



Our Mission at Catholic Health International is to ensure the presence of Catholic values in our corporations.

MISSIONING CEREMONY

Following your annual general meeting and the appointment of new Directors or Trustees to your Board, is an ideal time to conduct a missioning ceremony for these new Board members, to commit themselves to their position of governance and leadership. It is also a wonderful opportunity for existing Directors or Trustees and members of your senior staff to reconfirm their commitment to continue the healing mission of Jesus within their community of care.

A Missioning Ceremony or Service can be conducted in your chapel. It gives all participants a wonderful feeling of belonging to, and sharing in the mission, as they strive to make visible in their lives and in their leadership, the core values of your facility and that of the founding congregation.

Samples of Missioning Ceremonies are available from our office.

INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Staff, patients and visitors took the opportunity to visit the Chapel at Hôtel-Dieu Grace Hospital in Windsor, ON when the hospital had the rare privilege of hosting this world-famous blessed statue. Private prayers and a communal reciting of the Rosary preceded a Mass celebrated by Father Chris Bourdeau who jumped at the opportunity to have it come to the hospital community when he heard it was coming to the London Diocese.

"The statue is a reminder to us of Heaven's love and of Our Blessed Mother's loving concern for all of the children of God," said Father Chris.

Sculpted in 1947 by world-renowned artist Jose Thedim the statue has travelled to over 100 countries bringing Our Lady of Fatima's message of hope and salvation to people the world over.



INNOVATION IN OPHTHALMOLOGY—Teaching Students the YouTube way

On May 4th 2012, retinal specialist Dr. Sanjay Sharma from Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston ON received an achievement award from the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) for his success in tapping the power of technology to teach medical students how to diagnose and treat eye conditions. Research evaluating its effectiveness was published this month in the *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology* demonstrating that medical students learning how to diagnose and treat acute visual loss through watching video content, performed better than students who learned the material through traditional methods, and in a quarter of the time! Good news for time-crunched medical students. For more information see: www.catholichealthpartners.com

CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS ALUMNI

When the Alumni Working Group met recently, they approved appointments for an interim executive until the Annual Meeting in October 2012. Officers are:
David Levangie – Chair
Eileen Bowes – Secretary
Maria Gionnatti – Ontario Region Representative
Bob Fietsch – US Region Representative
Rick Atkinson – Atlantic Region Representative

Graduates from Catholic Leadership programs are presented with a certificate upon completion of their course by Catholic Health International.

Pictured below receiving their certificate from Sister Sarah Maillet RHSJ, Chair of Catholic Health International, are (L) Charles Holland Vice President-Planning & Development and (R) Roland Abellera, Vice President-Quality & Corporate Compliance from St. Bernard Hospital, recently in Montreal at the Leadership Council—Central meeting. They completed the two year Ministerial Leadership Preparation Program at the Francis Cardinal George Center for Ministerial Development in Chicago. **Congratulations!**



2013 JOINT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL— PLENARY SESSION

Held every two years, this conference includes the CEO/ Executive Director/Facility Manager and Board Chair from each of our sponsored facilities. Scheduled for the 4th and 5th of April 2013, at the Fairmont—Queen Elizabeth in Montreal, speakers include:

- + Sister Elizabeth Davis, RSM, Congregational Leader, Sisters of Mercy, St. John's, NL
- + Sister Mary Haddad, RSM, Sister of Mercy of the South Central Community, Director of Sponsor Services at CHAUS
- + Rev. Francis Morrissey, Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Professor of canon law

The theme of this Session will be centered around "Innovation, Integration, Change vs Catholic Identity."

SCHOLARSHIPS IN HEALTHCARE—CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF NEW BRUNSWICK (CHANB)

Each year CHANB awards two (2) Scholarships in the amount of \$ 500.00 for up to one year to one (1) student studying in an English educational institution and to one (1) student studying in a French educational institution. This award is renewable.

Eligibility:

An application may be completed if the student in question:

- Is a resident of New Brunswick.
- Plans to register as a full-time student in September at a recognized post-secondary institution.
- Must be entering their second or later year of post-secondary education.
- Is planning on pursuing a career in Healthcare.

For questions about the scholarship program guidelines, how to apply, and the review process contact the Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick at (506) 778-5302, Fax at (506) 778-5303 or Email nbcha@nb.aibn.com

Please visit www.chanb.com for the application and guidelines. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 15th, 2012**

CATHOLIC HEALTH ALLIANCE OF CANADA (CHAC)

At the 2012 CHAC National Conference held in St. John's, Newfoundland in May, there were two new National awards that have replaced the previous annual Performance Citation Award.



The **Lifetime Achievement Award** was given to Brother Tom Maddix, CSC. For more than 22 years Brother Tom has provided exceptional leadership in championing Catholic health care at the provincial and national levels.

Throughout his career Tom has maintained an uncompromising and dedicated focus on mission integration, ethical reflection and leadership development within Catholic health organizations.

The **Midcareer Leadership Award** is given to young leaders who have already made a significant contribution to the ministry and who, through their actions, have provided strong leadership and vision in Catholic health care.

This year's recipient is Mr. Corey Miller, who has been associated with St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon and the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan for several years.



To read the entire Press Release from CHAC please see our web site at www.catholichealthpartners.com

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FOR-PROFIT CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE:

Brighton, Mass based **Caritas Christi Health Care**, now named Steward Health Care System, became a for-profit company after being purchased by a private investment firm. The system's six hospitals continue to be recognized as Catholic facilities by Boston's Cardinal.

Ascension Health, the largest Catholic and the largest not-for profit healthcare system in the United States has partnered with an equity firm to create Ascension Health Care Network, "an acquisitive, equity-based, for-profit Catholic health care system, which will grow through acquisition of struggling non-profit Catholic health care facilities and networks, offering them much-needed capital and the ability to retain their Catholic identity and sponsorship while converting them to for-profit entities."

Catholic Healthcare West has reorganized its governance structure and changed its name to Dignity Health. Under the new governance model the San Francisco-based company is no longer an official ministry of the Catholic Church. The company, which operates 40 hospitals in three states, announced its intent to build a national health care system rooted in the Catholic tradition with both Catholic and other-than-Catholic components and partnerships.

These changes from not-for profit to for-profit hospitals, raise many questions and issues surrounding mission and community benefit, ethical directives and their not for-profit tax exempt status.

CHA US is trying to determine how to deal with these entities as part of their ministry community going forward, as one of the criteria for membership is **not for profit** status. CHA US has established a task force to look at this issue, and to decide whether or not to change their by-laws in order to allow these for-profit entities to remain members. The May /June Health Progress Magazine from CHA US delves more deeply into this issue and can be viewed in its entirety at www.catholichealthpartners.com

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CHI Board and Corporation meetings for 2012:

June 13 (ON facilities Annual Members meetings)
June 20, 21, 22, Sept 12, November 7, December 12

Catholic Healthcare Leadership Program (English)

Module 3—May 31 & June 1, 2012

Providence Spirituality Centre

Kingston, ON

Catholic Health Association of the US

Catholic Health Assembly

June 3 - 5, 2012

Philadelphia, PA—Philadelphia Marriot Downtown

Joint Leadership Council—Central & Atlantic:

September 20 & 21, 2012

Hosted by St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre

NAV Centre—Cornwall, ON

CHI Alumni Association

(graduates of Catholic Healthcare Leadership Programs)

October 3, 2012—Rodd Inn, Miramichi, NB

Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick

October 4 & 5, 2012—Rodd Inn, Miramichi, NB

Catholic Healthcare Leadership Program (French)

Module 2: October 17—19, 2012

RHSJ Regional House in Bathurst NB

CHI Joint Leadership Council—Plenary Session:

April 4 & 5 2013 Fairmont—Queen Elizabeth Montreal