



## **Chief, Department of Midwifery London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) & St. Joseph's Health Care London**

The successful applicant will endeavor to highlight the incredible advances in midwifery and lead new robust evolutions in hospital partnership, academic opportunities; paving a rich journey of growth, recognition, expression and continued learning for the role of midwives through this City-Wide position in our supportive health care community, London, Ontario, Canada.

The Department of Midwifery was founded in 1997 and enjoys a foundation where Midwives practicing in London have admitting privileges at LHSC and enjoy collegial interdisciplinary working relationships with obstetrics, nursing, and family medicine. Midwifery representation is regularly sought on many relevant citywide committees and task forces, including continuous quality improvement.

Primarily partnered with LHSC, and aligned with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, our new Chief will find LHSC is a research intensive integrated surgical and medical service health care organization whose mission is to promote excellence in patient-centred care together with their healthcare partners for women and their families, and through education and research relating to all aspects of women's healthcare.

The majority of City-Wide Department Chiefs in London benefit from combined Chair/Chief appointments with our academic partner, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. The new Chief, Midwifery will embrace a pursuit to similar academic standing for the Midwifery Chief and ascertain the possibilities of a deeper partnership or liaison with a McMaster University which has a Midwifery Academic Program.

The new Chief will be an exceptional leader with the vision and scholarly profile to understand and develop the complex interrelationships between the clinical, teaching and research strengths of the Department in an evolving health care system. This individual must have a strong record of clinical service, quality improvement, and leadership in both clinical and continued academic activities. Furthermore, the successful candidate will have demonstrated competency in scholarship and the vision to expand the strengths of integrated teaching and research programs of the department. He/she will be an excellent communicator, able to advocate for the departmental mission and goals to its partners and to the community.

The successful candidate will be a Registered Midwife with the College of Midwives and a member of the Association of Ontario Midwives (AOM). The individual will have a minimum of five years clinical experience as a Registered Midwife with a comprehensive understanding of and commitment to the principles of the model of midwifery in Ontario. He/she will possess experience and expertise in a senior midwifery leadership role with demonstrated administrative capabilities, including a demonstrated ability to develop relevant processes, well-developed communication skills with experience in effective conflict resolution and will be prepared to develop collaborative inter disciplinary relationships and foster involvement of midwives in our academic mandate and continued research endeavors. The Chief appointment is for a five year period, with the possibility of renewal for an additional term following an appropriate review process.



**To apply:** Please submit your application, including curriculum vitae, statement of career goals, highlights of accomplishments, names and contact information for three (3) references to the following:

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Review of applications will begin after November 15, 2019 with an anticipated start date of June 1, 2020 or as negotiated.

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