



**BC Association
for Community Living**

Supporting people with developmental disabilities and their families

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Will this Budget help make BC the Best Place on Earth for children and youth with special needs, adults with developmental disabilities and their families?

New Westminster, BC - Representatives from the BC Association for Community Living (BCACL) will be present in Victoria at the Budget Lockup on February 19th in hopes of being reassured that government will respond to children and youth with special needs, adults with developmental disabilities and their families in crisis.

BCACL is counting on government to increase funding for:

- Children and youth with special needs waiting for access to critical early intervention therapies;
- Adults with developmental disabilities who are on waitlists for a range of community living supports;
- Families needing a range of services to support children and adults with developmental disabilities;
- Medical and dental benefits for people with developmental disabilities receiving disability income supports.

For more information about BCACL, go to www.bcacl.org.

Where: Victoria Conference Centre

When: 3:00 pm, February 19, 2008

Interviews with: Michael Prince, *BCACL Board Member, and Professor of Social Policy at University of Victoria*
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