

Overcoming our fears

Sometimes we worry that a politician will know more than we do. But when it comes to child care, your personal or professional experience means that you have likely thought far more about child care issues than most elected decision-makers have. We need you to share your stories, experiences and knowledge so that our elected leaders know how important this issue is to people in their communities.

Sometimes we fear that we are not articulate enough or that we'll freeze. But most people find that when they feel passionate about an issue it's surprisingly easy to talk about it once they get started.

We fear we won't be able to answer politicians' questions. That's okay. You're allowed to be unsure about some things. Just be honest and tell them that you'll get back to them, and then be sure to follow up. They'll appreciate your honesty, and sometimes information that comes after a meeting is easier to digest. This also gives you another opportunity for contact with the MPP's office.

