



*"I cannot imagine what the state of affairs might have been in Canada if Ben Goldberg hadn't been here." - Anne Stark*



Dr. Benjamin Goldberg, throughout his career, has treated children with autism, psychiatric problems, and developmental disabilities. He continues to treat patients after his retirement. His dedication to working with the mentally and developmentally disabled was instigated from an experience during his childhood. Dr. Goldberg's family is Jewish and lived in Poland prior to coming to Canada. His family lived in Poland during the Second World War and was exposed to Nazi rule. Because Dr Goldberg experienced the victimizing and extermination of mentally challenged people, he vowed to make a career of protecting them. Thus, his strong interest in the field of psychiatry.

From 1960-1965, Dr. Goldberg served as the first Chief of Psychiatry at the Child and Parent Resource Institute (CPRI) in London, Ontario. In 1970, the CPRI won the American Association Gold Award for its achievements and progress under Dr. Goldberg's leadership. He also did a lot of work at the Western University. For example, he was the founding director of the Developmental Disabilities Program and he taught residents and physicians new tactics to treat people with developmental disabilities. He served as a consultant for the United Nations Rehabilitation Directorate and received the Order of Ontario in 2003. For Dr. Goldberg, it is essential to "look for the inner humanity" in the mentally disabled.