

## **Ontario Chiropractic Association welcomes new Chief Executive Officer**

**Toronto ON, May 24, 2018** – The Board of Directors of the Ontario Chiropractic Association (OCA) is pleased to welcome Caroline Brereton as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) effective June 4, 2018. Ms. Brereton joins the OCA after her most recent tenure as Chief Executive Officer of the Mississauga Halton Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) and Vice Chair of the Ontario Association of Community Care Access Centres (OACCAC) Board of Directors, where she collaborated with multiple partners to help drive our province's health care system transformation to integrated, patient-centred care.

OCA President Dr. Ken Brough says Ms. Brereton's expertise in health care management, proven ability to build relationships in the health sector, and skill at delivering strategic focused results will be a tremendous asset to the OCA.

"This is an exciting time for chiropractic in Ontario, and Ms. Brereton brings a wealth of knowledge and experience that makes her an ideal choice for this important leadership role," said Dr. Brough. "Given our focus on the continuing integration of our profession through collaborative care to tackle Ontario's musculoskeletal (MSK) challenges, we are very pleased to have her join our team."

"Chiropractors play a vital role in getting Ontarians pain free and mobile through evidence based, patient-centred care, and the OCA is an important part of that story," said Ms. Brereton. "I am looking forward to leading this team and continue our work to further integrate chiropractors into our health care system to help patients get the right care, at the right time in the right place."

She has contributed to the delivery of quality health care in Ontario in an impressive range of progressive roles ranging from nursing to leadership. She moved to Trillium Health Centre (now Trillium Health Partners) in 1998, where she held several senior level positions, from Director, Medical Health Systems, to Vice President, People, Corporate and Clinical Support Services. At Trillium, she applied a new leadership philosophy and accountability framework to initiate customer service models that improved patients' experience and outcomes. She was also honoured to lead the implementation of the University of Toronto's Mississauga Medical Academy and the Shared Service West Organization transformation, on behalf of four organizations.

Ms. Brereton is a Registered Nurse with an MBA. She participates in a number of not-for-profit boards and is active in her community.

### **About The Ontario Chiropractic Association**

Founded in 1929, the Ontario Chiropractic Association represents the professional interests of more than 3,500 Ontario chiropractors. Chiropractors are spine, muscle and nervous system experts specifically trained to diagnose the underlying cause and recommend treatment options to relieve pain, restore mobility and prevent reoccurrence so that people can lead healthy active lives.

More than two million Ontarians rely on chiropractic care every year to help them get back to work and back to doing the things they love. For more information about chiropractic care or to find a chiropractor in your area, go to [www.chiropractic.on.ca](http://www.chiropractic.on.ca).