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Introducing EHL Toronto!

Following our Blue Sky meeting in August, we have formed an executive committee and officially launched EHL Toronto. In this first edition of our newsletter please find out a bit more about who we are, what we want to do and learn about our launch event on March 17th!

Emerging Health Leaders (EHL) is a national peer network developed by new health professionals for new health professionals. Recognizing a gap in the marketplace, EHL was created to support the individual and collective needs of young health leaders. Founded in Ottawa, Ontario in 2006, EHL is now spans five Canadian cities (Vancouver, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal) and is linked with organizations such as the Canadian Health Leadership Network (CHLnet).

Who We Are

We are a peer network of individuals from all health sectors working together to achieve our leadership goals.

Our Vision

To help emerging health leaders navigate their leadership path and to enable effective health system leadership.

Our Mission

To provide opportunities to support the development of leadership capacity in emerging health leaders through:

- Peer networking
- Career development tools
- Mentorship
- Collaborative and constructive dialogue

Meet the EHL Executive

Alexandra Harris is currently the co-chair of EHL Toronto, as well as a student in the combined MN/MHSc (Admin) at the University of Toronto. She works as a Registered Nurse at the University Health Network and is involved in research at the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing. Alex has always been interested in promoting interprofessional collaboration and sees EHL as a key vehicle to fostering cross-disciplinary dialogue and, ultimately, help emerging leaders come together to help affect system change.



Sharon Vanin is Co-Chair of EHL Toronto. She is a graduate of Queen's University and Osgoode Hall Law School, and is completing the MHSc Health Administration program at the University of Toronto. She works as a Consultant at the Ontario Hospital Association. With combined interests in law and healthcare, Sharon is eager to provide opportunities for emerging leaders to carve out their own unique career paths within our ever-evolving healthcare system.

Anubha Prashad is the Events Coordinator of EHL. She recently graduated with an MBA from the DeGroote School of Business, McMaster University, and currently works as a Consultant for the Excellent Care for All Strategy, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Anubha is very excited to be part of a peer network aimed to build the next generation of health care professionals from all sectors of health care. As an events coordinator, she is keen on working with emerging health leaders to create events that cater to their needs and narrow the leadership development gap that currently exists in a rapidly growing city of 177 health service providers serving around 1.14 million Ontarians.

Erin Dragasevich is the Mentorship Coordinator for EHL. She currently works at PricewaterhouseCoopers, as a Senior Associate in their Health Care Consulting Practice. She has her Honours in Business Administration from the Ivey School of Business, and her Honours in Health Sciences from the University of Western Ontario. Erin feels that mentorship can greatly facilitate people's career paths, and is excited to help EHL members connect with mentors.

Dana Chmelnitsky is on the planning committee for EHL and has been involved since its inception in Toronto. She currently works as a Special Projects Manager with Patient Care Programs at Toronto

Rehabilitation Institute as well as has experience in healthcare consulting and the corporate sector. Dana holds an MBA from the Schulich School of Business at York University and a degree in Physical Therapy. Dana is very excited to contribute to the establishment of a new network that focuses on emerging leaders to foster their journey as a future leaders in the healthcar sector while leveraging her experience as a clinician, consultant and project manager in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

Renee Mahalanobis is the Communications Coordinator of EHL Toronto. Renee recently graduated with an MBA from the Schulich School of Business and currently works at CancerCare Ontario as a Business Analyst for the Access to Care Program. Renee is excited to provide a communications platform for emerging health leaders to connect and be an ambassador for the EHL Toronto chapter.



Join us at our Launch Event on Thursday March 17th, 2011

Understanding our Healthcare System: Essentials for Emerging Leaders

EHL Toronto is thrilled to have Dr. Joshua Tepper and Ms. Michelle DiEmanuele join us at our kick-off event. **Join us on Thursday March 17th between 5:30 and 7:30pm** for an engaging discussion and reception.

More details, including how to register, will be coming soon. Stay tuned!

Joshua Tepper

Dr. Tepper has recently been appointed as the Vice President, Education for Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. He has played several impressive roles as a leader in Ontario's healthcare scene. As an Assistant Deputy Minister, Dr. Tepper led the HealthForceOntario health human resources strategy and had reporting responsibility to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities as well to Premier McGuinty on the "Family Health Care for All" Health Results Table. He was a senior medical officer for Health Canada, has sat on the board of both the Canadian Medical Association and the Ontario Medical Association, and was president of both the Canadian Federation of Medical Students and the Provincial Association of Interns and Residents of Ontario. He has also worked with organization such as ICES and CIHI.

Dr. Tepper completed medical school at McMaster University and then rural family medicine training at the University of Toronto in 2000. He also completed his Masters of Public Health at Harvard University at 2005.

Michelle DiEmanuele

As President and Chief Executive Officer of the Credit Valley Hospital, Michelle provides leadership to a 366-bed community hospital delivering primary, secondary, and tertiary health care services to the nearly one million residents in Mississauga and the surrounding region.

Michelle's exceptional career has included senior leadership roles in banking, commercial real estate and in the public service, where she led the development of the first ever "Money Back Guarantee" for government services in North America. She has been recognized as one of Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women, Canada's Top 40 under 40, and Most Influential Top 40 under 40 in the Past Decade.

Sweden Study Tour - An Exciting Opportunity

May 1-6, 2011



The Canadian College of Health Leaders and Emerging Health Leaders are pleased to announce that ARAMARK Healthcare is once again sponsoring a deserving emerging health leader to participate in the upcoming Sweden Study Tour.

The study tour will bring together a small group of health care leaders in health services research, policy, administration, government and the corporate sector to explore current developments in health services policy and organization in the Swedish health systems. Don't miss out on this unique professional development opportunity!

Applications are due on February 28, 2011 at noon Eastern Time.

For more information, please visit www.emerginghealthleaders.ca and www.cchl-ccls.ca.

Know someone interested in joining EHL Toronto?

Please download the membership profile form [here](#) and email your completed profile to ehltoronto@gmail.com

