

PARTNERS COMMUNITY HEALTH

BACKGROUND

PRESIDENT & CEO



Tess Romain

Tess is an experienced leader in the Ontario health care system focused on improving outcomes for patients and communities through local and system-level transformation. She is currently the Transitional Regional Lead for Ontario Health (Toronto) and CEO of the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). Tess joined the Toronto Central LHIN in 2015 and has led portfolios in communications, strategy, integration, and planning. As well, Tess played a key role in the integration of Toronto Central Community Care Access Centre with the Toronto Central LHIN in 2017 and led the integrated Home & Community Care program at the LHIN through transformational change before taking on the role of CEO.

During her time at Toronto Central, Tess led the development of Local Collaboratives to support local integrated health system delivery networks which was the foundation of Ontario Health Teams. As well, Tess championed an equity focus with the launch of a Toronto Region Anti-Racism Framework.

Tess has led the COVID-19 response in Toronto Region over the last 16 months in collaboration with health and non-health partners across the health system. This response included the launch of the GTA Incident Management Structure (IMS), and innovative models of service delivery to monitor and respond to local needs including a focus on high-priority communities.

Before joining the LHIN, Tess was the Director of Strategy Management and Governance at Joseph Brant Hospital. She has also served in senior-level positions for the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, and Public Infrastructure Renewal in Ontario. Tess is dedicated to patient-centred, equitable access to health care through partnership and collaboration across health care and beyond to improve the outcomes and experience for those we serve.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

New Appointments – JUNE 2021



Jeff Lozon

Jeffrey Lozon is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Lozon and Associates Inc., an independent advisory firm providing strategic counsel to the health and seniors industries across North America.

An experienced corporate director, Mr. Lozon currently holds the role of Chair of Sunrise Senior Living, North America's preeminent seniors care provider. He is also Chair of Medical Facilities Corporation, a Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) listed company. From 2014-2019 he was Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Voalte Inc. a privately held mobile communications company.

Considered one of Canada's most respected health leaders, Mr. Lozon brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to his current roles. From 2009 – 2014, he was President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Revera Inc., a leading provider of senior care and accommodations with more than 30,000 employees and over 250 sites across North America.

Prior to this, Mr. Lozon held executive leadership roles in many of Canada's greatest academic health sciences centres, including 17 years as President and Chief Executive Officer of Saint Michael's Hospital.

Mr. Lozon was seconded to serve as Deputy Minister of Health and Long Term Care for the Province of Ontario from 1999 - 2000, providing overall leadership to the largest health system in Canada. From 2000-2008 he served as the inaugural Vice Chair of Canada Health Infoway, Canada's national health information agency. In 2007, he was appointed by the Prime Minister as Chair, to provide executive leadership and create the board of directors for the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer, the first national suite of cancer control programs in Canada.

In 2009, he was privileged to be appointed a Member of the Order of Canada for his innovative and sustained leadership in health care management and for advancing care for the most vulnerable patient populations, most notably at Saint Michael's Hospital.



Anita Stellinga

Anita Stellinga is an accomplished not for profit professional with over 25 years of experience in the sector with a focus on strategy development, non-profit management, governance, public policy and stakeholder engagement.

Anita has enjoyed a progressive career with United Way since joining the organization in 1995. Currently she holds the roles of Chief of Staff, and Corporate Secretary at United Way Greater Toronto. In 2017, Anita was appointed the Interim President and CEO of United Way of Peel Region, during which time she led the organization through a successful merger with United Way Toronto and York Region in partnership with a talented team of staff, board members and volunteers dedicated to improving the quality of life of individuals and families in Peel Region. Prior to this, Anita was the Vice President, Community Investments and in this role, she led the development of progressive investment strategies focused on poverty reduction, equity and inclusion, government relations, multi-sectoral partnerships and evaluation.

Before joining United Way, Anita was a member of the management team of Poly-Cultural Immigrant & Community Services where she had responsibility for community-based programming, settlement and language instruction programs, and supports for newcomer and immigrant families. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from the University of Toronto at Mississauga. Anita has a rich bi-racial background of Polish and South Asian heritage and is fluent in Polish and Hindi. She lives in Milton with her husband Robbert and two children.



Louise Smith

Louise Smith is a health care professional with 35 years of leadership, project management and strong interprofessional team experience. A graduate of McMaster University School of Nursing, she was one of the original directors of Credit Valley Hospital establishing and developing Quality and Risk Management.

During the start-up phase, she became the Executive Director of the Credit Valley Family Health Team and Family Medicine Teaching Unit. Louise has had multiple board and consulting roles including Heart House Hospice, CarePoint Health and providing consultation to the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council (HPRAC).

Louise has received awards from the University of Toronto Department of Family & Community Medicine for Excellence in Leadership and from the Association of Family Health Teams of Ontario for Advances in Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Management. Louise is a Francophone member of the community.



Karen Wensley

Karen Wensley is a private consultant, providing HR related services including executive coaching. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Gore Mutual Insurance, where she chairs the Audit and Risk Committee, and Amref Health Canada.

Before her retirement, Karen was a Partner at Ernst & Young with overall responsibility for the HR functions of Ernst & Young Canada, and previously as a tax partner, specializing in the health care, biotechnology and IT industries. Her clients included several major research hospitals, and she also worked with the Boards of Directors and Audit Committees of her large public company clients.

Following her retirement, she was a lecturer on Business Ethics at the University of Waterloo, and a volunteer mentor with the Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council. She is a frequent speaker on business ethics, diversity and inclusion, and personal branding.

Karen has served on the Board of several organizations, including Trillium Health Partners, the Information Technology Association of Canada, and the Association for Bright Children.



Stephanie Joyce

Stephanie Joyce is the Senior Vice President of Patient Care Services and Health System Integration at Trillium Health Partners (THP) where she is responsible for Mental Health, Seniors Services, Palliative Care, Rehabilitation, Primary Care, Complex Continuing Care and other post-acute services, and is actively leading several integrated care initiatives. She also serves as THP's clinical lead for health service partnerships and development, which has helped to secure new long-term care beds, a seniors' care centre, access to rehabilitation and transitional beds, and dedicated units at the Reactivation Care Centre in partnership with Humber River Hospital.

As an experienced operational and strategic leader, Stephanie has made contributions to health care systems in Ontario and British Columbia. Prior to joining THP in 2015, she spent nearly 10 years with the Vancouver Island Health Authority in Victoria, BC where she held leadership roles including being the Director of Victoria General Hospital. She has also practiced as an Occupational Therapist in Ontario, Alberta and BC.

Stephanie holds Bachelor degrees in Arts and Science and Occupational Therapy from McMaster University and a Masters in Health Policy and Management from the University of Alberta.



Scott Jarrett

Scott Jarrett is a recent addition to Trillium Health Partners (THP) as Executive Vice President and Chief Administration Officer. He comes to THP with over 13 years' experience at Humber River Hospital where he held the position of Executive Vice President and Chief of Clinical Programs.

Throughout his tenure at Humber, Scott led and influenced several key change management initiatives. Most recently, he was been involved in the redevelopment of the Reactivation Care Centres, the developments for a new nursing home, research centre, and future new hospital. Additionally, Scott had leadership accountability for the Ontario Health Team, diversity and inclusion initiatives, as well as the achievement of Humber River Hospital's PCOP targets, resulting in funding/volume optimization.

Prior to that he spent over 14 years working in a number of health care organizations in Ontario. A professional and dynamic individual with strong analytical, financial planning and evaluation skills, Scott has accomplished many change initiatives within these organizations acting as role model in empowering staff decision-making and team cooperation. Scott is an outcome focused leader with a commitment to clinical excellence and a successful track record of leading change and innovation.

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