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Member Update: OMA Board Announcement

New CEO Allan O'Dette to drive OMA transformation

The OMA Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Mr. Allan O'Dette — a high profile, results-oriented leader — will drive the transformation of the OMA as our next Chief Executive Officer.

An accomplished executive with more than 30 years' experience in public, private, not-for-profit and volunteer sectors, Allan brings to the OMA a proven track record of success leading change and organizational renewal.

Allan led the revitalization of the 106-year-old Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) to become one of the most influential business membership organizations in Ontario. In doing so, he established the OCC as an influential thought leader and change agent, with an engaged membership and a sustainable financial foundation.

"Great things can happen when collective objectives align, and people believe in organizational purpose," said Mr. O'Dette.

Most recently, as Ontario's first Chief Investment Officer, he led the creation of a customer focused, cross functional enterprise generating billions of dollars in new attraction and retention investment to the province.

Allan is well versed in health system issues having served the past six years on the board of Markham Stouffville Hospital and several years as part of leadership Sinai. His career has included roles in marketing, sales, government relations, external relations and public affairs in the life sciences sector.

Allan is no stranger to the OMA — as Co-Chair of the Ontario Medical Student Bursary Fund Golf Tournament for five years he was instrumental in raising nearly \$1 million to support medical students in financial need.

"The Board is committed to make the OMA a fast-paced, nimble, member-centric organization," said OMA Board Chair Dr. Tim Nicholas. "We are particularly impressed by Mr. O'Dette's energy and focus on members. He clearly understands the need to ensure this organization represents physicians to its fullest."

Allan will assume his new role on November 1, 2018.

The Board wishes to thank retiring CEO Tom Magyarody for his leadership and commitment to the organization and members. Tom has played an integral role in advancing the Board's efforts to modernize the OMA and make the Association more accountable to members.

During his tenure, the OMA has taken critical steps to transform the organization, including a full governance refresh, an independent operational review, and a new implementation roadmap and strategic plan focused on delivering maximum value to members. Tom's influence on the organization will have a positive and lasting impact. Thank you Tom!

Dr. Tim Nicholas
Chair, OMA Board of Directors

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