



Catholic Health Alliance
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Memorandum

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Re Communiqué to Catholic health care organizations

From Michael Shea, Chair – CHAC Governing Council

On behalf of the Governing Council of the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada (CHAC), it is with deep regret I announce that James Roche has resigned his position as CHAC's President and CEO. His decision is a personal one and the Council has accepted it.

James has been a vital contributor to the continuing evolution of CHAC over the past 16 years. In his early years with CHAC, he was responsible for writing and producing numerous publications as part of the association's commitment to provide educational resources to members. Later, as Vice-President, he led the development of CHAC's national advocacy role. In 2008, he accepted the position of President and, over the past year, he has devoted his energy to two priority projects: the revision of the *Health Ethics Guide*, and implementation of the CHAC redesign plan. Over the next few months both projects will be coming to completion.

In his time with CHAC, James brought a cohesive vision and deep sense of commitment to the organization. He worked tirelessly to support, and advocate for, those engaged in the Catholic health care ministry. On behalf of the network of Catholic health care providers throughout Canada, we say thank you James and we wish him well in his future endeavors.

James has agreed to carry on in his current role as President until February 2010. During its meeting on November 26, the CHAC Governing Council will develop a plan for his replacement.

If you have any inquiries, please feel free to contact me at Michael.Shea@covenanthealth.ca or (780) 735-9595.

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