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TORONTO CENTRAL LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK

Listed below are bios of the new board members selected for the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). This completes the board of the Toronto Central LHIN.

Barbara Everett

Barbara Everett of Toronto works as an independent consultant for the federal government and national non-governmental organizations. She is currently cross-appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto. Everett has worked in both hospital and community mental health services in a variety of roles, including CEO of the Canadian Mental Health Association and as a social worker. Previously, Everett served on the board of Ontario Federation of Community Mental Health and Addiction Programs and was a member of the Ontario Health Providers Alliance. She is the author of two books and numerous articles. She holds a Master of Social Work and a Ph. D. in Sociology.

Bonnie Ewart

Bonnie Ewart of Toronto has over 30 years of experience in public service with the provincial and municipal governments. She was the assistant deputy minister, Ministry of Community and Social Services as well as commissioner of social and community services and acting chief administrative officer for the Regional Municipality of Halton. Ewart was chair of the Regional Commissioners of Social/Community Services of Ontario and a director of the Ontario Training and Adjustment Board. She was a founding member of the McMaster University Steering Committee and a member of the Health and Social Development Committee of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Canadian Council on Social Development and the Institute of Public Administration of Canada.

Michael O'Keefe

Michael O'Keefe has thirty-five years of experience in hospital management in teaching, community, psychiatric hospitals, and international health care. He was president and CEO of Interhealth Canada Ltd, CEO of the Workers Safety and Insurance Board, executive vice-president and COO of The Toronto Hospital, executive vice-president and COO of the Ottawa Civic Hospital, president and CEO of York Finch General Hospital, and was administrator of four Ontario psychiatric hospitals. O'Keefe was chair of the Toronto District Health Council, a board member of The Toronto Community Foundation and chair of the hospital sector for the Toronto United Way. He is an assistant professor at the University of Toronto and a member of the Canadian College of Health Service Executives. O'Keefe holds a Bachelor of Commerce from St. Mary's University and a Diploma in Hospital Administration from the University of Toronto.

In addition to those announced today, the existing board members are Penny Thomsen (chair), Daniel Sullivan (vice chair), Harley Nott, Rajula Atherton, Anthony Fell, and Nancy Martin.

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