
Call for Applications to the Parkinson Canada Board of Directors (three-year term)

The Governance & Nominating Committee is calling for candidates for the Parkinson Canada Board of Directors. There are two (2) vacancies to be filled for this year. All Directors will be elected for a three (3) year term (2017 – 2020).

Our Mission:

Parkinson Canada's mission is to transform the lives of People Living with Parkinson's through: **RESEARCH** leading to the end of Parkinson's, **ADVOCACY** bringing the voices of Parkinson's to the forefront and **SUPPORT** helping people living with Parkinson's live well through education and services.

What We Need:

Parkinson Canada is looking for leadership volunteers across Canada who demonstrate excellence in their field of expertise and who possess a strong mix of leadership skills, care, and vision critical to due diligence and good governance. Emphasis will be on recruitment of candidates who have the time and experience to make a significant impact on the long-term performance of Parkinson Canada.

Diversity Policy:

In keeping with its organizational values and guiding principles, Parkinson Canada is committed to social justice, anti-discriminatory practices, and diversity. By recognizing and respecting human differences and similarities, Parkinson Canada will make every effort to ensure its volunteers and employees are representative and reflective of the communities across Canada.

The Governance & Nominating Committee has reviewed the current Board composition and has determined the following skills are required for the 2017-2020 term:

- Legal expertise
- Business Development/Fundraising
- Marketing

The following attributes will also be considered:

- Big picture thinker - visionary and strategic
- Passion and commitment for Parkinson's
- Credible: a strong reputation that inspires respect
- Consensus Builder
- Motivator: ability to influence stakeholders and investors
- Bridge Builder: demonstrated ability to network and make connections
- Engagement: time and energy to participate in Board meetings, discussions and work
- Prior Pan-Canadian Board experience
- Professional development and training in Governance (preference for policy governance)
- Diversity (i.e., languages spoken, age, gender, visible minority, etc.)
- A willingness to participate in and support Parkinson Canada fundraising activities Philanthropic leadership through a personal financial commitment to Parkinson Canada



Time Commitment:

- A minimum of three week-end Board meetings per year (travel may be required)
- 1-2 teleconference Board meetings; and
- Participation on a minimum of one Board committee

Selection Process:

- All applicants must submit a completed Board Director application and resume. Selected applicants will be contacted by the Governance and Nominating Committee to arrange an interview.
- All other applicants will be informed about the outcome of the selection process by May 8, 2017.
- Elections for the Board of Directors will take place at the Parkinson Canada Annual General Meeting of Members on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 in Toronto, Ontario.

The closing date for applications will be April 5, 2017

Interested parties can access the Board Director Application Form and Director Position Description [here](#) online.

Please send your completed application form and resume by mail, fax, or e-mail to:

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If you have any questions regarding the criteria for nominations, please call Joyce Gordon, CEO, at (416) 227-3379.