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Province	British Columbia
City	Bowen Island
Gender (male, female, other, would rather not say)	female
Equity-deserving group (please identify)	
Board position that you are interested in: Director for Rehabilitation Sciences	



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I am Professor Emerita (Psychology, UofT), Adjunct Professor (Gerontology, SFU). I taught Audiology at UBC (1992-2002) and am a licensed Audiologist in the College of Health and Care Professionals of BC. Over 30+ years, I have translated research on auditory and cognitive aging to address the rehabilitative needs of older adults with age-related hearing and cognitive impairments, with a focus on social engagement and healthy aging. I am the audiology expert for the Canadian Longitudinal Study of Aging and the Canadian Consortium on Neurodegeneration in Aging. I contributed to the WHO World Reports on Hearing and on Aging and Health, as well as the 2022 World Alzheimer Report. I represented the International Society of Audiology on the WHO World Rehabilitation Alliance working group on primary care and participated in the Team Primary Care Canada project. I received the International Award of the American Academy of Audiology and the Lifetime Achievement Award of Speech-Language and Audiology Canada. In 2025, I gave the Carhart Memorial Lecture for the American Auditory Society. In 2026, I gave the Aram Glorig Lecture for the International Society of Audiology. I live on Bowen Island, a rural community in BC of < 5000 people, where I am a member of the municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee and Chair of Seniors Keeping Young, a charitable society of 200+ members. I am actively engaged in knowledge mobilization to promote healthy aging and shape age-friendly policies and community services. My expertise draws on clinical, laboratory, and population health research, as well as lived experience as an older adult.

I became a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences in 2022. Every year since then, I have served on a membership review pod and as a member of the IDEA committee. I attended CAHS meetings in Ottawa (2022), Vancouver (2022), Toronto (2023) and Montreal (2026). I will attend the 2027 Forum. A practical result of my advocacy for IDEA was the implementation of hearing accessibility at the 2026 Forum.

I am committed to the inclusion of rehabilitation in inter-professional health care teams. As the Rehabilitation Director, I will strive to represent Fellows across different rehabilitation fields, emphasizing collaborations among them and between them and other CAHS fellows. My contributions will build on my inter-disciplinary and international research on sensory-cognitive associations in aging and my clinical leadership working to include hearing care into integrated person-centred primary and community care for older people.