



## Healthcare Workers Being Added to Community Engagement Committee

In response to feedback from the community, the Brant Community Healthcare System (BCHS) is inviting current or former healthcare sector workers to apply to become members of the Community Engagement Committee (CEC).

Four volunteer members with health sector experience will be selected, in addition to the eight who do not and the four other members to be appointed to the CEC (one each by the BCHS Volunteer Association Board, BCHS Foundation Board, City of Brantford Council and County of Brant Council). The addition of the four health sector members will bring the total number of CEC members to 16.

“We are making sure that while forming the Community Engagement Committee, we are listening to feedback from the community because it is important that we all work together,” said BCHS Supervisor, Bonnie Adamson.

Members will be appointed for at least a one-year term and the mandate of the Committee will be re-examined once a new hospital Board and permanent CEO are in place, which will likely be sometime in 2018.

This Committee will assist the Supervisor and interim CEO to understand the nature of the communities that BCHS serves and their specific health service needs. They will advise the Supervisor as to the best strategies to engage community leaders and community groups, provide community perspectives on current and emerging issues affecting BCHS, strengthen public voices in delivery of BCHS services, advise on health service community concerns and on how to continuously improve communication between the community and the BCHS.

Community Engagement Committee members must be able to attend up to six meetings within a 12-month period. Eight public members will be selected by the Supervisor after an application and interview process. Members must be at least 18 years of age, live in Brant County (including Paris or the City of Brantford), have a sound knowledge of their community and a strong interest in healthcare delivery. The Chair of the Community Engagement Committee will be selected by the Supervisor.

Members of the public with a healthcare background who wish to be considered should send a letter describing why they want to be a member of the BCHS Community Engagement Committee along with their employment history and/or CV to Ms. Bonnie Adamson, Supervisor, BCHS, by email to [communications@bchsys.org](mailto:communications@bchsys.org) or by regular mail to 200 Terrace Hill Street, Brantford, Ontario, N3R 1G9. All applications will be acknowledged. Some applicants will be interviewed in person as potential Committee members, and some of those interviewed will be offered a membership on this volunteer Committee. Please submit applications by Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.