

September 23, 2024

**Call for Expression of Interest for the  
Infant Hearing Program Clinical Advisory Committee**

The purpose of the IHP Clinical Advisory Committee (IHP-CAC) is to guide and provide strategic advice to the Infant Hearing Program (IHP) Oversight Agency within an evolving screening and pediatric hearing healthcare landscape. The IHP Oversight Agency team is seeking interested members for the CAC who think broadly about and have a deep understanding of the IHP and the hearing health care system in Ontario. With this communication, we are inviting you to express your interest in participating on the IHP-CAC. We also encourage you to share this call with colleagues you feel may be interested.

**Specific tasks of the IHP Clinical Advisory Committee include:**

- Review provincial data presented by the Oversight Agency.
- Identify priorities and advise on all aspects of IHP program effectiveness and quality, including evaluation of performance indicators and related data, that are within the scope of the Oversight Agency.
- Consider and advise on strategic directions for the IHP as presented by the Oversight Agency, including but not limited to advances in pediatric audiology, new therapies or interventions, genomic technologies, and information systems and technologies.
- Provide policy and knowledge translation advice for the IHP including changes to protocols, implementation, screening and audiological technologies, training approaches, and alignment with other relevant screening and audiology systems.
- Consider the social, ethical, and health system impacts related to the IHP in Ontario.
- Guide the Oversight Agency on program evaluation strategies necessary to enhance understanding of matters related to the IHP's efficiency and effectiveness.
- Collaborate with the Oversight Agency when significant changes to the delivery of the IHP are considered at the Lead Agency level.
- Maintain open and transparent dialogue with the Oversight Agency.

The IHP-CAC will meet four times annually, two will be in-person and two via video conference. Membership terms are 2 years.

**We are seeking members for the CAC who represent the following areas:**

- IHP Lead Agency Coordinators/Managers (participation from both rural and urban regions sought)
- IHP Audiologists knowledgeable in UNHS, assessment, and amplification
- IHP Regional Trainers (participation from both rural and urban regions sought)
- Medical specialists involved in the care of children with PHL (e.g. Otolaryngology, Genetics, Infectious Diseases)
- Speech-Language Pathologist involved in the care of children within the IHP
- American Sign Language Consultant involved in the care of children within the IHP

- Family Support Worker (e.g. social worker) who is involved in the care of children within the IHP

**To apply, please submit the attached Expression of Interest Form and email it with a copy of your CV to [NSOHearing@cheo.on.ca](mailto:NSOHearing@cheo.on.ca) by the end of the business day on October 4, 2024.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us through the email above if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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