



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The John McGivney Children's Centre provides family-centred holistic care to the community, enriching the lives of children and youth with special needs by helping them reach their full potential.

The JMCC Board of Directors is comprised of up to 12 volunteer individuals with a diverse set of skills and expertise.

### **Mandate:**

- Responsible for the effective governance and strategic leadership of JMCC
- Influence the Strategic Plan for JMCC
- Attend monthly Board Meetings and the Annual General Meeting
- Participate as a member on at least one Board Committee (often requiring attendance at a monthly Committee meeting)
- Represent JMCC to members of the communities we serve
- Commit time as required to fulfill the responsibilities of a Board Member

Board Members hold office for a term of 3 years with renewal options for subsequent terms.

### **We encourage candidates with:**

- Experience with not for profit organizations, preferably as a Board Member
- Professional experience in the following areas are considered assets:
  - Health Care Administration and Policy
  - Client/Clinical Services
  - Fundraising
- A relationship with JMCC as a past recipient of services or parent of a child who is/was a recipient of services
- Priority will be given to qualified candidates who possess knowledge of Canada's two official languages
- Candidates must be 18 years of age or older

If you are looking for a stronger sense of purpose, and a chance to contribute to the quality of life of our children and families, we can offer you the rewarding opportunity to do both.

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Please forward a letter of interest along with a current resume in confidence to:  
**Board@jmccentre.ca** on or before **January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Please forward this notification to qualified applicants who you think may be interested.

To learn more about the John McGivney Children's Centre, please visit our website at [www.jmccentre.ca](http://www.jmccentre.ca).

## Our Mission, Vision and Values

### **Mission**

The John McGivney Children's Centre provides family-centred holistic care to the community, enriching the lives of children and youth with special needs by helping them reach their full potential.

### **Vision**

We are a centre of hope, support and inspiration for children and youth with special needs and their families; working together toward a future of participation, acceptance, and opportunities.

### **Values**

Our Values guide the work of the Centre:

- **Accountability:** We accept responsibility for our actions and decisions and demonstrate commitment to accomplish work in an ethical, efficient and cost effective manner
- **Collaboration:** We work together as an organization with families and our partners to support and achieve shared goals in the best interest of children, families and the community
- **Quality:** We provide services that meet the emerging needs of our clients and seek new opportunities to improve services
- **Resourcefulness:** We apply creative, innovative and collective knowledge to find answers for opportunities and challenges
- **Respect:** We value diversity and equity, and treat people with fairness, courtesy and impartiality
- **Transparency:** We operate in a manner that makes it easy for others to appreciate and understand our actions as an organization

### Services

The John McGivney Children's Centre (JMCC) provides a variety of services to approximately 2,700 children each year, with disabilities and special needs in Windsor-Essex County. We believe that our services and programs can and will make a difference in the quality of life of our clients and will provide them the opportunity to develop to their full potential. Our services are provided to our clients at the Centre, in their homes and in community schools and serve children from birth to 21 years of age with one or more of the following:

- Neurological conditions (e.g. cerebral palsy and head injury)
- Birth Defects (e.g. Spina Bifida)
- Muscle disorders (e.g. Muscular Dystrophy)
- Trauma (e.g. fractures, post-surgical)
- Illness (e.g. cancer)
- Unusual metabolic conditions
- Cardiovascular and respiratory conditions
- Cleft lip and/or palate craniofacial conditions
- Autism
- Orthopedic/musculoskeletal conditions
- Genetic disorders (e.g. Down Syndrome)
- Developmental delays

Specialized therapies and services include physiotherapy, occupational therapy, communication therapy, social work, augmentative communication therapy and seating/mobility. In collaboration with the Centre, JMCC School Authority is designed to provide a safe, equitable learning environment for children ages 4-21 that respects the uniqueness of a diverse community with special needs, maximizing the learning outcomes. Exemplary programs and teaching methods, along with intensive rehabilitation services are kept within the Ministry of Education directives and the ultimate goal is to strive for integration into a community school.