

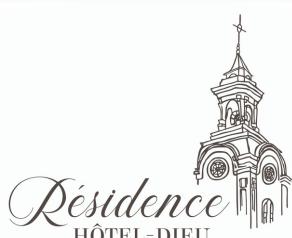
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## MANON SOUCY IS THE WOMAN MANAGER OF THE YEAR

The Executive Director of the Résidence Hôtel-Dieu in Saint-Basile, Manon Soucy, is the recipient of the “Jo-Anne Volpé” woman manager award. This title is awarded each year by the Madawaska Women in Business Exchange Network (Refam). The Madawaska Women in Business Exchange Network held its award ceremony on June 16th at the New Brunswick Botanical Garden. In front of members and guests, Ms. Soucy accepted the award, which she earned through her approach and professional dedication.

Over the past eight years, the Executive Director has managed an average of 51 employees who are responsible for providing care to 33 residents in their memory loss and special care beds as well as 55 independent residents.

Ms. Soucy's work requires her to constantly renew herself and to rethink the way of doing things in order to provide residents with an exceptional quality of life. It was noted that “her employers recognize that Ms. Soucy does not have a job or practice a profession; it is more of a vocation. Her approach and dedication to residents goes well beyond her responsibilities as Executive Director. Her way of being creates a harmony and a healthy environment that not only makes the staff happy at work, but also the residents happy to live at the Hôtel-Dieu.” Article by Allison Roy that appeared in Thursday June 17th 2021 edition of l’Acadie Nouvelle. Catholic Health International wishes to congratulate Manon on this very well deserved award.



## Statement of the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada

We are profoundly saddened by the disclosure of the remains of 215 children at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School on the lands of Tk’emlúps te Secwépemc, and we extend our deepest condolences to the families and communities who are grieving this terrible loss. As we work together across this land to foster the full disclosure of the truths of oppression and colonialism, Catholic health care is committed to being a healing presence on the journey of Truth & Reconciliation. We recognize that there is still much work to do by the Catholic Church and Catholic health care.

As Catholic health care providers, we acknowledge that we serve on traditional territories of the Indigenous Peoples who have stewarded these lands since time immemorial. We honour and acknowledge their spiritual and practical relationships to the land that create a rich heritage for our learning, our life as a community, and to inform our health care approach. Across Canada, we serve and walk with many survivors who continue to demonstrate strength and resilience while also grappling with wounds and scars of Residential School trauma, loss and suffering carried down through generations. The journey to healing calls us to work each day to build openness, trust, compassion and humility.

In our care and our decisions as health care providers, we are committed to providing a safe place where we can connect as people, listen deeply and learn from each other with respect and vulnerability. There is a call for social justice across Canada and a common drive to create a world where all can thrive and everyone finds belonging, dignity and worth.

As Catholic health care providers, in dialogue with First Nations, Metis and Inuit Peoples, we are committed to improved whole-person and culturally safe health care that respects and enhances the physical, emotional, spiritual, and mental dimensions.

May we walk together with courage and compassion to bring about the shared and long-lasting reconciliation we long for—anchored in authentic healing and restoration, mutual understanding, trust and community.

Sara John Fowler  
Chair, Governing Council  
June 17, 2021

John Ruetz  
President & CEO



Truth and Reconciliation  
Commission of Canada  
Final Report

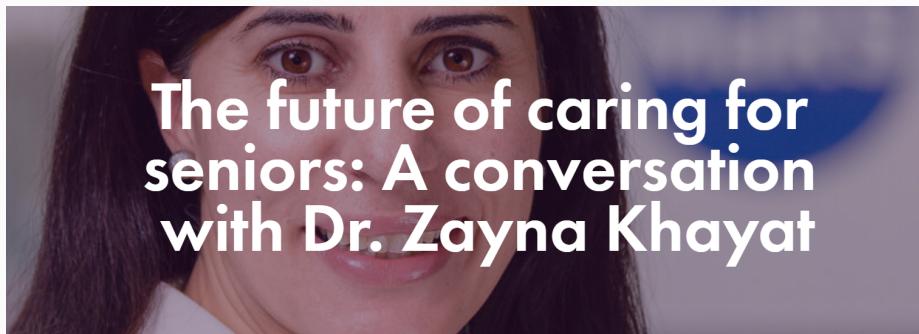


## THE FUTURE OF CARING FOR SENIORS

### Covenant Health Announces New National Initiative

This year the Covenant family and SE Health (formerly, Saint Elizabeth Health Care) are partnering on an important initiative to mobilize action for change. *COURAGE: Action for Better Aging* will engage with all Canadians and a broad spectrum of stakeholders to reimagine aging and spark innovation for change through concrete and actionable ideas and plans.

As part of that initiative Zayna Khayat a Future Strategist with SE Health , gave a webinar titled *The future of caring for seniors: A conversation with Dr. Zayna Khayat*. Click on the link below for the full video.



### IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

CHI Board Meeting Dates :

September 15, 2021

September 22, 2021 (Corporate)

October 4 to 6, 2021

CHI Board Strategic Planning

St. Andrews, New Brunswick

November 10, 2021 (Corporate)

November 17, 2021

December 8, 2021 (Corporate)

### Leadership Formation Program

French Program:

Module 1 of the 2021-2022 French Program, will be held September 14 to 16, 2021 in Tracadie-Sheila, N.B. Registrations are now closed.

English Program

Module 2 of the 2019-2020 English Program has been postponed until Spring of 2022. Registrations are now closed.

Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

We are now taking registrations for the upcoming Fall 2022 – Spring 2023 programs in both English and French. Specific dates to be announced.

### REGISTRATION FORM



## Sponsors are Called to be Prophets & Reformers

A WORKSHOP FOR DIRECTORS OF CATHOLIC HEALTH SPONSOR BOARDS IN CANADA

Hosted by Réseau Compassion Network and Catholic Health Sponsors of Ontario



Catholic Health  
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# SPONSORS WORKSHOP

Rev Charles Bouchard, OP & Dr. Gordon Self lead  
Sponsor Board Formation Workshop

Several members of the CHI Board of Directors and staff attended a two day workshop on *Sponsors as Prophets & Reformers* organized by the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada. This excellent workshop was led by Rev Charles Bouchard, OP, Senior Director, Theology and Sponsorship for the Catholic Health Association of the United States and Dr. Gordon Self, D. Min. Chief Mission & Ethics Officer for Covenant Health. The presenters explored several themes including Catholic health as a ministry of the Church, the qualities of a sponsored ministry, sponsors calling to be prophets and reformers and the priorities of Catholic health ministry in Canada today.

Two excellence articles were shared for members of sponsor boards or for those who want to understand sponsorship in more detail. They are available for download at:

**Sponsors are Called to Be Prophets and Reformers**

and

**Renewing the Sacramental**

*The evolution of sponsorship is an expression of the church's prophetic charism.*

Fr. Charles E. Bouchard, OP, STD



Catholic Health International wishes to congratulate John Ruetz, President and CEO of Catholic Health Alliance of Canada, on his recent induction into the Canadian College of Health Leaders Fellowship Select Program. Fellowship is the highest professional designation awarded by the College and is designed for experienced leaders who have gained a wide breadth of knowledge and experience at various leadership levels in the Canadian health system over their career. Congratulations John.





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## SAINT JOSEPH: A WORKING FATHER

A prayer for workers, especially frontline workers, and for the unemployed

Saint Joseph, working father,  
we ask that you intercede with your Son,  
the Saviour of the world,  
that we may complete  
the life-giving work  
that God, Creator of all things,  
has set up to accomplish  
and attain the promised rewards.

Let the favour of the lord our God be upon us,  
and proper for us the work of our hands -  
O proper the work of our hands! (Ps 90:17)

Let us find ways to express our firm conviction that no young person, no person at all, no family should be without work.

From [Novena and Act of Entrustment to Saint Joseph \(Year of Saint Joseph\)](#) CCCB

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Catholic Health International held annual meetings for three days in the month of June for their sponsored corporations. Catholic Health Partners and Catholic Health Partners Foundation also held their Annual General meetings. A significant focus of the meetings were the Annual Accountability Reports to the Sponsor. These reports outline many of the important works of our sponsored facilities and become part of Catholic Health International's Annual Report to Rome. Thank you to our Board of Directors for their commitment and dedication and all who contributed to these meetings.



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