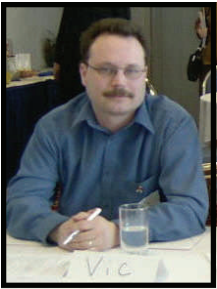


Vic Douse
Board Member, Autism Society Canada
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Vic is the parent of a 14 year old girl with autism and has a long history of involvement in autism causes at both the provincial and national levels. He is past-President of the Autism Society of PEI, and has served as that Society's membership representative and as appointee to the Board of Directors of Autism Society Canada since 2003.

As well as being a dedicated long-time supporter of his provincial society and ASC, Vic was one of four parties who brought a case before the PEI Human Rights Commission alleging discrimination by the provincial government in the use of income testing of parents of children receiving benefits from the PEI Disability Support Program. In July 2007, after a six year struggle, the Commission found in favour of the families. Subsequently, the province has eliminated discriminatory income testing.

Vic works as a computer programmer and brings a strong interest in ASD research and treatment to his volunteer commitments at ASC.