

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES - ALEX MUNTER

Alex Munter became President and Chief Executive Officer of the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario in November 2011. Prior to joining CHEO Alex was Chief Executive Officer of the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) from January to October 2011. Alex has nearly 20 years of leadership experience in health and social services and a commitment to building a genuinely patient-centred health delivery system for the 1.2 million residents of the Champlain region.

Prior to joining the LHIN, Alex was Executive Director of the Youth Services Bureau (YSB), one of Ontario's largest accredited children's mental health agencies. YSB's staff team of 350 serves about 19,000 people annually at 20 locations across Ottawa. During his tenure, the organization grew by one-third, adding services and expanding its reach. Since 2007, YSB has won recognition for a ground-breaking new health clinic for street-involved youth, the establishment of a youth mental health hub and launch of innovative new clinical mental health programs, closer co-ordination between hospitals and community mental health providers, new programs to help at-risk youth find and keep jobs and new measures to improve the agency's governance, efficiency and service quality. From 2004 to 2010, Alex also taught in French and English at the University of Ottawa as a Visiting Professor in its Faculty of Social Sciences.

Alex was a City and Regional Councillor in Ottawa from 1991 to 2003. From 1997 onward, he headed council committees responsible for health and social services with oversight of the city's \$550 million human services budget. In that role, he led Council to unanimously adopt pioneering smoke-free regulations in 2001, worked with the provincial government to oversee the transfer of ambulance services and social housing to the municipal level, initiated Canada's first comprehensive public access defibrillator program, expanded long-term care for seniors, expanded catastrophic drug coverage for low-income residents, funded hospital expansions and worked with the Community Care Access Centre and community support agencies to improve at-home support services for seniors and people with disabilities.

Alex was very involved in the restructuring of hospital and other health services as a member of the former Ottawa-Carleton District Health Council in the 1990's. Other health-planning leadership roles included his assignment as Co-Chair of the Regional Task Force on Health Care (1998-1999) and appointment to the Ontario Public Health Capacity Review Committee and chair of its governance panel (2005-2006).

Alex has won numerous awards from a wide range of organizations for his contributions to the community, including the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, the Canadian Institute for Child Health, United Way/Centraide Ottawa, the Federal Business Development Bank, l'Association Canadienne-Française de l'Ontario d'Ottawa, Leadership Ottawa and the Ontario Association of Social Workers.

Alex was a member of the board for the Ottawa-Carleton Children's Aid Society (1997-2000), Co-Chair of the National Network on Ethnocultural Communities and AIDS

(1990-91), member of the Ontario Advisory Council on Multiculturalism (1992-94) and Board Member of the Community Foundation of Ottawa (2004-2006).