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**Transcending The “Paradigm Freeze”:
Strategies for Health Reforms in Canadian Provinces**

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

8:30am to 9:45am

Toronto Ballroom (Convention Level)

Healthcare reforms are on the political agenda in all OECD countries. Canada stands out for its enduring challenges in achieving significant reforms. In this opening panel, we will explore narratives of reforms in various Canadian provinces to assess potential and limitations of current strategies. This session focuses on the question of whether it is possible to transcend the paradigm freeze? Speakers will share their perspectives on this challenge. What do the evidence and experience suggest? What are the challenges for the provinces and the Canadian federation? Where to start and to achieve what?



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As President and CEO of Nova Scotia Health Authority, Janet Knox is focused on creating a healthier Nova Scotia. She believes in working collaboratively with Nova Scotians and key partners to improve care and services and positively shape the future of health and the health system in our province. She brings four decades of health system experience to this role, from Nova Scotia, Canada and beyond. Starting her career as a Registered Nurse, she has extensive experience in clinical care, education, research and health care administration, including 10 years as President and CEO of Annapolis Valley Health. She holds a Bachelor of Nursing from the University of New Brunswick, a Master of Nursing from Dalhousie University, a Master of Business Administration from Saint. Mary's University, and is a Certified Health Executive with the Canadian College of Health Leaders. A strong supporter of community and economic development, Ms. Knox currently serves on the Board of Directors for 211 and HealthcareCAN. As a member of the CEO Health and Safety Leadership Charter she is also committed to working with other leaders to make Nova Scotia the safest place to live and work in Canada.



JEAN LOUIS DENIS

Jean-Louis Denis is professor of health policy and management at the School of Public Health-Université de Montréal, senior scientist on health system and innovation at the Research Center of the CHUM (CRCHUM) and holds the Canada research chair (tier I) on governance and transformation of health care organizations and systems. He is a visiting professor at the Department of Management, King's College London. His current research looks at integration of care and services, health care reforms and health system transformation, medical compensation and professional leadership and clinical governance. In recognition for his academic contribution to the field of health policy and management, he was nominated member of the Academy of Social Sciences of the Royal Society of Canada in 2002 and fellow of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences in 2009. Recent papers have been published in Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law, Organization Science, Academy of Management Annals, Milbank Quarterly, Administration and Society, Implementation Science and Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory. Since 2016, he is co-editor of The Palgrave Organizational Behaviour in Healthcare monograph series.



ROBERT S. BELL

Dr. Robert Bell was appointed Deputy Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, effective June 2, 2014. Prior to this role, he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of University Health Network for nine years. He was previously the Chief Operating Officer at Princess Margaret Hospital and Chair of both Cancer Care Ontario's Clinical Council and the Cancer Quality Council of Ontario.

Dr. Bell received his Doctor of Medicine from McGill University and a Master of Science from the University of Toronto. He also completed a Fellowship in Orthopaedic Oncology at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard University. Dr. Bell is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, the American College of Surgeons and an Honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. An internationally recognized orthopedic surgeon, health care executive, clinician-scientist, and educator, Dr. Bell brings more than 40 years of health care experience to his current role.



CHRIS POWER

What began as a desire to help those in need 35 years ago has evolved into a mission to improve the quality of healthcare for all Canadians. Chris Power's journey in healthcare began at the bedside as a front-line nurse. Since then, she has grown into one of the preeminent healthcare executives in Canada. Her experiences, her success, and her values have led her to the position of CEO of the Canadian Patient Safety Institute. Previously, Chris served for eight years as president and CEO of Capital Health, Nova Scotia. Under Chris's leadership Capital Health achieved Accreditation with Exemplary Status in 2014 with recognition for 10 Leading Practices. Chris holds significant governance roles including incoming Chair of the Canadian Association for Health Services & Policy Research, member of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Governing Council and Board member of Colleges & Institutes of Canada. She is past Chair of the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer and past Co-Chair of HealthCareCAN. Most recently Chris participated as a member of the federal advisory panel on healthcare innovation and through this role has gained even greater insight into the many pan-Canadian organizations that will be beneficial in forming partnerships, leveraging expertise and advancing the goals of CPSI.