

Children's Healthcare Canada Call for Nominees for the Board of Directors (2024)

Children's Healthcare Canada is a national, non-profit association representing more than 40 healthcare delivery organizations serving children and youth, including all 16 of Canada's children's hospitals, community hospitals, specialized rehabilitation and development centres, home care and palliative care agencies, and regional health authorities. Together, we share evidence, unite partners and advocate for the best quality of care to inform local improvements and drive system-wide change for Canada's 8 million kids.

Children's Healthcare Canada is governed by a volunteer board of directors, comprised of health system leaders from member organizations, as well as family partners. We embrace diversity and strive to achieve a board with broad geographical perspectives (including rural, remote, urban and far north regions). Given the focus of Children's Healthcare Canada on influencing and informing health systems serving children, directors are expected to hold a senior or executive leadership position within their institution, have previous governance experience and established networks across children's health.

At this time, Children's Healthcare Canada is accepting nominations for individuals interested in serving the Board of Directors.

We are looking for leaders with experience in the following areas:

- Community/regional hospitals
- Specialized Services for Children/Youth
 - Mental Health
 - Palliative care
 - Homecare
 - Respite care
 - Rehabilitation and child development

Board Terms

Directors will serve for a term of threes years, renewable once. Successful candidates will begin their term September 9, 2024, following election at the AGM.

Meeting Frequency

The Children's Healthcare Canada Board of Directors meets twice a year in person (Spring and Fall), in addition to up to three teleconferences (1.5 hours per call) per year.

Expectations of Board Members

All Board members are expected to:

- Enthusiastically represent the Association within the community and to external stakeholders;
- o Champion Children's Healthcare Canada within your own organization;



- Serve as an active member of committees, when approached (most Children's Healthcare Canada Board members serve at least one committee);
- Prepare in advance for decision making at board meetings; take responsibility for self-education on the major issues before the board;
- Participate in any board development and/or planning retreats;
- o In general, leverage personal and professional skills, relationships and knowledge to advance the mission and mandate of Children's Healthcare Canada;
- Support relationship building with key stakeholders, such as national health organizations and foundations;
- Attend board meetings in person and virtually. In person meetings can take place anywhere in Canada and directors (with the exception of the family partner) are expected to use institutional funding for travel related costs.

Application Process

Nominations are welcome until June 30, 2024. All candidates will receive correspondence from Children's Healthcare Canada acknowledging their application. Candidates will be reviewed and selected by the Children's Healthcare Canada Governance Committee. All candidates will be notified of decisions by August 22, 2024.

Please complete the attached application form and submit to Emily Gruenwoldt at egruenwoldt@childhealthcan.ca by June 30, 2024.