



Canadian Academy of Health Sciences  
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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

Before the end of the year, I encourage you to consider the important calls for nominations outlined below.

#### CALL FOR FELLOWSHIP NOMINATIONS

The annual call for Fellowship nominations will be released early in January. As primary nominators, CAHS Fellows provide a letter of nomination that introduces the nominee and co-nominators and they have responsibility for co-ordinating the entire nomination package. The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 9, 2018 and support materials are available on the website at <http://www.cahs-acss.ca/nominations/>

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: FOREIGN SECRETARY

The Academy is seeking applications from energetic and enthusiastic Fellows interested in the role of Foreign Secretary in 2018. Specific responsibilities include:

1. Guide and have responsibility for the international activities of CAHS;
2. Build and maintain partnerships with Academies of Medicine/Health elsewhere in the world;
3. Develop relationships with global and regional networks of Academies such as IAMP and IAP;
4. Assist in identifying outstanding health scientists from abroad to be nominated as international members of the CAHS, especially from countries under-represented in the Academy;
5. Identify leading Canadian global health scientists from any discipline for possible appointment to CAHS through its usual processes.

This appointment has a renewable term of three years. The Foreign Secretary is an ex officio member of the CAHS Board, which meets by conference call approximately every two months for two hours, and face-to-face twice each year (once at the Annual Meeting in September and once sometime between January and June).

### SECRETARY'S NOTE



Hold the dates!

The 2018 Annual Forum will be hosted in Vancouver on September 13 and 14, 2018 at the Marriott Pinnacle Hotel. Co-chairs *Yves De Koninck* (McGill University) and *Patrick McGrath* (Dalhousie University) the event will address the issue of chronic pain as a major source of disability and suffering in Canadian children, adults and seniors.

Please remember that we rely on our Fellows to keep us abreast of their own news and that of their colleagues. We look forward to hearing from you throughout the year and greatly appreciate receiving photographs that we can publish to promote and celebrate our collective success!

Sincerely,

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If you are interested in this position and would like to be considered please contact CAROL HERBERT, Chair of the Committee on Governance & Nominations, at [Carol.Herbert@schulich.uwo.ca](mailto:Carol.Herbert@schulich.uwo.ca)

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: BOARD MEMBERS

Members of the CAHS Board serve two year terms. Discipline Directors and Directors at Large may be renewed twice. The Board manages, or supervises the management of, the activities and affairs of the Corporation. The Board meets by conference call approximately every two months for two hours, and face-to-face twice each year (once at the Annual Meeting in September and once sometime between January and June). The following members are completing their terms.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Term</i>
Secretary	Kishor Wasan	2016-2018
Treasurer	Dina Brooks	2016-2018
Discipline Director Rehabilitation Sciences	Annette Majnemer	eligible to serve a second 2-year term
Director at Large	Christopher Simpson	eligible to serve a second 2-year term
Member at Large	Marek Michalak	2016-2018

The *Committee on Governance and Nominations* looks forward to receiving your formal and informal nominations of CAHS Fellows for all of these Board positions. Suggestions are welcomed by the Committee Chair, CAROL HERBERT at [Carol.Herbert@schulich.uwo.ca](mailto:Carol.Herbert@schulich.uwo.ca) Formal recommendations will be made to the Board in March 2018 so we would like to hear from you before February 16, 2018.

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: AWARDS

1. THE PAUL ARMSTRONG LECTURE: This Lecture, established by CAHS to honor its first President, Paul Armstrong, recognizes leadership and commitment to advance academic health sciences through academic service and innovation at local, national and international levels and achievements that are truly extraordinary. Past recipients of this award include: *Jean Rouleau; Lorne Tyrell; Peter Singer; David Naylor; Eldon Smith; Jean Gray*.
2. THE CAHS SCIENTIFIC LECTURE: Each year the CAHS selects one Fellow to give a 20-30 minute talk describing his/her research activities and the state of their field of research. The idea is to feature the outstanding qualities of our Fellows and to inform a diverse audience of the current state in the given field of investigation. Past recipients of this award include *Ian Graham; Wayne Martin; Anne Martin Matthews; Neil Cashman; Joy Johnson; Jane Green; Bartha Knoppers; Jocelyne Downie; Martin Schechter*. Fundamental characteristics sought in these Fellows are:

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- i. Track record of internationally recognized success and authority
- ii. Topic that ensures interest from the broad spectrum of CAHS Fellows across the health sciences
- iii. Capacity to provide perspective on a field of research/scholarship (the talk is about not just the research of the individual but the current state of knowledge)
- iv. Engaging and stimulating style of presentation
- v. Excellent visuals

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*Season's Greetings* and best wishes for the holidays, everyone!

Sincerely,

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President

