



CHEO-OCTC seeks volunteer to join its Board of Directors

The Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario - Ottawa Children's Treatment Centre (CHEO-OCTC), the leading provider of specialized pediatric health services in the region, is currently recruiting a community leader to join its Board of Directors. Ideal candidates will have a passion for CHEO-OCTC's mission to serve the children, youth and families of our community. Candidates will have previous governance experience, good knowledge of the health care environment and public policy, as well as familiarity with child and youth issues, and/or have already played active leadership roles in their community. **In particular, we are seeking individuals with strong financial expertise in the corporate, non-profit, or broader public sectors.** Applicants without financial experience will not be considered for this particular recruitment, however, we will keep applications on file for future opportunities.

CHEO-OCTC's Board consists of 18 board members – 12 members recruited from the broader community; 1 representative from the University of Ottawa; the Chair of the Board of the OCTC School Authority; and 4 ex-officio members. Approximately 20% of Board Directors are Francophones (speak French as their mother tongue).

The primary mandate of the Board is to ensure the organization fulfills its mission, to ensure compliance with relevant laws and regulations, to approve the organization's policies and to review its financial performance. The Board continues to play an integral oversight role related to the recent October 2016 amalgamation of these two previously independent organizations.

Candidates must be available to attend monthly Board meetings and at least one committee meeting per month, plus dedicate a few hours a month to read required documentation and attend other functions, as needed. They should be willing to represent CHEO- OCTC in the community and with decision makers, in order to help achieve the organization's long-term goals. Mandates are for three years, renewable twice.

If you are interested in joining CHEO-OCTC's Board during this period of exciting change and growth, please send your resume by e-mail to CHEO-OCTC's Governance Coordinator, Shannon Watson, at swatson@cheo.on.ca by **April 17, 2017**. You can also obtain more information by contacting Shannon at 613-737-7600 x.2388. Applicants should include a detailed letter of interest and a resume outlining relevant experience, qualifications and any other information they would like to highlight to the Selection Committee (i.e. languages spoken, previous involvement with CHEO or OCTC, involvement with community organizations, etc.).

A world-class pediatric health and research centre, for over 40 years CHEO has provided outstanding patient care, pioneered breakthrough research, and trained the health care professionals of tomorrow. CHEO is the pediatric health centre in Canada's capital, and is the second largest health care organization in the Champlain Local Health Integration Network. More than 2,700 nurses, doctors, researchers and other staff are dedicated to helping kids and families be their healthiest.

For more than 60 years, OCTC has been providing care for children and youth with disabilities, including cerebral palsy, complex needs associated with congenital conditions, developmental delay, autism spectrum disorders, and brain injury. Its multidisciplinary team includes developmental pediatricians, psychologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and speech therapists, to name a few, and provides more than 100,000 hours of direct service each year.