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MARILYN EMERY TO LEAD WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Central East LHIN Board starts search for new CEO

AJAX – Foster Loucks, Board Chair of the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) announced today that Chief Executive Officer, Marilyn Emery has accepted the position of President and Chief Executive Officer at Women's College Hospital in Toronto.

"Marilyn has provided exemplary leadership to the Central East LHIN since taking on the CEO role in August 2005," said Loucks. "Her vision for the LHIN, and her expertise in overseeing its start-up, has ensured that the LHIN is well equipped to carry forward with its priorities and initiatives."

The Central East LHIN has worked with local health service providers and community residents to establish planning structures that will now guide the board in implementing action items contained in the LHIN's Integrated Health Service Plan (IHSP). Already hundreds of individuals and community organizations are involved in collaboratives and networks with the membership of five action-oriented Task Groups to be announced in mid-May.

"My decision to leave the Central East LHIN was not an easy one, and I consider it a tremendous experience to have worked with such a dedicated Board and staff," said Emery. "I feel certain that the Central East LHIN will have every success as it continues to work with its communities to build a stronger, more effective public health care system for residents of the Central East LHIN."

LHIN Board Chair, Foster Loucks, will work with Senior Directors Nizar Ladak and James Meloche as the CE LHIN moves forward with its IHSP work plan.

Ms. Emery continues as Central East LHIN's CEO until June 22, 2007 before assuming her new role on July 16th. A search for a new CEO for the CE LHIN will begin immediately.

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The Central East LHIN, which recently released its first Integrated Health Service Plan, is one of 14 not-for-profit organizations, created by the provincial government to be responsible for planning, integrating and funding local health services - hospitals, long term care facilities, community care access centres, community health centres, community support services and mental health and addictions agencies.

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