



Announcing Woodstock Hospital's Incoming President & CEO

Further to the June 27, 2018 announcement of the retirement of the Woodstock Hospital's President & CEO, Natasa Veljovic, the Board of Trust is pleased to announce that Perry Lang, Chief Operating Officer, has met the CEO selection criteria and accepted the role of President & CEO starting January 1, 2019.

Mr. Lang has been the Chief Operating Officer of Woodstock Hospital since 2007. In this role, he oversees ongoing business operations within the hospital and supports continuous improvements to offer high quality health care services to the community. He started at the hospital in 1998 as the Director of Finance and later, Chief Financial Officer. He was involved with the construction of the new hospital from the beginning and played an instrumental role in ensuring building timelines and budgets were met. He oversaw the hospital's construction cost and the approximately \$25-million of new equipment.

Concurrent with the new hospital operations, Mr. Lang was responsible for the decommissioning and demolition of the old hospital site. He also is a champion in the development and construction of the WH Professional building on Athlone Ave.

Mr. Lang was instrumental in developing the information technology component of the hospital's Strategic Plan, aligning the HR plan with the Post Construction Operating Plan to ensure a smooth transition into the new facility. Together with excellent staff, he also assisted in the development of the technology plan, enabling Woodstock Hospital to be a leader in this field.

"Under Perry's leadership as COO, the hospital has progressed through tremendous change and growth. His dedication to the values and culture of WH, his extensive knowledge of hospital operations and his proven leadership abilities will serve the organization well as he assumes this role" said Brent VanParys, Chair of Woodstock Hospital Board of Directors.

"I am eager to advance my leadership role at Woodstock Hospital. Throughout my 20 years at this organization, I have witnessed innovation, collaboration, and the dedication of staff who work at this outstanding facility. Building on the success of my predecessor, I look forward to working alongside everyone at the hospital to guide WH into the next evolution of healthcare," said Perry Lang, Chief Operating Officer, incoming President & CEO.

About Woodstock Hospital

Built in November 2011, Woodstock Hospital is a 178 bed, full-service community hospital, providing primary care to a population of 55,000 and specialized care to nearly 110,000 within the County of Oxford. The new facility offers a wide range of health programs including Maternal Child, Women's Health, Specialized Surgical Services, Inpatient and Outpatient Mental Health Services, Dialysis and Rehabilitation Programs, a Systemic Therapy Program and an MRI. Our full service facility works closely with our community partners to provide our patients with healthcare services, close to home.

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