Deafblindness is a combination of hearing and vision loss that is unique to each person.

DeafBlind Ontario Services provides accessible residential and customized support services across the province

Over one percent of Canada’s population or approximately 466,420 people are deafblind.

Evidence suggests that the prevalence of deafblindness rises with increasing age in Canada and in Ontario. \*Stakeholder Consultation Report, Dr. Atul Jaiswal

In Ontario, an estimated 211,250 individuals are deafblind. \*Stakeholder Consultation Report, Dr. Atul Jaiswal

22% or 70,080 Ontario seniors in home care and long-term care reported experiencing vision and hearing loss combined every year over the past three years. \*Canadian Institute of Health Information

As a leader in the field, we are participating in research into this unique disability:

OUR RESEARCH

* Initiating Research
  + RESEARCH
  + As part of our 2015-2018 Strategic Plan, we initiated research into deafblindness.
* Facilitating Research
  + COLLABORATION
  + Research with universities, colleges, community partners, and networks on a national and international level.
* Coordinating Research
  + ENRICHING LIVES
  + Research evidence will enhance services for the people we support.

We strive to further work with people with deafblindness, stakeholders, and service providers, to generate public education and awareness. We will position Canadian research to encourage participation in national and international initiatives to make a difference in the quality of life and the quality of services for individuals with deafblindness.

Learn more at www.deafblindontario.com/about/research/