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I am pleased to submit my candidacy for election as a Director for District 7.

I deeply value the privilege of being a member of a self-regulated profession and upholding the highest standards of conduct and competency. As the Chief of Staff at The Ottawa Hospital overseeing 1,400 physicians, I feel a responsibility to assure our Board of Governors that every physician they are asked to consider for privileging is one that I would want to care for my own loved ones.

Diversity Attributes

As a woman physician leader, I understand the importance of creating a culture of inclusivity and promoting diversity. I provide care in both official languages as an Infectious Diseases specialist at a large academic center and Professor of Medicine at the University of Ottawa. I am committed to our collective academic mandate to train the next generation of physicians to provide high quality care.

Technical Skills

I am passionate about improving patient experience. As the executive responsible for Patient Relations, I respond to concerns and compliments from patients and families. As Chair of the Medical Advisory Committee, I am jointly accountable with our Chief Nursing Officer for ensuring compliance with legislated quality requirements.

I have experience in medicolegal matters, with a Certificate in Health Law from Osgood, and oversee the hospital's claims process. I have an Executive MBA with formal training in financial and human resource management. I have governance training and have served on several Boards.

Behavioural Competencies

Through a recent leadership 360, I was described as a trusted leader who works collaboratively and with empathy to achieve outcomes. Strengths included the ability to think strategically, lead decisively, inspire others, and communicate effectively.