STATUS UPDATE ON LEGISLATED WEB REQUIREMENTS PRESENTATION TO THE YORK REGION ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Legislated Web and Web Content Requirements
- WCAG 2.0 Explained
- Current Website Compliance: Affiliated Sites
- Current Website Compliance: york.ca
- Work plan
- Next Steps

LEGISLATED WEB AND WEB CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

- All websites and web content must meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0, Level AA requirements by January 1, 2021
- Applies to public facing websites owned and managed by York Region and York Regional Police
- Do not apply to password protected or Intranet sites

WCAG 2.0 EXPLAINED

- 4 Principles
- 12 Guidelines
- 61 Success Criteria



WCAG 2.0 EXPLAINED

EXAMPLES OF LEVEL A:

- Text descriptions of images so users with vision disabilities can understand what the image represents
- Web content that can be changed to large print so a user can read the content with ease





York Region provides services to promote the health, well-being, safety and independence of individuals requiring care. Services such as adult day programs, client intervention and support, convalescent care, longterm care homes and the short stay respite programs are available to all residents. York Region is committed to the highest quality healthcare standards.



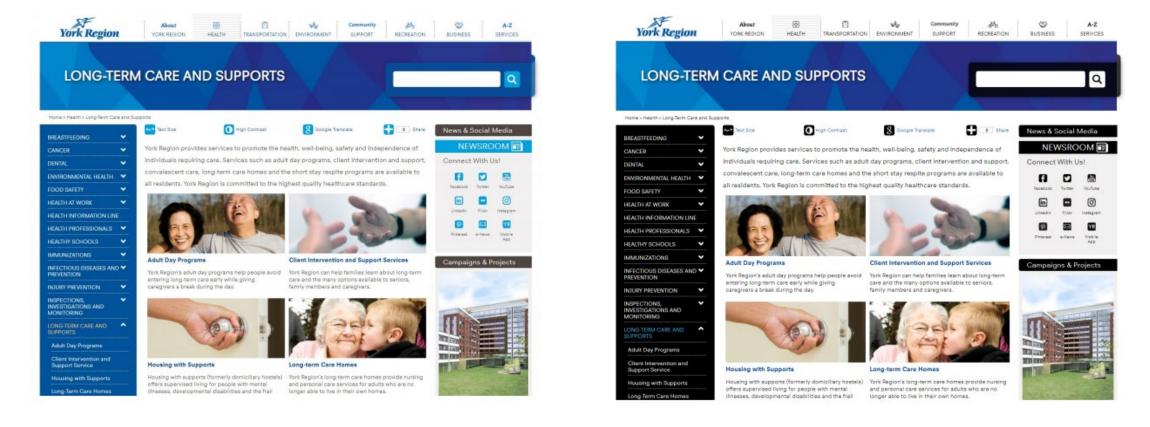
Adult Day Programs

York Region's adult day programs help people avoid entering long-term care early while giving caregivers a break during the day.

WCAG 2.0 EXPLAINED

EXAMPLES OF LEVEL AA:

- Headings and labels that help users navigate and find content with minimal barriers
- Color-contrast of 3:1 on navigational graphics to help users with vision disabilities



CURRENT WEBSITE COMPLIANCE: AFFILIATED SITES

yrp.ca *York Region Police* Level AA Compliant (99%)

yrpsb.ca *York Region Police Services Board* Level AAA Compliant (98%)

yorksmallbusiness.ca

Economic Development Level AA Compliant (86%) *Rebuilding Site for 2021 Deadline **yrt.ca** *York Region Transit* Level AAA Compliant (99%)

vivanext.ca

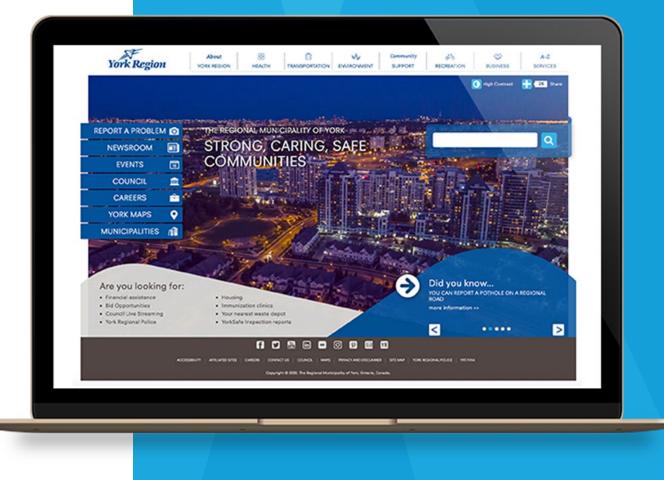
VivaNext Level AA Compliant (72%)

yorklink.ca

Economic Development Level AA Compliant (78%) *Rebuilding Site for 2021 Deadline

COMPLIANCE ON YORK.CA

- All content posted to york.ca meets Level AA
- Platform which hosts york.ca currently meets Level A



PROJECT IMPACTS FROM COVID-19



WORK PLAN TO LAUNCH THE NEW YORK.CA

Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q1 2021	Q2 2021	Q3 2021
Issue Request for Proposals	Vendor Evaluation Contract negotiations	Senior Management Approval	Consult with YRAAC	Launch of new york.ca

NEXT STEPS

- ✓ Meet and maintain compliance by January 1, 2021 and beyond for all affiliate websites
- ✓ Implement work plan for york.ca as identified
- ✓ Continue to maintain Level AA and strong, accessible user experience on york.ca until migration to new site
- ✓ Consult with and update York Region Accessibility Advisory Committee on progress and design
- ✓ Meet and maintain compliance by Q3 2021 and beyond for york.ca



THANK YOU

