

Local student wins prestigious epilepsy scholarship June 8, 2012

Epilepsy Ontario is proud to announce that Barrie's Brooke Corner won an OBCL Epilepsy Scholarship on June 6 at the Toronto Cricket Skating and Curling Club. The 17-year-old honours student at Barrie North Collegiate has turned heads with her heart for sick kids. She has been accepted to Georgian College for Practical Nursing, pursuing her dream of becoming a nurse for children.

Corner said working with sick children at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre has given her a new outlook on life. "Whether [or not] you have a challenge in your life, it can still go on," she said, "You can still be happy."

Corner is one of eight recipients across Ontario to receive an award funded by Osler Business Consulting Ltd. Each applicant submitted a personal essay under the theme, "How Epilepsy has Shaped My Life." The OBCL Epilepsy Scholarship awards students who are transitioning from high school to college or university.

Epilepsy is the second most common neurological disorder after headache, and can develop at any age. One in 100 Canadians lives with epilepsy, including 1.4 million in Ontario.

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