



CENTRAL EAST LHIN WELCOMES NEWEST BOARD MEMBER

S. Gopikrishna brings extensive background in housing

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The Public Appointments Secretariat of the Province of Ontario issued an official Order-in-Council appointing S. Gopikrishna (Gopi) to the Central East Local Health Integration Network (Central East LHIN) Board of Directors on October 22, 2014 for a three-year term.

Mr. Gopikrishna, a Scarborough resident, is currently the Executive Director of the Scarborough Housing Help Centre (SHHC), a non-profit agency funded by various levels of government and the United Way, whose mission is to assist individuals and families living in Scarborough and the Region of York with securing housing, and to provide them with the necessary services so they are able to maintain their housing and thereby improve the quality of their lives. SHHC is not a recipient of funding from the Central East LHIN.

With a background in Engineering, Mr. Gopikrishna has also served as the Co-ordinator of the Scarborough Homelessness Committee for the Social Planning Council of Toronto and as the Programs Manager for South Asian Support Services.

Mr. Gopikrishna comes to the Central East LHIN Board with a wealth of governance experience from his service on a number of Boards and Committees including:

- Chairperson and Member, Committee of Adjustment, City of Toronto
- Member, Board of Directors, Findhelp Information Services
- Member, Board of Directors, Family Day Care Services
- Member, Community Advisory Committee, The Scarborough Hospital
- Member, Board of Directors, Northwood Neighbourhood Services Member
- Member, City of Toronto's Immigrant and Refugee Housing Committee
- Member, Board of Directors, YOUTHLINK

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“We look forward to welcoming Mr. Gopikrishna to the Board of the Central East LHIN at our December 3rd Open Board meeting. His extensive work over the past fourteen years in the social services sector, especially with immigrant and vulnerable populations, will bring another interesting perspective to the table as we continue to lead the system to be better integrated, accessible and sustainable. Transforming the system to one where local residents spend more time in their homes and their communities will require all of our efforts as we continue to achieve our Community First strategic aims.”

Wayne Gladstone, Chair, Central East LHIN Board of Directors

QUICK FACTS

- The role of the LHIN Board of Directors is to oversee, advise on and govern the strategic direction and priorities of the LHIN. Each board member is appointed by an Order-in-Council – the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care’s selection and appointment process – and is appointed for a term of one to three years, subject to two terms up to a six-year maximum.
- The Chair and the Directors are appointed based on their expertise, experience, leadership skills and the needs of the LHIN and are accountable, through the Chair, to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care for the LHIN’s use of public funds and for its results in the local health system.

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