



Changing the trajectory of children's mental health.

Board of Directors CANDIDATE RECRUITMENT

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Established in 1985, the George Hull Centre for Children and Families is a full-service mental health centre that assists thousands of children - from infancy to 18 years of age - and their families each year. A leader in children's mental health, the George Hull Centre uses evidence-based and evidence informed treatments and programs to reduce suffering, provide hope and enhance the quality of life for infants, children, youth and their families. We are committed to diversity, inclusion and equity at all levels of our organization.

As a community-based, front-line service provider we offer a continuum of integrated services through our early intervention and prevention programs and mental health services that include a community outpatient clinic, both a live-in and home-based intensive program, and day treatment programs for specialized schooling and substance abuse.

We work with children and youth experiencing a range of mental health issues from mild to very complex and are staffed by a multidisciplinary team of experts. We are highly regarded as a centre of clinical excellence in children's mental health and are proud to be a Teaching Centre for the University of Toronto. In 2021, the Centre launched its Institute of Childhood Trauma and Attachment, which is dedicated to transforming how child and youth-serving sectors respond to children and youth who have experienced traumatic experiences and attachment disruptions.

The George Hull Centre has been consistently rated one of the top charities in Canada by Charity Intelligence Canada for its reporting, transparency and accountability, and for the second year in a row is a Top 10 Impact: Canadian Youth Charities. The Centre is accredited by the Canadian Centre for Accreditation.

As a not-for-profit organization, the Centre is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The recruitment and nomination of Directors is carefully conducted by the Governance Committee to ensure the composition of the Board reflects the diversity of the communities it serves while reflecting the other required skills of the Board as a whole, as outlined in the Board skills matrix.

We are looking for individuals who:

- Can positively impact the Board and the Centre;
- Bring skills and connections that enable the success of the Board's key areas of interest – Finance, Technology, Governance, Fundraising, Healthcare and Mental Health Services. Experience in government relations would be an asset;
- Have an interest in children's mental health;
- Represent the community we serve with particular focus on deep knowledge of the northern and southern Etobicoke communities ;
- Have lived experience from racialized and/or marginalized communities;
- Experience with a children's mental health organization as a parent of a past client;
- Bring a strong willingness to contribute and serve;
- Make a meaningful annual financial donation to the Centre – meaningful defined as an amount that is personally meaningful to the individual Board Member.



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The ideal candidate:

- Has an interest in the Centre's mission and/or children's mental health, and a desire to serve the community;
- Has a desire to leverage professional skills, experience and network in a board capacity;
- Fills a gap in the Centre's diversity survey and skills matrix, as determined at time of recruitment;
- Has previous not-for-profit Board experience or a strong desire to develop this experience;
- Has previous fundraising experience and/or is willing to participate as required;
- Is committed to being an active director, including making time before meetings to review materials, prepare for and regularly attend Board and Committee meetings, and to join a Committee of the Board;
- Has a desire, with increasing experience, to assume more responsibility (e.g. Chair, Vice Chair, Committee Chair, fundraising, etc.);
- Is a member of the Etobicoke/Toronto West community (optional).
- Experience with government-funded agencies or government relations would be an asset

Meetings:

- Official Board meetings of two hours minutes occur nine times per calendar year;
- Committee meetings vary up to 6 times per year;
- Meetings are conducted both in person and virtually.

Please visit www.georgehullcentre.ca to learn more about our programs and services.

To learn more about joining the Board of Directors, please contact reachus@georgehull.on.ca