

**Epilepsy Ontario Supports National Call  
For Increased Public Education and Training**

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Epilepsy Ontario extends deepest sympathy to Michael MacIsaac's family. Mr. MacIsaac struggled with epilepsy, suffering seizures that would leave him frustrated and exhausted for days. Tragically he was shot and killed by Durham Regional Police when found confused running down the street.

Epilepsy affects 1 in 100 Canadians. It impacts people in different ways and the appearance of seizures varies greatly from person to person. While approximately 70% of people diagnosed with epilepsy are able to obtain seizure control through the use of anti-seizure medication, those who struggle with seizure management continue to face an uninformed public.

Epilepsy Ontario supports the Canadian Epilepsy Alliance – Alliance canadienne de l'Épilepsie (CEA-ACE) in calling for increased public education and training to better understand the condition of epilepsy and how to respond.

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