

Stollery Women's Network advisory and sub-committee member nomination process

Each year, the Stollery Women's Network (SWN) advisory committee recruits new members to replace retiring members from the Stollery Women's Network advisory and its sub-committees.

Our nomination process is designed to manage expectations of our volunteers and ensure our committees balance the skills we need to support our initiatives.

We value applicants with a diverse range of skills, experiences and competencies, and especially welcome applications from racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous Peoples, persons living with disabilities, LGBTQ+ persons and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

Advisory and committee structure

We offer our committee members rewarding and meaningful volunteer experiences by supporting fundraising and awareness events, as well as offer in-hospital volunteer opportunities, when available.

Our advisory members establish and oversee the SWN yearly strategic initiatives, while our sub-committees support Foundation-managed and community events and initiatives.

Time expectations

SWN advisory and sub-committee members serve a two-year term, with the potential of a one-year extension to their term. (*Terms are subject to committee member turnover, revision in the event deliverables and/or commitments are not fulfilled.)

Advisory members attend one-and-a-half hour monthly meetings as well as one annual strategic planning session (three hours). Sub-committee members attend their own committee meetings as required. Additional

commitments include attending educational and fundraising events hosted by SWN.

Currently, all planning meetings are held virtually. When we return to inperson meetings they will be held in Edmonton and with the option to attend via phone or video conference. SWN advisory and sub-committee members can expect to spend a minimum of 40-50 hours annually, in addition to any additional volunteer opportunities that might be of interest.

Support and fundraising expectations

Our purpose is to expand our network of champions who support excellence in children's mental and physical health care. We serve as ambassadors and advocates in our communities, working to raise funds that support programs, equipment and research to advance children's health. We raise awareness about Foundation initiatives and have the opportunity to volunteer in a number of programs and events that support Stollery kids and their families.

There is an expectation that SWN advisory and sub-committee members will attend events, introduce people to the network and assist in seeking support for our events.

Recruitment process

Those interested in becoming a member of the SWN advisory or a sub-committee will be asked to complete the application form located on the SWN webpage on the committee tab. We encourage you to submit a personal CV or resume as well as a letter of intent explaining their interest to the SWN program director as well.

We value a candidate's interest in our network. Based on the needs of the positions available, as well as availability of volunteer positions, we will select candidates, taking into consideration their expertise, knowledge of the industry, areas of inclusiveness and diversity, connectivity to the Hospital and the Foundation as well as past volunteerism.

Timing of recruitment

Candidate recruitment begins in February/March, with terms beginning at the beginning of June every year. A sub-committee of advisory members will form a recruitment committee to evaluate and interview candidates. New committee members will begin their terms in June following an orientation process.