

Call for CAHH/ACSHS Advisory Council Nominees

At this year's Annual General Meeting we will be holding elections for positions on the inaugural CAHH/ACSHS Advisory Council. Duties for those on the council will include the following:

1. Advise the Executive in any matter when so requested by the Executive.
2. Raise issue(s) of concern based on their individual and collective view of the health humanities community to the Executive in a timely manner.
3. Support the Executive by taking on defined tasks as the Council and its members are able.

There are **five** positions currently available, intended to include representatives from the following:

1. Clinical professions (Nurse or Allied Health or Physician).
2. Clinical professions student or resident.
3. The arts and humanities including academics.
4. The public.
5. International health humanities representative (not required to have a permanent residence in Canada).

Positions will last for two years and elected members may run again at the end of their term for another two years. Of note, those elected will be joining our first CAHH/ACSHS advisory council. Which is of course great, but in order to ensure that we are not electing a whole council every two years, **for this election only** the positions of the **arts and humanities** representative and **international health humanities** representative will be for **three years**. In terms of amount of time commitment, we would expect elected Council members to attend the AGM each year during their term as well as to participate in around four council meetings per year, usually around 60-90 minutes' duration.

We are hopeful that members would be interested in putting forth nominees. People can be nominated to run in two ways:

1. CAHH/ACSHS members in good standing can nominate themselves and provide the name of another CAHH/ACSHS member acting as seconder.
2. CAHH/ACSHS members can nominate another CAHH/ACSHS member in good standing who have agreed to stand.

To be eligible to run, candidates must:

1. Confirm that her or his permanent residence is in Canada (*This is not a requirement for the International representative), that they are 18 years of age or older and is a CAHH/ACSHS member in good standing.
2. Provide a statement of interest and qualifications,
3. Describe any real or potential conflicts of interest, or conflicts of commitment,
4. Confirm that they will attend the AGM.

Nominees are asked to provide their institution's name, the position for which they are running, a statement of interest and their qualifications. We would ask for a 250-word limit. Nominees are asked to send this information to **cahhsecretary@cahh.ca** by **Friday, 5 April**.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us, again at **cahhsecretary@cahh.ca**.