



Call for New Member – Board of Directors

What We Teach Our Children, 2008 Christi Belcourt

The Toronto Birth Centre (TBC) aims to build a space where pregnant people, families and communities can access culturally safe birthing care. The TBC Board is currently recruiting interested individuals for nomination to the TBC Board of Directors and aims to nominate members who can best accomplish the objectives of the TBC, in alignment with its vision, core values, and Indigenous framework.

The Board of Directors has the ultimate decision-making and authority for all responsibilities outlined in the Independent Health Facilities Act license agreement, including all matters relating to finances, strategic planning, quality assurance and compliance for the TBC. The Board's membership is two-thirds registered midwives and majority self-identified Indigenous people. The Board is accountable to its clients, the communities the TBC serves, government agencies, institutional partners and community stakeholders.

The Board is looking to fill one position:

- For an **Indigenous Midwife** for a 3-year term on the TBC Board of Directors.

“Midwife” means a Registered Midwife in good standing with the College or an Aboriginal Midwife practicing under the exception clause 8(3) of the Midwifery Act, 1991, S.O. 1991, c.31.

“Indigenous Midwife” is any midwife that self-identifies as Indigenous in the spirit of the United Nation’s approach to Indigenous identity.

Participation on the Board is an exciting opportunity to be an integral part of the ongoing development and implementation of the TBC as an innovative midwifery-led initiative.

The appointment process for Board membership with the Toronto Birth Centre is guided by the TBC’s Vision, Purpose, Core Values and Indigenous Framework, and works within an Indigenous worldview.

Board members will commit to attending monthly meetings of the Board of Directors and will be prepared to chair a committee or working group. Midwives who are IBPOC (Indigenous, Black and People of Colour) and/or gender diverse with skills and expertise in public relations, finance, law, human resources, community engagement and other non-clinical areas are especially welcome. Previous Board experience is not required.

Please submit a Statement of Interest (max. 300 words), a curriculum vitae, and two references to:

c/o ed@torontobirthcentre.ca

Statements of interest will be reviewed by the Board. This post will remain until the position is filled. The selected candidate will be put forward for election at a special members' meeting or at the TBC's AGM in September 2021, whichever may be arranged first.