

## Mohawk College Vice President Appointed to Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN Board of Directors

**NEWS**

**December 6, 2016**

Laurie Ryan-Hill, Acting Chair of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network (HNHB LHIN) is pleased to announce the three-year appointment of Paul Armstrong as a new Director to the Board.

Mr. Armstrong, who serves as Vice President, Academic at Mohawk College, brings with him extensive experience as a medical professional, administrator, educator and volunteer in the Hamilton and Brantford communities. Mr. Armstrong is a trained medical imaging technologist who holds diplomas in both Diagnostic Ultrasound and Radiological Technology from Mohawk College, as well as a Masters of Business Administration from Queen's University. Prior to taking on his current role as Mohawk's Vice President, Academic, he served as the College's Dean of Health Sciences, Community and Urban Studies; Director of Academic Relations; Chair of Health Sciences and Human Services; and Faculty in the Department of Medical Imaging; as well as having spent numerous years as a practicing Ultrasound and Radiological Technologist at Hamilton General Hospital and McMaster University Medical Centre.

In addition to his impressive employment background, Mr. Armstrong has been an active member of the community and has leadership governance experience with numerous healthcare, educational, and charitable organizations. He currently serves as Project and Group Advisor to Queen's University School of Business and as Committee Member on Hamilton Community Foundation's Community Health, Education and Research Fund. In joining the LHIN, Mr. Armstrong resigned from his board positions with Brain Injury Services of Hamilton and with the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Community Care Access Centre (HNHB CCAC). He also previously served as both Board Chair and Facilities Chair at Grand River Community Health Centre, Board Chair at Umbrella Family and Child Centres of Hamilton, Board Member at Hamilton Children's Aid Society, Board Member at Grand Valley Educational Society, Board Member at the Canadian Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers, Board Member at the Ontario Society of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers and Board Member at Workforce Planning Board of Brant, as well as well as fulfilling volunteer roles with numerous other community and athletic groups.

This three-year appointment was made November 28, 2016 by the Lieutenant Governor in Council and endorsed by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, the Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins.

## QUOTES

“I am very pleased to welcome Paul Armstrong to the HNHB LHIN Board of Directors. Between his administrative and educational background at Mohawk College and his vast governance experience with a number of community and health care boards of directors, he will lend a skilled and experienced hand to the LHIN board.”

- Laurie Ryan-Hill, Acting Chair, Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN

“Over the course of my career I have been committed to the improvement of the communities where I work and live. At this important juncture in the evolution of LHINs, I look forward to the opportunity to support and contribute to the implementation of a high-quality and sustainable healthcare system that meets the needs of residents across the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN geography.”

- Paul Armstrong, Board Member, Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN

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## QUICK FACTS

- Members of the HNHB LHIN Board of Directors are responsible for directing the LHIN's affairs, its direction and policies and providing oversight in accordance with applicable legislation, approved strategic and business plans, and accountability agreements with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.
- The Chair and the Directors are appointed based on their expertise, experience, leadership skills and the needs of the LHIN and, through the Chair, are accountable to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care.
- The HNHB LHIN's highly engaged and well respected Board of Directors includes:
  - Laurie Ryan-Hill, Acting Chair
  - Mervin Witter, Vice Chair
  - Bill Thompson, Director
  - Dominic Ventresca, Director
  - Madhuri Ramakrishnan, Director
  - Janine van den Heuvel, Director
  - Paul Armstrong, Director
- With a budget of more than \$2.9 billion, and covering Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant, Burlington and most of Norfolk, the HNHB LHIN is home to a diverse population of more than 1.4 million people. The HNHB LHIN plans and funds the local health care system by working with more than 200 providers.

- The HNHB LHIN is committed to dramatically improving the patient experience through quality, integration and value while supporting our vision to create a health care system that helps keep people healthy, gets them good care when they are sick, and will be there for our children and grandchildren.

For more information on the HNHB LHIN and the Board of Directors, please visit [www.hnhblhin.on.ca](http://www.hnhblhin.on.ca).

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