BOARD EDUCATION

POLICY

An annual budget will be established for:

- 1. Board retreat
- 2. Conference registration and related expenses
- 3. Educational materials (books, videos, periodicals, etc).

Board members are encouraged to attend the Ontario Hospital Association Annual Convention and OHA governance programs.

The Hospital will pay registration and travel cost for each Board Member to attend a major conference (provincial/national, including OHA convention) and a local conference or seminar annually. The Board Chair and Vice-Chair may be required to attend additional conferences or educational programs to support their role.

The Board through the Chair or CEO may request that members attend additional conferences or educational events of particular relevance.

Board members may request the opportunity of attending conferences or educational events beyond the annual allocation by submitting a request in writing to the Chair.

Board members are expected to report to the Board on conferences and educational events they attend. The CEO will maintain a record of conference/education programs for each Board member.

This policy applies to Board education and not to Board business travel such as meetings with the Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care and the CE LHIN, etc.

The Board of Directors relies upon the integrity of each Board member to use common sense and discretion when choosing educational opportunities.

Approved: Board of Directors

Date: Jan 2004, Apr 2007 (rc), Nov 2010 (r), Feb 2014 (rc)