



## **Volunteer Advisory Council Members: Nova Scotia Health Patient, Family & Public Advisory Council**

**Our health care system learns from your experience. Help us shape the future.**

NS Health has made a commitment to involve citizens in establishing priorities and making decisions that matter to them and impact their lives, our community and the sustainability of our health care system.

NS Health is committed to providing excellent care for the patients and families of our community. We are looking for Patient and Family Advisors to provide input as active members on our NS Health Patient, Family & Public Advisory Council (PFPAC).

We are seeking two (2) community-minded individuals to bring a patient and/or family/caregiver point of view and voice. No special knowledge or skills are needed. The ideal person is someone who can use their experience as a patient or family member/caregiver to help shape the care we provide.

### **Those selected will have the following qualifications:**

- Recent personal or family/caregiver experience with any NS Health healthcare service in one of the following areas:
  - Colchester, East Hants, Cumberland or Pictou County areas
  - South West, South Shore or Annapolis Valley areas
- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Can look at issues from more than one point of view.
- Can share honest points of view in a respectful way.
- Be reflective of diverse populations and perspectives in our community.
- Interested in making a positive contribution to health care services.
- Previous volunteer experience is an asset.

### **Additional requirements:**

- Sign a confidentiality agreement.
- Have or be willing to obtain a Criminal Background Check.
- Declare any potential conflicts of interest.
- Be able to commit to attend at least one (1) meeting per month. Meetings are typically held during daytime hours in hospital sites throughout NS Health, and virtually (online or by phone).
- Be able to devote several hours per month to preparing for meetings.
- Be able to commit to a term of two (2) years.

### **Please Note:**

**These are volunteer positions. Current NS Health employees, Foundation members, Community Health Board members and elected officials are not eligible to apply.**

If this opportunity is of interest, please send a letter and/ or resume telling us why you are interested and why you believe you should be selected to join the NS Health Patient, Family & Public Advisory Council (PFPAC). **Applications can be sent to Caren Fortune by email at [caren.fortune@nshealth.ca](mailto:caren.fortune@nshealth.ca), or by phone at 902-567-8589.**

*NS Health is committed to being a workforce that is free of discrimination, values diversity and is representative, at all job levels, of the people we serve. Our priority groups are Aboriginal People, African Nova Scotians, Persons with Disabilities and Recent Immigrants. Members of these groups are welcome to apply and self-identify if they wish to be considered under our Employment Equity policy.*