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## **South East LHIN Board of Directors announces new Board Member, Vice-Chair appointments**

### **NEWS**

Donna Segal, Chair of the South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Board of Directors, is pleased to announce the appointments of the South East LHIN's newest Board member – Ms. Annette Bergeron, as well as the Vice-Chair appointments of current Board Directors – Mr. Brian Smith and Mr. Chris Salt.

Appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council through the Public Appointments Secretariat of the Province of Ontario, Ms. Bergeron will serve a three-year term, which was effective March 1, 2017.

An engineering professional with 30 years' experience in business, education, entrepreneurship and health care, she specializes in executive leadership and governance of not-for-profit corporations, in both the private and public sectors.

Previously serving on the Kingston General Hospital (KGH) Board of Directors for nine years, Ms. Bergeron also served as Chairs of the KGH Governance Committee, as well as the hospital's Building Task Force, providing oversight for implementation of KGH's redevelopment project. She participated in the first phase of the Health Care Tomorrow – Hospital Services project, which allowed her to gain a better understanding of the South East LHIN's role in regional health care planning, further adding to her keen sense of health care from personal and professional perspectives.

Currently residing in Napanee, Ms. Bergeron runs Bergeron Consulting, a firm providing direction and insight on research and policy. She was also recognized by Women of Influence Inc. in 2013 and 2014 as a *Top 25 Women of Influence* across Canada

Ms. Bergeron attended her first Board meeting on March 27, 2017.

The Vice-Chair appointments, made by the Lieutenant Governor in Council and endorsed by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, the Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins, were effective for Mr. Salt on November 28, 2016, and for Mr. Smith on

March 1, 2017. Mr. Smith and Mr. Salt, both currently serving three year terms, have been members of the Board since January 5, 2015 and May 6, 2015, respectively.

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## **QUOTES**

“We are happy to welcome Ms. Bergeron to the South East LHIN Board of Directors. Her leadership and governance experience will be valuable assets as we build an even stronger Board, and continue moving forward with the work being done to improve the health care system. We are also delighted about the Vice-Chair appointments of Mr. Salt and Mr. Smith, whose dedication, efforts and commitment as Directors have always been well-respected and appreciated.”

- *Donna Segal, South East LHIN Board Chair*

## **Quick Facts**

- The recent appointment of the newest Director brings the South East LHIN board to a total of nine members.
- The role of the LHIN Board of Directors is to oversee, provide advice on and govern the strategic direction and priorities of the LHIN. Board members are appointed by an Order-in-Council for a term of one to three years, subject to additional terms up to a six-year maximum.
- Board members are appointed based on their expertise, experience, leadership skills and the needs of the LHIN. The Board of Directors is accountable, through the Chair, to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care for the LHIN’s use of public funds and for its performance results in the local health system.

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