



# Call for New Member – Board of Directors

*What We Teach Our Children, 2008 Christi Belcourt*

The Toronto Birth Centre (TBC) aims to build a space where women, families and communities can access culturally safe birthing care. The TBC Midwives' Council is currently recruiting interested individuals for nomination to the TBC Board of Directors and aims to nominate members who can best accomplish the objectives of the TBC, in alignment with its vision, core values, and Indigenous framework.

The Board of Directors has the ultimate decision-making and authority for all responsibilities outlined in the Independent Health Facilities Act license agreement, including all matters relating to finances, strategic planning, quality assurance and compliance for the TBC. The Board's membership is two-thirds registered midwives and majority self-identified Indigenous people. The Board is accountable to its clients, the communities the TBC serves, government agencies, institutional partners and community stakeholders.

***The Midwives' Council is currently looking to recommend one position:***

- a General Registrant Midwife who would like to fill a 1-year vacant term on the Board with the possibility of extension for an additional 3 year-term. Midwives who stand for election to this position can be Indigenous or non-Indigenous.

Participation on the Board is an exciting opportunity to be an integral part of the ongoing development and implementation of the TBC as an innovative midwifery-led initiative.

The appointment process for Board membership with the Toronto Birth Centre is guided by the TBC's Vision, Purpose, Core Values and Indigenous Framework, and works within an Indigenous worldview. Self-identified Indigenous midwives and those who have a strong track record of ally work with Indigenous communities are encouraged to come forward.

Board members will commit to attending monthly meetings of the Board of Directors, and will be prepared to chair a committee or working group. Midwives with skills and expertise in public relations,

finance, law, community engagement and other non-clinical areas are especially welcome. Previous Board experience is not required.

**Please submit your Statement of Interest (max. 300 words), a curriculum vitae, and two references to:  
the Board Nominations Working Group of the Midwives' Council  
c/o [tbcboardposition2017@gmail.com](mailto:tbcboardposition2017@gmail.com)  
by August 15th at 12:00 pm.**

Statements of interest will be reviewed by the Board Nominations Working Group of the Midwives' Council, who will facilitate an election if needed. Selected candidates will be put forward for election at the TBC's Annual General Meeting on September 28, 2017.