

What We Teach Our Children, 2008 Christi Belcourt

The Toronto Birth Centre (TBC) aims to build a space where pregnant people, families and communities can access culturally safe birthing care. The TBC Board is currently recruiting interested individuals for nomination to the <u>TBC Board of Directors</u> and aims to nominate members who can best accomplish the objectives of the TBC, in alignment with its vision, core values, and Indigenous framework.

Participation on the Board is an exciting opportunity to be an integral part of the ongoing development and implementation of the TBC as an innovative midwifery-led initiative.

# *The Board is looking to fill one unpaid volunteer position* for an **Indigenous person** in the role of **President** for a 3-year term on the TBC Board of Directors.

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Self-identifies as an Indigenous person.
- Willing to learn & become familiar with the Toronto Birth Centre & community.
- Ability to attend occasional in-person meetings (the position can be fulfilled predominantly virtually)

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF ROLE:**

The Board of Directors has the ultimate decision-making and authority for all responsibilities outlined in the Integrated Community Health Services Centres Act (ICHSCA), including all matters relating to finances, strategic planning, quality assurance and compliance for the TBC. The Board's membership is two-thirds registered midwives and majority self-identified Indigenous people. The Board is accountable to its clients, the communities the TBC serves, government agencies, institutional partners, and community stakeholders.

The board has abundant support from 15-20 qualified staff, who are responsible for executing the tasks delegated by the board and support the operation and maintenance of the centre daily.

The **President**, with support and in collaboration with the other board members and TBC staff, is responsible for:

- Attending approximately one meeting per month from September through June (each meeting is approximately 2-3 hours long).
- Attending the AGM (usually held in September).
- Attending the annual Board Planning Day (usually held in the Spring).
- Chairing all meetings of the Board and its members: facilitating and safeguarding the process of consensus and decision making, setting agendas, etc.
- Supervising the affairs and operations of the TBC in conjunction with the other Board members & TBC staff.
- Representing the Birth Centre at occasional events and meetings with stakeholders.

# Deadline: Open until position filled.

The appointment process for Board membership with the Toronto Birth Centre is guided by the TBC's Vision, Purpose, Core Values, and Indigenous Framework, and works within an Indigenous worldview.

Please submit an email with subject line **"TBC President"** along with a **Statement of Interest** (max. 300 words) that clearly explains your connection to the Indigenous community(ties), a curriculum vitae, and **two references** to:

## admin@torontobirthcentre.ca

All applications will be reviewed by the Board of Directors. The selected candidate will be invited to stand for election at the earliest convenience of all parties.