, and on the work of the Center for Online Addiction in Philadelphia. "People..will continue to use the Web to escape from stress and problems in their lives." Psychologist Kimberly Young, founder of the Center for Online Addiction, conducts seminars and workshops at hospitals, universities and clinics to help therapists learn more about how the Internet has such "addictive potential", and to better assess and treat the disorder. (Toronto Star, Monday, April 4, 2005, page C3)

Newsbytes are compiled by Glen Dewar, a consultant with Community Resource Connections of Toronto.



Carmen attended this event and prepared this report for our readers:

On April 6th, 2005, at Queen's Park, Premier Dalton McGuinty refused to meet with members of the Hands Off Campaign, who wanted to present him with a large amount of postcards signed by people who want to help end the "clawback" of the National Child Benefit Supplement (NCBS) on families on social assistance.

One poignant card from a 13-year-old boy named Robert said: "I am often left out on pizza and milk days at school. Please let us keep the money. It's supposed to be ours." The one loonie a week that you're (giving us) won't even buy milk and pizza at school."

After quoting from this postcard, MPP Howard Hampton posed McGuinty some hard questions:

"Low-income vulnerable families should be able to spend their money on food and clothing and paying the rent; they shouldn't have to go to court against a Premier who won't keep his promises. So, Premier, why are you wasting taxpayers' money dragging these lowest-income children and parents through the court? Shouldn't they be allowed to use the (\$226 a month) for food, clothing and to pay the rent?"

The campaign is still on so if you want to get involved, sign a postcard please visit: <http://www.handsoffnow.ca>



Hello everyone. I am Sue Clark from Ottawa. I am a psychiatric and electroshock therapy survivor. I have a new group called "**Antipsychiatry 'Shout Out'** Newsletter. You are welcome to join this group. The group URL is:

http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/antipsychiatry_newsletter/

just click this URL and then click 'join this group' on this page.
I will post the 'Shout Out' newsletter monthly. I need you to join my new group and I need your input for the newsletter on these subjects:

psychiatric abuses and oppression, electroshock therapy (ECT), ECT history, ECT adverse effects, ECT websites, ECT lawsuits, ECT survivor stories, psychiatric hospital abuse, shock doctors, lobotomy, psychiatric survivor movement, psychiatric survivor website, psychiatric survivor stories, antipsychiatry movement, history and websites, news articles re psychiatry, psychiatric rights groups, advocacy and self help groups, antipsychiatry books, reading lists and authors, antipsychiatry conferences, events, protests, meetings, news on any of the above, or you can add any issue about psychiatric oppression. The group has a chat where you can network with other people in the antipsychiatry movement. You can contact me at my email:sueclark2004@yahoo.com. Thank you.



On Sundays, 11:30am to 12 noon, tune in to "disRespect: Disability Awareness Radio" on CKLN 88.1fm. Direct from CFMU in Hamilton, Geoff Langhorne brings you interviews and insight on stigma, injustice and resistance in the lives of disabled people. Hear from people living with disabilities and their advocates, friends and families about the impact of funding cuts, discrimination, stereotypes in the media - and how they are organizing to build circles of inclusion and support.

On Sundays, 11:30am to 12 noon, to May 15.

CKLN can be heard in Toronto at 88.1fm, or via internet at www.ckln.fm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're Still Doing Taxes!



If you haven't done your income tax for 2004, or maybe even 2003, 2002 and beyond, call us. The C/S Info Centre's free income tax clinic for low income people is still operating. The guidelines set by Canada Customs and Revenue Agency are: income under \$20,000 with no dependents; or with dependents, income under \$25,000; no complicated returns i.e.: no self-employed people, no bankruptcies no rental income, no capital gains. Please call Carmen or Helen at the centre to arrange an appointment: 416 595-2882. We will be doing taxes right up until April 29 and we encourage you to make an appointment soon.

Ombudsman Ontario Update

André Marin was sworn-in Wednesday March 30, 2005 as Ontario's sixth Ombudsman by the Speaker of the Ontario Legislature, the Honourable Alvin Curling. Mr. Marin has served as Canada's first Ombudsman for the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces (DND/CF) for six-and-a-half years. During that time, he was responsible for the investigation of complaints from those serving in the Canadian military, he identified systemic issues and issued recommendations to ensure accountability, transparency and the integration of ethics into Canada's military.

Mr. Marin served as Director of the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) of the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General from 1996 to 1998. The SIU is an independent, civilian agency mandated to maintain public confidence in Ontario's police services by assuring police actions resulting in serious injury or death are subjected to rigorous, independent investigations. Responsible for overseeing the actions of Ontario police officers, he earned a reputation for conducting thorough independent investigations into highly sensitive matters.

"I believe the Ombudsman has the responsibility to influence and effect positive social change. My priority as Ontario's Ombudsman is to ensure that the rights of all Ontarians will be vigorously upheld and that the Ontario government will provide fair and accountable service," said Mr. Marin.

We will have an opportunity to meet and talk with André Marin when he hosts his first Community Open House on June 23, 2005 at the Ombudsman's Office at 125 Queens Park, across from the Royal Ontario Museum. Mr. Marin will present his Annual Report and will be available to answer questions.

The Ombudsman's office investigates complaints about provincial government organizations including Ministries, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, on a wide variety of issues including disability benefits, child support payments, workplace safety and insurance claims, student loans, drivers' license, OHIP and many others. Services are free and confidential. Further information is available on their website www.ombudsman.on.ca



This is an event posting for the Mood Disorders Association of Ontario

Stand Up For Mental Health Comedy Showcase

Stand Up For Mental Health teaches people with mental illness to take control by turning their problems into comedy!

Led by David Granirer, a counselor and a stand-up comic, Stand Up For Mental Health aims to reduce public stigma around mental illness and spread a message of hope and empowerment.

When: Wednesday May 4, 2005, 7:00 PM

Where: 40 Orchard View Blvd., Room 200

Seating is limited, Please call to reserve: (416) 486-8046. Admission is free.

The Leadership Project
presents a Mental Health Recovery Conference

PAT DEEGAN:
A Day on Recovery and its Practice

Pat Deegan is an activist in the American consumer/survivor/ex-patient movement, a PhD psychologist, and the world's foremost mental health recovery expert. She travels extensively giving keynote addresses, lectures, and workshops promoting a vision of hope, self-determination and human resilience to counter the problems/myths of chronicity, fatalism and helplessness. She has published 27 papers on topics related to recovery, empowerment and systems transformation. She has created an extraordinary body of knowledge and training modules for recovery-based competencies for mental health practitioners.



Pat will deliver two lectures and a workshop:

1. **Recovery: The Experience, The Evidence And The Practice**
(Morning Lecture)
2. **A 300 Year History Of Consumer/Survivor Advocacy**
or "*Resistance, Resilience And Recovery*" (Morning Lecture)
3. **A Recovery-Based Approach To Client Choice And Shared Decision-Making**
(Afternoon Workshop)

Pat has also co-directed an hour length documentary called '**Inside Outside: Building A Meaningful Life After The Hospital**'. The film is a work of hope, capturing the lives of eight people as they transition from long-term institutionalization to successful community living. (**Screening at Lunch Time**). For more information about Pat Deegan's work: www.patdeegan.com

Date And Time: Tuesday, May 10th, 2005
8:30 am Registration - 9:00 am Start - Conference ends 4:30 pm
Location: Metro Hall Council Chamber, 55 John Street

Conference Fees: \$ 100.00
(including lunch)

Note: There will be a \$ 25.00 Minimum charge or 'pay-what-you-can' provision for a limited number of consumer/survivors and family members, & a reduced rate of \$50.00 for a limited number of students

**The deadline for
Registration is April 29, 2005
Call before April 22nd 2005 if sign-language services are required.**

General information: Brian McKinnon, 416 - 285 - 7996, ex. 227 or bmckinnon@iprimus.ca

Note: There will also be a special event reserved for consumer/survivors to meet with Pat and discuss recovery. This event is free, and will be held Monday, May 9th, at Parkdale Activity - Recreation Centre, 1499 Queen St. W. 4:00 - 6:00 pm.

Registration: Licien Valverde at Alternatives, 416 - 285 - 7996, ex. 233

The Leadership Project includes:

Karyn Baker (Family Outreach and Response Program), Brian McKinnon (Alternatives), Leslie Morris (Community Resource Connections of Toronto), Terence Williams (Parkdale Activity & Recreation Centre - Action Group), Janet Bruch (Psychiatric Survivor Archives), and Heinz Klein (Survivor/'Crazy-at-large')

THE PRODUCTION WORKSHOP FESTIVAL

Creation from the ground-up at Toronto's Workman Theatre April 14-17, 2005

Featuring three new plays:

BOUNCE by John Margerim, Directed by Kim Nichols

AUGUST THE FIFTH by Mortimer Christie, Directed by Gregg Wade

READ MY HEAD by TK Workman, Directed by Heinz Klein

Since May 2004, members of the Workman Theatre have collaborated with professional Directors (Moynan King, David Oiye, Edward Roy, Ralph Small), Producers (Jim LeFrancois, Lisa Brown) and Stage Managers (Winston Morgan, Bill Jamieson) in all aspects of creation and production. This developmental project, dubbed THE PRODUCTION WORKSHOP FESTIVAL, culminates with the presentation of three raw theatrical explorations, that have been created and executed (written, directed, performed, produced, designed, stage managed) entirely by the Workman membership. Each of the new works is approximately one half-hour in length, and will be presented at The Joseph Workman Auditorium from Thursday April 14 through to Sunday April 17, 2005.

Since its bold launch in 1991, the Workman Theatre Project has become known for putting a human face on mental health issues. WTP connects people who receive services for mental health and addiction with the professional arts community.

Thurs April 14 - Sunday April 17, 2005

Shows begin 7pm Thurs-Sat, and 2pm Sun Workman Theatre, 1001 Queen St. W. Info line: 416-583-4606

Tickets: Pay-What-You-Can (\$8 suggested)

Tickets available in person, 1/2 hour prior to show-time.

Queen Street Patient Rounds This session open to all CAMH Clients

Room 160 Empowerment Council Office, 1001 QUEEN STREET

Monday April 18th 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Researching and Being Researched: Psychiatric Survivors as Objects of Study

Who's researching who? Are they doing it very well?

What do they know about consumers and survivors really?

"I'm doing a study on..." Here we go again! How will they use my words?

Patients doing their own research? Crazy but true!

Come hear MA student and former patient **Erick Fabris** speaking on his graduate experiences and the problems with research.

For more info call - 416 535 -8501 Ext 3013

Special Meeting

Attention:

CLIENTS, Psychiatric SURVIVORS, CONSUMERS of Queen Street

Of the **Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) 1001 Queen St. West**

THE EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL IS YOUR VOICE

IMPORTANT MEETING

Monday April 25th at 4:30PM

1001 Queen Street (Queen & Ossington)

Please call for Room Location: 416 535-8501 ext. 3013

We are talking about

- Bill of Client Rights
- Future non-smoking policy
- Up and coming focus groups

ALSO . . . It is time to choose your representatives on the Empowerment Council for the next year, and tell them what you want them to do.

Inclusion of an announcement is NOT an endorsement of the views of any organization or individual. The Consumer/Survivor Information Resource Centre of Toronto reserves the right to edit submissions

FREE AND LOW COST ACTIVITIES



Saturday, April 16th

Instrument Petting Zoo. Free. The Royal Conservatory of Music is giving us a chance to see and touch musical instruments in an interactive display and performance at Long and McQuade, Dufferin Mall, South of Bloor on Dufferin. 416 408-2824 x 321. Noon til 5 pm.

Loonie Sale. \$1. Books, dishes, mugs, clothing, etc. Some items are 2 for \$1. Glen Rhodes United Church, 1470 Gerrard Street East at Rhodes (near Coxwell). 10 am-2 pm.

Eastern Beaches Nature Walk. Free. Toronto Field Naturalists. Led by Boris Mather. Meet at the SW corner of Coxwell and Lakeshore Blvd East. Bring lunch. 10:30 am.

Sunday, April 17th

PhACS. Fitness for Consumer/Survivors. Free. Run or walk. Meet at Riverdale Perk, 633 Logan Avenue. They meet every Sunday. 416 604-6973. www.accentonability.org. 10 am.

Monday, April 18th

Toronto City Cycling Committee. Free. Meeting about the development and delivery of bicycle policies, programs and facilities, City Hall, Queen and Bay. 7 pm. www.toronto.ca/cycling/committee.

Tuesday, April 19th

Solar Water Heating Workshop. Free. East Toronto Climate Action Group. How solar heated water can provide energy for your home, with solar expert Steve Eng. For more information, call 416 686-9676. South Riverdale Community Health Centre, 955 Queen Street East (at Carlaw). 7 pm – 9 pm.

Wednesday, April 20th

Eatonville Snowbirds. Free. Film on New Zealand. Light refreshments provided. Eatonville Library, 430 Burnhamthorpe Rd. 2 pm.

Older Women's Network Book Discussion Group. Free. Today: *The Human Factor: Revolutionizing the way people live with technology*, by Kim Vicente. Northern District Library, 40 Orchard View Blvd, Room 224A. 2 - 4 pm.

PFLAG Meeting. Free. Parents, families and friends of lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgenders. St Clement's Anglican Church, 59 Briar Hill. 416 406-1727, www.pflag.ca. 7:30.

Thursday , April 21st

Steppin' Out Thursdays. Bata Shoe Museum. Free on Thursday evenings. Vintage jewellery and shoe jewellery featured. 416 979-7799 x 242. 327 Bloor Street West. 5 - 8 pm.

Coping with Anger and Addictions. Free. Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, 33 Russell Street, Room 2022. All are welcome. Light refreshments. For more info, call 416 535-8501 Debbie Stavropoulos x 4815 or Shira Green x 6683. 6 – 7 pm.

Tea and Books. Free. Join library staff and discuss new books or timely favourites. Light refreshments served. New Toronto Library, 110 Eleventh St. For more information call: 416 394-5350; or Elmbrook Park Library, 2 Elmbrook Crescent call 416 394-5290; or Forest Hill Library, 700 Eglinton Avenue West call 416 393-7706. All start at 2 pm.

Saturday, April 23rd

Mayor Miller's Community Clean-up. Pick any public space, gather your neighbours and clean. Register your location at 416 392-7899.

Sunday, April 24th

Rouge Valley Naturalists Nature Walk. Free. 10,000 Trees 16th Planting, (rain or shine), meet at Reesor Road, West side, between CN-CP. 1:30 pm.

Spring Sing for Habitat for Humanity. Free will offering-donation to Habitat for Humanity.
An evening of light hearted music and delectable desserts presented by the vocal and handbell choirs of Kew Beach Church, 140 Wineva Avenue, North of Queen. 7:30 pm.

Earth Day Planting Festival. Free. Downsview Park, Sheppard Avenue and Keele Street. 416 954-0544. Noon to 4 pm.

Monday, April 25th

New Toronto Book Discussion Club. Free. Join us and discuss a specific book at each monthly meeting. For more information about this program and to join call Anne Campbell at 416 394-5350. New Toronto Library, 110 Eleventh St. 6 pm.

Tuesday, April 26th

Active and Able Abilities Fair. Free. Displays and guest speakers about wellness, recreation, aging, disability, home and respite care, caregiver support, holistic and conventional practitioners. Refreshments & admission free. Door prizes. Birchmount Bluffs Neighbourhood Centre, 93 Birchmount Road (at Kingston Rd). Call David for info: 416 396-7606 11 am - 3 pm.

AuthorSeries 2005. Free. *From West to East*, showcasing established and emerging writers of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Miriam Toews, Winnipeg-based author and the winner of the 2004 Governor General's Literacy Award, reads from *A Complicated Kindness*. Elisabeth Harvor, Ottawa-based author, reads from *All Times Have Been Modern*. A question and answer period to follow the readings. Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St. 7 pm.

Wednesday, April 27th

Jazz Age Architecture. Free. Marta O'Brien gives a slide-illustrated talk on smooth and sophisticated Art Deco architecture in Toronto. Northern District Library, 40 Orchard View Blvd. 7:30 – 8:30 pm. Refreshments: 7:10 pm.

Thursday, April 28th

All About Apprenticeships. Free. Career counselor from YMCA will talk about opportunities and what it takes to become an apprentice. Albert Campbell Library, 496 Birchmount Road. Register in person or call 416 396-8890. 4 – 5:30 pm.

Book and Movie Combo. Free. Join us for a short talk about the book and watch the movie it inspired. Today: *House of Sand and Fog*. Barbara Frum Library, 20 Covington Rd. 1:30 – 4 pm.

Friday April 29th

Raj to Aaj Celebration of South Asia. Free. Music, dance and film from India to Sri Lanka, Nepal to Bangladesh. Royal Ontario Museum. 100 Queen's Park. Museum subway stop. 416 586-8000. 4:30 - 9:30 pm.

Critical Mass Ride. Free. Ride to celebrate and promote alternative transportation. Spadina and Bloor. 6 pm.

Saturday, April 30th

Queer Health Matters. A Health Fair for the LGBTTQ Communities. Free. Learn more about the LGBTTQ health issues and the community resources available to you. Presented by the Sherbourne Health Centre at 519 Church Street. For info, call 416 324-4177. 11 am – 4 pm.

The 9th Annual Fantastic Pulp Show and Sale. Merril Collection of Science Fiction, Speculation & Fantasy. Presented by the Friends of the Merril Collection, the event will feature exotic cover art of the science fiction and fantasy, crime, sports, and romance pulp magazines from the 1920s -1950s. Rare and collectable science fiction, original pulp art and other items of interest are also on display. Lillian H. Smith Library, 239 College Street. Admission: \$2. 10 am - 5 pm.

Haiku Deer Park. Free. A workshop for people interested in writing Haikus and other forms of poetry. For more information, call Ann Goldring at 905 640-4273. 1 pm – 4 pm.

Jobs Jobs Jobs Jobs Jobs Jobs Jobs

If you are interested in any of these positions and do not have access to the internet, just call the centre at 416 595-2882 and we'll be happy to assist in any way possible – reading the posting to you over the phone, mailing it to you if there's time, or making an appointment for you to come by and see it. Helen

Cook Part Time 20 Hours per week 3 pm – 7 pm Sunday through Thursday at \$14. per hour. Horizons for Youth. Position closes April 30. For more information, see the posting on Charity Village or visit <http://www.horizonsforyouth.org> .

Webmaster Full Time. \$38,000 to \$42,000. Osteoporosis Society of Canada. Position closes April 25, For more information, see posting on Charity Village or visit <http://www.osteoporosis.ca> .

Community Garden Assistants Part Time. 2 positions. The Stop Community Food Centre. Approximately 8 hours per week for 20 weeks starting in mid-May. \$10.90 per hour. The centre uses food and food access as a tool for community development. You need paid or volunteer experience working in a garden and ability to work with a diversity of people. Positions close April 29. Contact by mail only. See website for more info <http://www.stop103.org> . There's also a Full Time position for 16 weeks, with strict HRDC requirements—must be under 30, currently attending school and planning to return in the fall. Same pay scale, same application deadline.

ONTARIO COUNCIL OF ALTERNATIVE BUSINESSES

JOB POSTING

Position Title: Financial Administrator	Reports to: General Manager
Affiliation: CUPE, Local 4557	Salary: \$40,000.00 per annum

Deadline for Applications: 5:00 p.m. April 29, 2005

Ontario Council of Alternative Businesses (OCAB) is a provincial organization dedicated to the development of economic/employment opportunities for psychiatric consumer/survivors. OCAB utilizes Community Economic Development processes for developing Alternative Businesses across Ontario.

This position is being offered as a temporary F/T (or potentially P/T for the right candidate) for a minimum of 2 months with the possibility of extension.

The successful applicant will be responsible for all of the complete financial operating functions/duties related to OCAB and its individual businesses.

The successful candidate will have the full responsibility of all systems, daily operations as outlined below:

- Prepare and monitor operating budget(s)
- Maintains the whole set of computerized books for the agency (using NEW VIEWS)
- Produces monthly/quarterly financial statements, balance sheets and reports
- Liaison with financial institutions re: account administration
- Reconciles bank accounts and investments monthly
- Manages agency cash flow in accordance with funders guidelines
- Manages general ledgers, accounts receivable and payable
- Monitors revenues and payroll of several incubated alternative businesses
- Co-ordinates annual financial audit
- Prepares funding submissions and financial reports to Government funders, foundations and other funders in conjunction with the Executive Director
- Reconciles payroll government remittances (Tax, CPP & EI, PST & GST)
- Files annual returns to government departments in compliance with various legislation, including EHT return, WSIB return, GST/PST rebate applications or submissions, Form 1 (Directors & Officers update)
- Manages the insurance coverage for the agency's properties, business and board liabilities
- Attends Board & Funders meetings as required
- Acts as a resource to Board Finance Committee
- Assists with other duties as required
- Trains business leaders on budget implications, revenues and expenses, costs of sales & payroll preparation

Qualifications :

- Minimum five years directly related work experience
- Experience working with not-profit organizations
- Experience is a community based or similar organization
- Proficiency in computers, including New Views accounting system, Quattro Pro and Excel
- Strong organizational skills, flexibility and the ability to multi-task
- Strong ability to motivate others in learning business and financial practices
- Personal experience with being a recipient of mental health services is preferred**

Please e-mail applications to Ontario Council of Alternative Businesses at ocab@on.aibn.com

Sorry, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.