

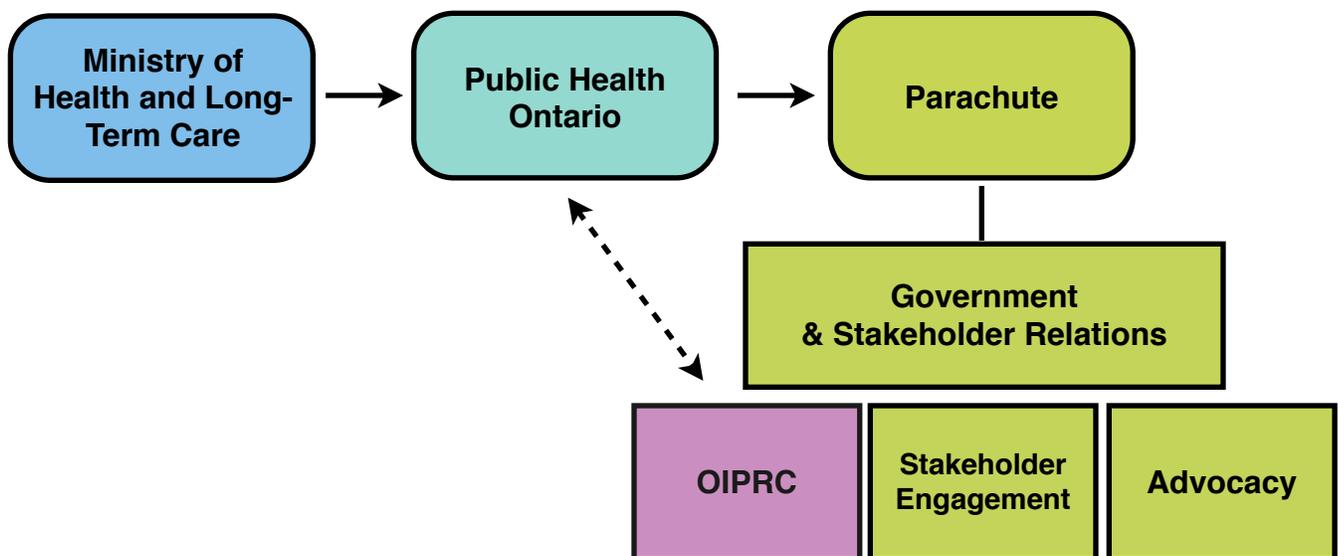
FAQ

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The Ontario Injury Prevention Resource Centre (OIPRC) is a resource centre of Public Health Ontario in the Health Promotion, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Department, and is housed at Parachute, a national, charitable organization dedicated to saving lives by preventing injuries. In the interest of ensuring our stakeholders have a clear understanding of our role, we have created a list of frequently asked questions. Please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Cowle, scowle@parachutecanada.org, for any additional clarification.

How can I describe the relationship between the OIPRC, Parachute, Public Health Ontario (PHO) and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC)?

The MOHLTC currently funds 11 health-related resource centres in Ontario. PHO receives funding to oversee the operation of four such resource centres. The OIPRC is one of those resource centres, in PHO's Health Promotion, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Department. The OIPRC is operated by Parachute. Thus, PHO provides funding to Parachute, who oversees the operation of the OIPRC. The Manager of the OIPRC reports to Parachute and to PHO. The following diagram depicts this relationship.



Where do you work, the OIPRC or Parachute?

We are all Parachute employees and our role is to operate the OIPRC. Three full-time staff plus the Northern Coordinator are employed by Parachute to carry out the majority of the OIPRC-related work. In addition, other Parachute staff members provide varying levels of part-time support in areas such as communications, IT, research and finance.

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What is the difference between OIPRC and Parachute?

The OIPRC and Parachute differ in terms of their mandates. Parachute is a national organization. In addition to providing evidence-informed programs on a national level, Parachute is also involved in advocacy efforts around injury prevention. Being national, Parachute has connections to injury prevention organizations located in various provinces throughout the country, such as the Alberta Centre for Injury Control & Research (ACICR) and the British Columbia Injury Research & Prevention Unit (BCIRPU).

The OIPRC, as part of Parachute, is focused on providing technical support, improving communication and building capacity among injury prevention practitioners in *Ontario*. Since the OIPRC is operated through Parachute, some projects are completed in collaboration and efforts are not duplicated.

Which organization is the OIPRC accountable to?

The OIPRC is part of Parachute and is operated by Parachute as a resource centre for the province of Ontario. Since the funding for the OIPRC comes from PHO, the OIPRC and Parachute are accountable to PHO. In all, PHO provides financial and strategic oversight of the OIPRC, through Parachute's Government and Stakeholder Relations department.

What about SMARTRISK?

SMARTRISK united with three other organizations (Safe Kids Canada, Safe Communities Canada and ThinkFirst Canada) to form Parachute. Prior to the amalgamation in July 2012, SMARTRISK played the role that Parachute now occupies.



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