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The Newsletter of Catholic Health International

LAUDATO SI'
Action Platform

"bring the whole human family together . . .
for we know that things can change"
(Laudato Si' 13)

Laudato Si' calls us toward sustainability in the spirit of integral ecology.
With profound care for each other, our Creator, and all creation, we are
building a better future together.

Enroll

WORLD EARTH DAY

Friday, April 22

Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical Laudato Si', "On care for our common home," calls us toward sustainability in the spirit of integral ecology. With profound care for each other, our Creator, and all creation, we are building a better future together. This April 22nd marks the 52nd anniversary of the first World Earth Day. Catholic Health International encourages everyone to participate in the many events and programs available to help celebrate the day and to "learn and grow together as we journey towards full sustainability in the holistic spirit of integral ecology." The Laudato Si' Action Platform offers a library of resources to provide practical, concrete guidance on ways to take action and links to webinars on actions and events. Click here for more information: [Laudato Si' Action Platform](#)

The Catholic Health Association of the United States also offers webinars, prayers and other resources to help celebrate World Earth Day. These resources include documents on *Climate Change and Health* as well as *Healing Communities and the Environment*. To find out more about these and other [World Earth Day Resources](#) or to register for a special webinar on [Integral Ecology: The Bond Between Justice and Caring for Creation](#) follow the links.

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SPOTLIGHT

CHARLES HOLLAND - BOARD MEMBER



Charles Holland is President and Chief Executive Officer of St. Bernard Hospital, a safety-net community hospital that proudly serves residents of Chicago's South Side. Chuck assumed leadership of the Hospital on January 1, 2013. He has served in various administrative roles at the hospital since 1998. Prior to joining St. Bernard Hospital, Chuck worked in planning for the Archdiocese of Chicago working with Cardinal Joseph Bernardin. He holds graduate degrees in Health Law and Social Services Administration from Loyola University, Chicago and from University of Chicago. In 2011 he completed the Ministerial Leadership Preparation Program of the Francis Cardinal George Center for Ministerial Development, a program designed to prepare lay leaders to assume leadership of Catholic healthcare organizations.

Spotlight

Each month, in this column, we will introduce you to one of the members of the Catholic Health International Board of Directors. Mr. Charles Holland, represents one of our Founding Congregations, the Religious Hospitalers of St. Joseph. He became a member of the Catholic Health International Board of Directors in 2019.

SPOTLIGHT QUESTIONS

Where did you grow up and how large was your family?

I grew up in Akron, Ohio. My mother's family came from Italy and had the strongest influence on our family identity and traditions. My father's family had roots in Ireland and Scotland. I have three brothers – all younger than I, and one older sister.

What is your favorite food?

Italian, of course.

What's your favorite travel destination?

Of the places I've been – the Big Island of Hawaii and Italy (where I visited my grandparent's ancestral village) are my favorite. I would like to go to Portugal, explore New Zealand and Australia.

What kind of music do you listen to?

All kinds, but turn the volume up for Motown, classic Rock, Pop and Instrumental

How do you relax?

Peloton. Sitting quietly reflecting.

What was your happiest moment?

Wow, is there just one? And, hope to have more.

What is the toughest job you've had?

My current one, President & CEO, St. Bernard Hospital.

How did you become involved in Catholic healthcare?

A former boss of mine who knew St. Bernard Hospital well, referred me to Sister Elizabeth, the hospital CEO at the time. She was looking for someone "to do some planning." I guess I fit the bill. Twenty-three years later here I am, still.

What do you enjoy most about being on the CHI Board of Directors?

The collegiality. I also enjoy learning about the different institutions sponsored by CHI, how they operate and address similar challenges to my hospital.

What is something that people would be surprised to know about you?

I've run five marathons including Boston.



Seulement de l'éthique?
Faire avancer l'équité dans les soins de santé
Just Ethics?
Striving for Equity in Health Care

7 et 8 avril 2022 | April 7 & 8, 2022

Programme du symposium virtuel
Virtual Symposium Program



Bureau du développement
professionnel continue
Office of Continuing
Professional Development

En partenariat avec:



Centre de bioéthique
Champlain Centre for Health Care Ethics
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The University of Ottawa, the Champlain Centre for Health Care Ethics and the Ottawa Hospital in partnership with Saint Paul University and the Centre intégré de santé et des services sociaux de l'Outaouais will be hosting a two day virtual ethics symposium on April 7th and 8th on the theme "Just Ethics? Striving for Equity in Health Care." For more information and to register click on the following [LINK](#).

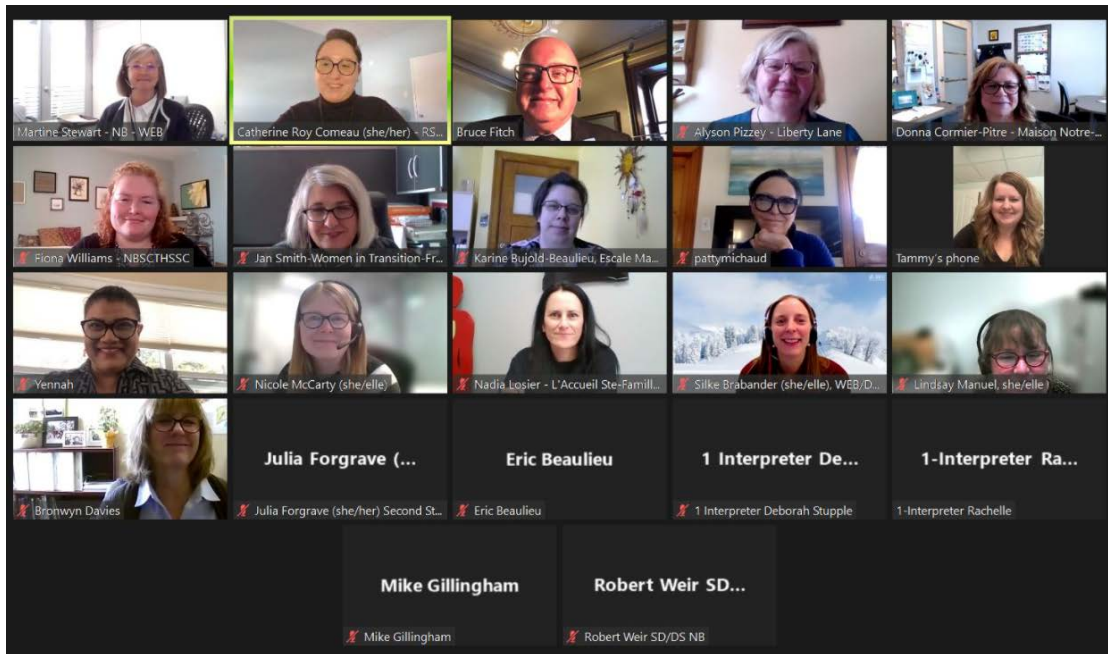
FOYER NOTRE-DAME-DE-LOURDES' DOG THERAPY

Annie Arseneau, Recreation Therapist, at the Foyer Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes, and Brodie, a 3-year-old Bernese mountain dog, are a Dog Therapy team. As soon as Brodie turned one, he was enrolled in the St. John Ambulance Dog Therapy Program. After graduation, he began visiting the residents of the home and doing school presentations with elementary students. Whenever it is safe to do so, during the pandemic, Brodie loves to visit the residents of the home in Bathurst, NB. The residents and staff members love his visits.



*"Brodie,
the Bernese
Mountain Dog
that loves to snuggle."*

Domestic/Intimate Partner Violence Sector Funding



On March 1st N.B. Womens Shelter and the Réseau des services pour victimes de violence du Nouveau-Brunswick, which includes Nadia Losier from L'Accueil Sainte-Famille, held discussions with the Department of Social Development and the Women's Equality Branch of the Government of New Brunswick. The Hon. Bruce Fitch, Minister of Social Development, and the Hon. Tammy Scott Wallace attended. The discussion centered on the funding crisis in the domestic/intimate partner violence (DIPV) sector. It is expected that the groups will meet again to “dive further into the chronic under-funding situation” in the DIPV sector.



The Spring edition of Health Progress is available online. This issue explores "Care Changes From COVID" to see what's working, and what should stay or expand to renew health care into the future. It is available at www.chausa.org. Here some links to their featured articles.

[*What Has the Pandemic Revealed About the Health Care Delivery System?*](#)

[*Unlocking the Mysteries of Long COVID*](#)

[*Preparing Ahead Wisely and Ethically to Stave Off Crisis Standards of Care*](#)

[*In Providing COVID Care, Change Is the Constant*](#)

CATHOLIC HEALTH INTERNATIONAL 2022 VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE AWARDS



THE CATHOLIC HEALTH INTERNATIONAL



*Volunteer
Excellence Awards*

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Catholic Health International recognizes the tremendous dedication of our volunteers and is pleased to accept nominations for the Annual Volunteer Recognition Award. To nominate go to our website: www.catholichealthpartners.com. Deadline for nominations is June 30, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

CHI Board Meeting Dates:

April 13, 2022	May 6, 2022 (AGM-Partners in Mission)	May 18, 2022 (Corporate)
June 1, 2022 (AGMs-Ontario Corporations)	June 20, 2022 (AGMs-Atlantic Corporations)	June 23-24, 2022 (AGM-CHP)

CHAC Annual (Virtual) Conference - Thursday May 12 and Friday May 13, 2022
Looking Within: Creating Culturally Safe Environments of Care for Indigenous Peoples

Kairos Blanket Exercise - Wednesday May 11 th at 1:00 pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish centre in Rothesay, NB.

Leadership Formation Program

New students are being accepted for the next Catholic Leadership Formation Program to be held in the Spring and Fall of 2023 (exact dates to be determined). To register please fill out one of the following forms and you will be contacted with further information:

[English Registration Form](#)

[French Registration Form](#)

For additional information on the program follow this link:

CHI Leadership Formation Program Flyer

or if you have any questions please contact CHI's Director of Education Heather Oakley at hoakley@chpchi.com.

Fall Leadership Council - Yarmouth, Nova Scotia - Fall 2023