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Executive Changes at Windsor Regional Hospital

WINDSOR – In response to a request by London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) and subsequent conversations with the Windsor Regional Hospital (WRH) Board of Directors, please be advised that WRH President and CEO **David Musyj** will be seconded to LHSC as its Acting President and CEO, effective Thursday, May 23.

David and the WRH Board of Directors were directly approached recently by LHSC about this opportunity, and we wish him success in this role. David will remain involved directly in ongoing discussions involving the planning and construction of a new, state-of-the-art acute care hospital for Windsor-Essex.

“We wish David success in his role assisting LHSC,” said WRH Board Chair Patti France. “While we will miss David on a day-to-day basis, we are proud of his achievements here locally, extremely excited for his new opportunity and confident in his leadership abilities in this role.”

In David’s absence, **Karen Riddell** will take on the role of Acting President and CEO for WRH. Riddell has been with WRH since 1999 and in an executive role since 2017. She became Chief Nursing Executive and Chief Operating Officer in 2021.

“Karen is an incredible leader who supported WRH’s clinical team in navigating through the COVID-19 pandemic and the more recent criminal cyberattack, adding to the many years of experience in hospital nursing she already carried,” France said. “It is a testament to WRH’s leadership that we have such incredible ‘bench strength’ to make the changes necessary to ensure continuously strong leadership at the top of Windsor and Essex County’s largest employer.”

Karen will remain Chief Nursing Executive at this time but in order to assist Karen, Nicole Krywionek has been promoted to interim Vice-President for the organization and as such will sit on the WRH Executive Committee and be responsible for Critical Care, Cardiology, Diagnostic Imaging, Patient Relations, Professional Practice, Corporate Education and Training and Clinical Quality and Safety.

About David Musyj

David Musyj joined WRH in 2000 and became the President and CEO in December 2007. Born and raised in Essex County, David is licensed to practice law in both Ontario and the State of Michigan. Under his leadership, the Windsor Regional Hospital vision, Outstanding Care - No Exceptions is a living and breathing statement that has inspired the entire team at the hospital.

About Karen Riddell

Karen Riddell has been a Registered Nurse for 35 years, working in the United States, Northern Ontario and British Columbia prior to joining WRH in 1999. She has been in a VP role since December 2017 responsible for the Critical Care, Cardiology, Diagnostic Imaging, Patient Relations, Clinical Quality and Safety, and Corporate Education and Training Departments. Karen's career is defined by her dedication to continuous system and process improvements throughout her portfolios and the entire organization for the improvement of patient safety and quality of care.

About Nicole Krywionek

Nicole Krywionek, RN, MAL-H, is a 20-year registered nurse with a career spanning several provinces and countries. Her journey in leadership began in 2012, and she brought her expertise to WRH in 2018, as the Director of Critical Care and Respiratory Services. In her new role, Nicole is driven by a deep-rooted commitment to serving her community. Her leadership in health care is motivated by a desire to make a tangible difference in the lives of those she serves. By continuously striving for excellence, Nicole ensures that her community receives compassionate, high-quality, and innovative care.

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