

Southlake Community Ontario Health Team Patient, Client and Caregiver Partnership Council

Background:

The Southlake Community Ontario Health Team (OHT) was one of the first OHTs approved in Ontario. Our OHT is a partnership of a number of healthcare organizations who share both a rich history of collaboration and an exciting vision for the future of healthcare in our communities. Our OHT include primary care, community support service providers, homecare, paramedic services, long-term care, hospital and mental health and addictions organizations. Building on existing successful partnerships, the team has worked closely to plan and bring connected care to the communities we serve as an OHT.

For more details on the Southlake Community OHT please see our [website](#).

Overview of the role:

As a part of the Southlake Community Ontario Health Team, a seven-member Patient, Client and Caregiver Partnership Council (PCCPC) will be established. The Patient, Client and Caregiver Partnership Council will serve as the voice of patients, residents, clients, family members and caregivers through the implementation of the Southlake Community Ontario Health Team (OHT). For ease, these types of individuals will be referred to in this document and at the Council as “patients and caregivers”, to align with the Ministry of Health’s OHT guidance documents. It is expected that the selected representatives will represent the best interest of patients and caregivers within the Southlake Community OHT.

Level of commitment:

The PCCPC will have seven members including two Co-Chairs who will be elected at the first meeting. The committee will meet monthly for 2 hours and the Co-Chairs will also serve on the Joint Executive Steering Committee (JESC - the primary governing body of our OHT) and meets bi-weekly for 1.5 hours

All PCCPC members	One two-hour PCCPC meeting per month
Co-Chairs	The two-hour meeting per month above plus two 1.5 hour JESC meetings per month (for a total of five hours per month)

Note that meetings will be initially held virtually (via Microsoft Teams). As a result, members will require a computer or phone and an internet connection. If this presents a challenge, the OHT will work with the member to try and find a solution. Once the COVID-19 pandemic is over and public health restrictions have been rescinded, PCCPC meetings will likely shift to in-person (but we will also maintain the option for people who wish to join virtually)

Stipend:

Each PCCPC member will receive an annual stipend of \$2,000 for attending and preparing for PCCPC meetings. The two Co-Chairs will each receive an annual stipend of \$4,000 for attending and preparing for PCCPC and JESC meetings. This will be paid on a quarterly basis. This stipend is intended to remunerate members for their time commitment as well as any potential costs associated with eventual on-site monthly meetings such as parking costs.

Process and timelines for expression of interest:

The Southlake Community OHT is looking for passionate patient, family and caregivers partners who will come together to provide advice, guidance and the voice of the patient through implementation of our OHT.

Applicants should be a current patient, resident, client advisor or caregiver partner with one of the OHT partner organizations. Ideally, you should have lived experience/perspective associated with one or both of our first priority populations (mental health and addictions, older adults with complex needs). You cannot be an employee, clinician or Board member of one of the partner organizations (or an immediate family member of an employee/clinician/Board member).

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Patient, Client and Caregiver Partnership Council, please submit a [completed expression of interest form](#) by Friday March 5, 2021. Successful candidates will be contacted on March 8, 2021 to confirm participation. Our objective is for the first PCCPC meeting to be held in the week of March 15-19, 2021.

We encourage applications from all applicants, including members of groups with historical and/or current barriers to equity, including but not limited to, Indigenous, Black and racialized groups, people with disabilities, women and people from the LGBTQ2S community and any others who may contribute to the further diversification of our local healthcare community.

Thank you for your interest in the Southlake Community Ontario Health Team.