



We are recruiting: Seeking Board Members

Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre is seeking to recruit 3 Board Members.

Deadline for applications: October 15, 2018

The Board of Directors is a volunteer community board that works from a hybrid policy-governance model. If you are interested in contributing to Parkdale Queen West CHC, and are interested in governance, this could be an opportunity for you!

Responsibilities of Board Members

- Attend monthly Board meetings on the last Tuesday of the month (9 meetings per year)
- Attend the Annual General Meeting (late September)
- Prepare for Board meetings by reviewing materials in advance
- Participate in committee work
- Ensure that the organization adheres to its mission, vision and values
- Review policies (and procedures, where appropriate)
- Monitor achievement of strategic goals
- Work collaboratively with the Executive Director

Benefits of Joining the Board

- Opportunity to contribute to Parkdale Queen West CHC's work
- Opportunity to learn about governance, including how policy governance works
- Building networks and connections
- Professional development

Eligibility

To be eligible to serve as Board Member, you must:

- Be 18 years old or older
- Be a member of the Centre (interested applicants may become a member at the time of recruitment)
- Have a commitment to the Centre's mission, vision and values
- Not be an staff of the Centre or the immediate family of a staff

Qualifications

The Board welcomes applications from people with a diverse set of skills and experiences. Currently, we are particularly interested in applicants with knowledge or skills related to:

- Harm Reduction, with emphasis on those with lived experience
- Health systems knowledge, including policy and advocacy
- Population Health and Health Equity

We are specifically also seeking to have youth representation on the Board of Directors.



Previous policy governance board experience is helpful, but not required. Knowledge of the Parkdale Queen West population community is required.

Access and Equity

The Board of Directors of Parkdale Queen West is committed to the principles of access and equity. In our efforts to be reflective of the communities we service, we strongly encourage individuals from equity-seeking groups to apply and to self-identify in terms of age, gender identity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status or class, Indigenous status, racial/ethnic identity, disability, experience of migration, resident or client status, religion/faith/spiritual belief, etc.

About Us

Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre is part of a network of community-governed primary health care organizations in Ontario. The network includes over 70 Community Health Centres that respond to the specific needs of our communities. Our approach is based on a shared Model of Health and Wellbeing that positions health as a state of complete physical, mental, social and spiritual well-being. This model acknowledges that health problems may be caused by social inequality and disadvantages that affect access to resources.

Parkdale Queen West's approach to community health encompasses all the factors that determine health, such as education, employment, income, social support, discrimination, environment and housing, among others. Parkdale Queen West CHC is accredited through the Canadian Centre for Accreditation. The Centre is a not-for-profit corporation and a registered charity.

Parkdale Queen West has been operating for almost 45 years, using an interdisciplinary integrated health care model. We provide primary care, counselling, health promotion, harm reduction, community development and advocacy supports. Our priority populations include youth and adults who are: homeless, living with mental health issues, living with substance use issues, Indigenous Peoples, seniors, immigrants and refugees. We offer services to people living in the area bordered by Bloor Street, Yonge Street, the lakeshore, and Parkside Drive. These boundaries do not apply for individuals who are homeless, Indigenous Peoples, or those accessing our dental or harm reduction services.

Vision

Inclusive Communities. Responsive Healthcare. Healthier Lives

Mission

Providing equitable, accessible, urban healthcare for people where, when, and how they need it.

Values

Client-centered



Community responsiveness
Social justice, equity, and access
Capacity building

**Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre
Board Member Application Form**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please confirm that you are (please check off all that apply)

- 18 years old or older
- A member of the Centre
- Committed to the mission, vision and values of Parkdale Queen West CHC
- Not be an staff of the Centre or the immediate family of a staff

How many years can you commit to? (Please select one)

- 2 year term
- 3 year term

Why are you interested in joining the Board of Directors at Parkdale Queen West CHC?

Do you have knowledge or skills related to the following (please select all that apply)

- Harm Reduction, with emphasis on those with lived experience



- Health systems knowledge, including policy and advocacy
- Population Health and Health Equity

Do you identify as youth? Y__ N__

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**Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre
Board Member Application Form (continued)**

Have you been part of a Board of Directors in the past?

Y__ If yes, please share the name of the organization: _____

N__

Do you identify with any equity-seeking groups? We encourage you to self-identify

Application Process:

Please complete the application, and submit it with a brief resume to

Beth Wierzbicki

Corporate Executive Assistant

In-person: Queen West site: 168 Bathurst Street, Toronto, ON, M5V 2R4

By fax: 416-703-7832

By email: Beth.Wierzbicki@pchc.on.ca

Have questions? You can contact the Board Chair until September 28, 2018

Anu Radha Verma

Board Chair

Phone: 416 993 4221

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

We would like to thank all interested candidates.

We will contact those we are able to invite for an interview

interviews will take place in early October 2018