

Central Health Board of Trustees

Board Chair Report

October 2022

I'm pleased to share highlights from our open board meeting, held October 25, 2022.

Central Health continues to make progress with its recruitment initiatives. The current focus of our Recruitment Team is how to make **connections with people, including potential candidates, students and new hires**. The People and Culture Recruitment Team continues to be busy with both internal competitions and external recruitment activities.

On a daily basis Central Health staff go above and beyond to care for the people of Central Newfoundland and their dedication has not gone unnoticed. Central Health has been working hard to provide staff and physicians with a proper thank you for their tireless efforts. This includes **Staff Barbecues, Staff appreciation coffee breaks at every site and coordinating employee recognition events, amongst other initiatives**.

The Board had the opportunity to take part in Central Health's Patient Safety Day forum in recognition of Canadian Patient Safety Week from October 24 to October 28. During this event, Central Health presented its annual Patient Safety Award, this year's recipient was the Surgical Services Team at CNRHC – specifically Medical Device Reprocessing and Perioperative Teams.

The Board would like to pass along its thanks to the South and Central Health Foundation who recently approved \$30,000 in funding (through Central Health) for the Excite Corporation/Central Health/Mun Health Simulation Lab project in Grand Falls-Windsor. These funds will go to provide professional development equipment.

The next Open Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2022. This will be our final meeting of the year.

Don Sturge
Chair, Central Health Board of Trustees