



Interim Francophone Governance Named for the Timmins Francophone Community Health Centre

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Timmins ON, October 22, 2018 — The Nomination Committee is proud to announce they have reached another milestone in the creation of the Timmins Francophone Community Health Centre, with the announcement of the interim Board of Directors.

The Nomination Committee had the mandate of recruiting and selecting the interim Board of Directors for the Centre. During the past three months, members of the committee undertook the steps required to ensure the recruitment of individuals representative of the Francophone community of Timmins.

The eleven (11) administrators selected for the interim Board of Directors will play an important role in the creation of the Centre. They are: Denis Bélanger, Pierre Bélanger, Angèle Jean, Léon Laforest, Richard Loiselle, Gaétan Malette, Pascal Morin, Jean-Philippe Murray, Jean-Pierre Nadon, Dr. Yves Raymond and Chantal Riopel.

As stated by Sylvin Lacroix, President of the Nomination Committee, “We are very pleased to see that a Francophone Community Health Centre is currently becoming a reality. The Francophone community came together to select individuals dedicated to the improvement of health care services for Francophones. We have waited a long time for this and I’m sure that the interim Board of Directors will work hard to ensure the Community Health Centre responds to the needs of the Francophone community.”

Diane Quintas, Executive Director of the *Réseau du mieux-être francophone du Nord de l’Ontario* would like to congratulate the interim Board of Directors on their appointment. “The adoption of an innovative model allows for the Francophone Community Health Centre to be managed and governed by the Francophone community and to offer an integrated and coordinated approach to service delivery. The Centre will be well- positioned to enhance access to primary care services available to Francophones in Timmins .”

The next steps for the Francophone Community Health Centre includes its incorporation, hiring of an Executive Director, defining its strategic orientation, choosing a location for the Centre and defining its programming.

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