



# Canadian Healthcare Association Association canadienne des soins de santé

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## **CHA Board Meeting Highlights: June 4-5, 2011 for CHA Board Members and Member Organizations**

Canadian Healthcare Association (CHA) Board members met in Whistler, British Columbia on June 4-5, 2011 to discuss issues facing the Association and the health system, and to determine future directions. Highlights from this meeting are outlined below.

**ADVOCACY WATCH:** Members were provided with an overview of CHA's advocacy issues and the political scene (*Perspective on 17 York Street*) over the few months since the last meeting. A separate document with these highlights is circulated to members separately.

**PREVENTION/PROMOTION:** The Board approved a position statement on health promotion and disease/illness prevention. CHA will now proactively seek opportunities to advocate on this position statement.

**PHARMACARE:** The Board approved in principle a revised position on pharmacare. CHA staff will undertake an external review this summer, and present a final draft to the Board at its October, 2011 meeting.

**HEALTH SYSTEM FUNDING:** The Board considered a draft document which reviewed the 2004 10-Year Health Plan, and engaged in a discussion on CHA's positioning around the 2014 termination of this Plan.

**PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE:** The Board spent a day discussing strategic directions on June 5, 2011. The outcome was an accelerated timeframe for a draft strategic plan and proposed membership options, to be presented to the Board in October 2011. The Board Working Group will continue its oversight role with these issues.

**HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS:** The Board approved the honours and benefits for Honorary Life Membership in CHA, as well as an annual selection process. Potential candidates are being solicited from the Board for this membership category.

**ACCREDITATION CANADA – CHA REPRESENTATIVE:** Accreditation Canada has identified Mrs. Aldéa Landry as the candidate among our three nominees who best matches their needs at this time. Mrs. Landry has been advised and will attend their meetings going forward.

**NATIONAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (NHLC) MASTER AGREEMENT:** Both CHA's and CCHL's (Canadian College of Health Leaders) Board of Directors approved a revised master agreement between the two organizations for the National Health Leadership Conference (NHLC), continuing and enhancing this successful partnership.

**ANNUAL REPORT:** The 2010-2011 Annual Report was launched at CHA's Annual General Meeting and will soon be available on CHA's website.

**NEW CHAIR:** CHA's Board of Directors has elected Ms. Alice Downing, British Columbia, to assume the role of Chair. Ms. Downing has already served as Chair-Elect for one year and will now serve as Chair for a term of two years. Ms. Downing is currently Board Chair of the Health Employers Association of British Columbia and has

represented B.C. on the CHA Board for three years. She completes this role in June 2011, allowing her to take on the CHA Chair role, which is an independent, non-representative position. She is an independent management consultant providing specialized services in human resources, management and trust governance, and a Certified Human Resources Professional with extensive experience in the resource and service sectors as well as in public and not-for-profit sectors.

**NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR (CEO FORUM):** On the recommendation of the CEO Forum, CHA's Board of Directors has accepted Ms. Susan Antosh, Saskatchewan, as Chair of the Chief Executive Advisory Committee, and in that role appointed her *ex officio* to the CHA Board of Directors. .

**AWARD WINNERS:** CHA's Board is delighted to announce that Ms. Evelyn Shapiro has been posthumously honoured as the 2011 recipient of the Marion Stephenson Award, and Ms. Lucille Auffrey as the 2011 Award recipient for Distinguished Service. Both awards were presented during CHA's Annual General Meeting held June 5<sup>th</sup>.

**NEXT BOARD MEETINGS:**

October 27-28, 2011 – Ottawa, ON

February 23-24, 2012 – Ottawa, ON

June 2-3, 2012 – Halifax, Nova Scotia

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