

Ontario Hospital Association
Small, Rural and Northern Hospitals
Provincial Leadership Council

Terms of Reference

Mandate

The Small, Rural and Northern Hospitals Provincial Leadership Council (SRN Council) advises the OHA on issues affecting small hospitals in Ontario, primarily those in rural and northern communities.

Responsibilities

- Advise and make recommendation to the OHA Advocacy Committee and OHA Board in the development of healthcare policy on issues pertaining to small, rural and northern hospitals.
- To communicate to OHA Board, government, and other relevant hospital and professional groups on issues that impact small, rural and northern hospitals.
- To provide a forum for information exchange, education, examination of issues, development of strategies and preparation of responses and recommendations.

Reporting Relationship

The SRN Council will report to the OHA Board through the OHA President and CEO.

The SRN Council, as a constituency of the OHA membership, has a formal linkage and representation to the OHA Advocacy Committee and may bring forward initiatives, issues or recommendations for discussion/approval as prescribed by the Advocacy Committee Terms of Reference.



Membership

The SRN Council will be comprised of a maximum of 15 members

- Both Chief Executive Officers and Trustees are eligible for appointment to the SRN Council.
- Appointments shall be made by the OHA President and CEO from a list of approved nominees recommended by SRN Council members.
- One member of the OHA Board will serve on the SRN Council.

Term of Office

Appointments are for a two-year term with eligibility for one second two year term. Appointments coincide with the OHA Annual General Meeting.

The term for the Chair position is a two year term renewable for one additional term. The chair will be appointed by the OHA President and CEO based on recommendations by the SRN Council.

Quorum and Meetings

Decisions will be made by consensus. The majority of the members will constitute a quorum when necessary.

The SRN Council meets quarterly and/or at the call of the Chair. Meetings may be held by teleconference.

Expenses

Committee expenses are reimbursed by the OHA according to approved OHA policies.

Committee Staff Support

The Policy and Public Affairs Division will provide support to the Council.