



## **Great choice for Ontario's first-ever Patient Ombudsman**

December 11, 2015 – Home Care Ontario applauds the selection of Christine Elliott as the province's first-ever Patient Ombudsman. Ms. Elliott has had a successful career of serving Ontarians and a proven track record of advocacy for the vulnerable in society. She is admired by all stakeholders for her professionalism, compassion and integrity.

The role of the Patient Ombudsman will be to assist patients in resolving their concerns about the health care system and the care they receive. This dedicated attention to health will increase transparency and provide opportunity to help the sector to learn and evolve.

Members of Home Care Ontario look forward to working with Ms. Elliott in her new role to advance and improve the health care system in the province.

### **About Home Care Ontario**

Home Care Ontario, *the voice of home care in Ontario™*, is a member-based organization with a mandate to promote growth and development of the home care sector through advocacy, knowledge transfer, and member service. Home Care Ontario members include those engaged in and/or supportive of home-based health care. In Ontario, service provider organizations are responsible for providing nursing care, home support services, personal care, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, social work, dietetics, speech language therapy and medical equipment and supplies in the home to individuals of all ages. An estimated 58 million hours of publicly and privately purchased home care service is provided annually across the province.

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