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## **Going for Gold! HIEC's Women as Career Coaches celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.**

Halton, ON – With the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi under way, the Halton Industry Education Council (HIEC) is thrilled to announce Olympic Gold Medalist Becky Kellar as the keynote speaker at this year's Women as Career Coaches (WACC) event on March 27<sup>th</sup>.

Originally from Hagersville, Becky was a member of the Canadian Women's Hockey Team from 1997-2010 and has attended 4 Olympic Games. After 16 years, 3 gold medals and 1 silver medal, she now skates for the Burlington Barricudas and works as a motivational speaker alongside former teammate Cheryl Pounder. At Women as Career Coaches, Becky will share insights on her journey to Olympic Gold and beyond.

WACC's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will take place on Thursday, March 27, 2014, at the Burlington Convention Centre from 5:15 to 9 p.m. Returning to the program this year is CP24 Anchor and *Breakfast* Co-Host Pooja Handa who will serve as the emcee for the evening and share her personal WACC mentorship story. This year's event will also showcase dynamic spotlight speakers from the community who will speak to the audience about their varied career and life experiences.

Community members are invited to register today to be a career coach (mentor), to share their career pathways, encourage positive self-esteem and inform female high school students about the opportunities available in the world of work.

For more information, or to register please visit [www.hiec.on.ca/wacc](http://www.hiec.on.ca/wacc) or contact Ali Fraser at [afraser@hiec.on.ca](mailto:afraser@hiec.on.ca) or (905) 634-2575 ext. 28.

### About HIEC

Established November 17, 1989, as a not-for-profit organization, HIEC is a joint venture among industry, education and community partners in the Halton Region. At HIEC, our goal is to enhance career education and inspire youth to make informed career decisions. To learn more please visit [www.hiec.on.ca](http://www.hiec.on.ca).

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