## **Ontario Racing Program**

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## **News Release**

## **Ontario Racing Program IM Group to travel to tracks**

Georgian Downs first stop. Horsepeople encouraged to ask questions and provide input

Toronto ON – in an effort to continue its dialogue with members of the racing community, members of the Ontario Racing Program's Implementation and Monitoring (IM) Group will be traveling to tracks over the next weeks and months. Members of the IM Group will be available in the paddock area to meet horsepeople and answer questions about the Program.

The confirmed schedule to date is:

**Georgian Downs** Tuesday, Dec 6 – 6 pm

Western Fair Monday, Dec 19 – 1:30 pm

Other track meetings will take place early in the New Year. Confirmation and meeting schedules will be released at that time.

"Consultation with horsepeople has been our top priority since the inception of the Program," said Wendy Hoogeveen, speaking on behalf of the IM Group. "We have met numerous times with racetracks, horse people associations and individuals. Communication is key to understanding that the Ontario Racing Program is good for racing."

The mandate of the IM Group is to implement and monitor the elements of the Ontario Racing Program and to ensure the Program is flexible enough to change, where the need for change is demonstrated and determined to be warranted.

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