

## Haliburton Highlands Health Services

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## Carolyn Plummer Appointed President and Chief Executive Officer

The Board of Directors of Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation is pleased to announce the appointment of Carolyn Plummer, RN, MHSc as President and Chief Executive Officer. The appointment is effective immediately.

Ms. Plummer was originally hired as HHHS' Director of Patient Care and Chief Nursing Executive and had been serving as Interim President and CEO since December, 2015. Prior to joining HHHS, she was the nursing professional practice lead and corporate lead for practice-based innovation at University Health Network in Toronto, Canada. Over the course of her career, she has held clinical, leadership, and management positions in acute care, complex continuing care and long term care and also worked in private sector consulting in the areas of strategic planning, operations and practice.

This appointment follows the completion of a thorough search process, under the direction of a special committee of the Board, conducted over the past several months. In that process, the committee received and reviewed in excess of forty applications from a broad range of candidates.

Board Chair Dave Bonham stated, "we are confident that Carolyn is the best candidate and is well positioned to lead HHHS going forward to fulfill our strategic mandate and our vision for the future of health care in Haliburton County". He added, "her appointment as President and CEO was made with the unanimous approval of the Board".

Mr. Bonham also expressed the Board's appreciation for Ms. Plummer's hard work and dedication in serving as Interim President and CEO over the past seven months, noting that she had earned the confidence and respect of the Board as well as colleagues and staff over that period of time.

Carolyn Plummer stated "I am delighted to take on the role of President and CEO on a permanent basis, and I am looking forward to continuing to work collaboratively with the Board, all of the staff at HHHS, the Foundation and Auxiliaries, the community, and all of our partners to ensure we offer the best possible care and service for our community".

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