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Province appoints new members to EM/ANB Board of Directors

MONCTON – The New Brunswick Department of Health and EM/ANB Inc. are pleased to announce the appointment of five new members to the EM/ANB Board of Directors.

The appointment of new members following a public call for interest marks a significant step forward in strengthening governance and enhancing public representation in the province's health care system.

These changes are part of a broader effort to modernize the composition of the EM/ANB Board to a more independent and diverse group of directors drawn from the public. The move will take the board from one comprised solely of staff from provincial government departments and regional health authorities to one with members from the public appointed through the province's Agencies, Board and Commissions (ABC) application process, which promotes transparency, inclusivity and broader community representation.

"The paramedics, nurses and other health care professionals of EM/ANB who provide emergency, home and primary care services to New Brunswickers when they need them most play a vital role in our health care system," said Health Minister Dr. John Dornan. "By bringing more independent and diverse voices to the Board of Directors, we are strengthening EM/ANB's governance. These changes will help ensure high-quality service delivery and support our broader goal of prioritizing accessible, quality care to ensure the well-being of every resident, now and into the future."

Following a public call for interest earlier this year, five new members have joined EM/ANB's board.

The newly formed board includes:

- **Sandra Clark**, of Rollingdam;
- **Justin D'Entremont**, of Campbellton;
- **Rick Doucet**, of St. George;
- **Rita Labrie**, of Dieppe; and,
- **Kurtis Sisk**, of Saint John.

Margaret Melanson, from Horizon Health Network, and Sharon Smyth Okana, from Vitalité Health Network, remain on the board, ensuring continuity from the previous leadership.

"This is a milestone moment for EM/ANB," said Rick Doucet, chair of the board. "I am honoured to be part of a team of individuals who bring a wealth of experience and diverse perspectives. Together, we're committed to ensuring reliable, effective, and transparent governance of the organization."

EM/ANB Inc., a Part III government entity, operates within New Brunswick's health care system alongside the Horizon and Vitalité health networks. Changes to the board composition align with



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recommendations from the Auditor General and supports efforts to enhance the organization's accountability and public trust.

"This evolution in governance is an important step forward," said Craig Dalton, CEO of EM/ANB Inc. "We are grateful to all those who expressed interest in serving, and we welcome our new members as we continue working to provide reliable, high-quality emergency, home and primary care services across the province."

A second public call for interest is currently open, and New Brunswickers interested in contributing to the province's health care governance are encouraged to apply. More information is available [here](#).

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