



**Catholic Health International celebrates National Catholic Health Care Week**

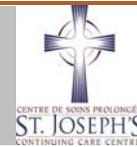
During this time of pandemic and societal change Catholic Health International and the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada wish to invite our facilities to participate in the second annual National Catholic Health Care Week (NCHCW) which will be taking place from October 4th to the 10th, 2020. National Catholic Health Care Week is a celebration of our unwavering commitment to serve our communities, journeying with people throughout their lives, and offering healing in body, mind, and spirit, especially during difficult times.

Please visit the CHI website at [www.catholichealthpartners.com](http://www.catholichealthpartners.com) where you will find resources to help you celebrate including Daily Reflections and Prayers and a link to additional resources, including a media kit, at the CHAC website. On this special week, Catholic Health International blesses and prays for you, your staff, physicians, volunteers, and everyone associated with your facility.



**APPARTEMENTS**  
*Marie de la Ferre*  
**APARTMENTS**

**Anne Bethune Retires after 37 years of Service**  
**RHSJ Housing - Marie de la Ferre Apartments**  
**St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre**



Anne Bethune

Catholic Health International, St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre and the RHSJ Housing Corp want to thank Anne Bethune for her 37 years of service to the RHSJ Housing Corporation and St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre with 28 years as the Property Manager at Marie de la Ferre Apartments. Her commitment to her work and the Cornwall community was ever present and an inspiration to those whom she worked with and served. We wish her the best on her well-deserved retirement.

We would like to welcome Cindy Drouin as the new Property Manager for Marie de la Ferre Apartments. Cindy brings with her 17 years of community experience providing support to families when they need it the most. Previously, Cindy held the position of Community Relations Worker for the Cornwall and Area Housing Corp. and also as a Case Worker, who oversaw the "Family First Program" at Pinecrest Queensway Community Health Centre located in Ottawa, Ontario. Throughout her professional career, Cindy has always strived to enrich the lives of families that she had the pleasure working with. Her goal has always been to approach families holistically and help them identify barriers to successful outcomes. Welcome Cindy - we are excited to have you as part of CHI Family!



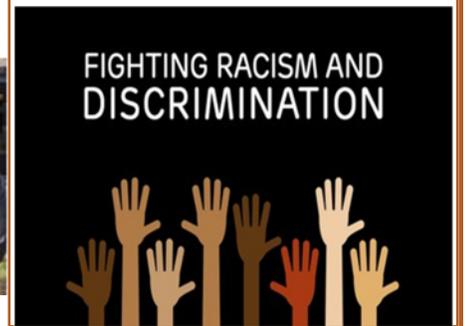
Cindy Drouin

**Anti-racism resources**



Over the past several months the issue of racism and discrimination has captured the attention of many around the world. Many are seeking ways to engage in meaningful conversations which will lead to action and change. We now have a section of our CHI website to collect resources on fighting racism. CHI is looking at ways to provide additional resources and support to our facilities on this issue. Please share with us any additional resources you may have:

[www.catholichealthpartners.com/anti-racism-resources](http://www.catholichealthpartners.com/anti-racism-resources).



**St. Bernard Hospital #1 in Civic Leadership and Community Benefits**



**ST. BERNARD HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE CENTER**

**WE ARE NO. 1!**

We've earned recognition for our commitment to equity, inclusion, and community health.

St. Bernard Hospital has been recognized by the Lown Institute, a nonpartisan think tank advocating bold ideas for a just and caring system for health.

- #1 for Civic Leadership in Illinois
- #1 for Community Benefits in Illinois
- National Value of Care Grade: A
- National Civic Leadership Grade: A+
- Top 100 in the Nation for Civic Leadership
- Top 10 in the Nation for Community Benefit



As recently reported in Crain's Chicago Business, the Lown Institute, a nonpartisan think tank that advocates bold ideas for a just and caring system for health, has just recognized St. Bernard Hospital, in Chicago, as being the number one hospital for Civic Leadership and Community Benefits in the state of Illinois. This honor recognizes St. Bernard Hospital for its commitment to equity, inclusion, and community health. This further recognized St. Bernard Hospital's commitment to providing excellent and accessible care to the benefit of the South Side community. Catholic Health International would like to congratulate the caring community of clinicians and administrators who continue to live their mission to "show a special sensitivity to the culture of the people we serve and the special needs of the poor and powerless."



## St. Joseph Residence receives 2020 New London Mayor's Awards

On September 11, 2020 St. Joseph Residence received the 2020 New London Chamber of Commerce Mayor's Award. This special Community Enhancement Award recognizes St. Joseph Residence for its contribution to the community. Mayor Henke (ret.) noted the exceptional staff that set St. Joseph Residence apart and its many contributions to the community including the recently added Memory Care Unit and its role in local Food Pantry. Congratulations to St. Joseph Residence from Catholic Health International.



L to R: April Kopitzke - Executive Director New London Chambers of Commerce, Gidget Blank- CEO St. Joseph Residence, Gary Henke - past Mayor New London, Wisconsin

## John Ruetz named President & CEO



We would like to congratulate John Ruetz on his appointment to the position of President and CEO of the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada. He replaces Michael Shea who CHI thanks for his years of service and leadership. John's first initial visit in his new role was at CHI's Miramichi office in August. We welcome him to this new position and look forward to working with him. John can be reached at:

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## IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

### CHI Board Meeting Dates:

Nov 25, 2020	Dec 9, 2020	Jan 20, 2021
Feb 17, 2021	Mar 10, 2021	Apr 14, 2021
Jun 2, 2021	June 8, 2021	Jun 17-18, 2021

### CHI Catholic Health Formation

Module 2 of the English Program postponed until Spring 2021  
Accepting registrations from new students for Spring 2021  
French program and Fall 2021 English program on the CHI website

### CHANB Conference

Sep 22-24, 2021 Miramichi NB

### CHAO Board Chair and CEO Session

Oct 22, 2020 10:00 to 12:00 am Eastern Time - Virtual meeting

### Catholic Health International

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## Remembering Richard Haughian



Richard Haughian, former president of the Catholic Health Association of Canada (now the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada) died peacefully on Sunday June 28, 2020 at Maycourt Hospice in Ottawa. Richard was with the CHAC for 24 years, the last 11 years (1993 to 2004) as Executive Director. He completed graduate degrees in philosophy and theology, obtaining his Doctorate in spirituality from the Gregorian University, Rome, Italy. He was known as a good man of great passion, wisdom, integrity and humour. In addition to his work at the CHAC, Rick worked as an individual and family counsellor at Ottawa Catholic Family Services, taught part-time at Saint Paul University and upon retirement he devoted his time, energy and many talents to Ancoura, an organization that provides supportive housing for persons with mental health challenges. Our sincere sympathy and condolences to Richard's family.

## St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre launches hospital-to-home telehealth

In a first for Ontario, St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre in Cornwall has been approved for an innovative, new pilot program that will leverage virtual care technology and tools to support vulnerable seniors after they are discharged home for up to 30 days—at no cost to the patient. The goal of the initiative, supported by Ontario Health (OTN), is to improve patient outcomes and to provide a safe transition from hospital to home, along with a positive handoff to other community care providers.

SJCCC will soon begin to offer individuals returning home an easy-to-use app they can download on a mobile device or tablet. Through it, they will get timely reminders about their discharge-plan instructions. They can also access self-care learning video resources and use secure messaging and video calls to connect directly with a dedicated care team at SJCCC. Patients can also use Bluetooth-enabled health devices for the care team to monitor their blood pressure, weight and pulse. For patients without their own devices or Internet access, SJCCC will provide the technology required, along with user-friendly, one-on-one training.

The new pilot will complement efforts already underway at SJCCC in recent years to provide "restorative care" to patients, mostly seniors, in its 58-bed Hotel Dieu Hospital. The focus is on "slow-paced rehabilitation" for those who need additional strengthening after surgery and/or periods of deconditioning before they return home. The program, which helps several hundred patients annually, has seen successful outcomes, and is designed to help patients stay in their homes longer, alleviating or delaying the need for institutionalized long-term care.

