



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Inter-Professional Practice Council

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Purpose

The Inter-Professional Practice Council provides a forum to support and guide joint accountability in professional practice within an inter-professional environment. The council will support the ability to maintain a dynamic practice environment and address the planning of professional development initiatives.

Objectives

- Guide the delivery of inter-professional, collaborative, patient-centered care based on best available evidence and enable health care professionals to work to their full scope of practice.
- Receive an annual overview of HSN's strategic directions and priorities which impact inter-professional practice.
- Develop an action plan that includes promoting, developing, implementing and evaluating professional activities and opportunities for inter-professional practice.
- Advocate for, and support, the achievement of quality assurance processes for each regulated health profession.
- Develop and implement an ongoing communication plan to advise inter-professionals about the work of the Council.
- Support and promote mentorship and preceptorship initiatives within the organization.
- Fostering relationships with HSNRI and other research institutions to promote intra/intra-professional research initiatives.
- Ensure professional practice activities are aligned with legislative and regulatory practice standards.
- Help to define skills and competencies of health professionals to maintain and promote quality care within HSN.
- Provide support, guidance related to the implementation of electronic health records.

Membership

Membership includes representatives from the following disciplines:

- Dietitian
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Nursing – searching for another committee member
- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Psychology
- Social Work
- Speech Language Pathology
- Recreation Therapist
- Respiratory Therapist
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Pharmacy
- Spiritual & Religious Care
- Clinical Informatics
- Kinesiology



Membership will also include Clinical Director and Clinical Manager representation.
Chairperson
The Council is chaired by the Administrative Director, Inter-Professional Practice. The Council will have a co-chair – Natalie will have a conversation with Joanne Guizzo.
Recording Minutes
The Administrative Secretary to the Administrative Director, Inter-Professional Practice will act as the recorder.
Accountability
The Council is accountable to the Vice President, Social Accountability and will provide input to the Nursing Professional Practice Council through membership of one delegate.
Quorum
Quorum will be obtained when there are 50% +1 members in attendance.
Meeting Frequency
Bi-monthly, or at the call of the Chair.