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President's Message



Submitted by
Raymond Ramdayal
Toronto Public Health
CIPHI Ontario President

As we begin 2018, I am pleased to provide you this update from CIPHI Ontario Branch.

Last November, the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors, along with many of our partners, responded to the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care expressing concern regarding proposed amendments to Regulation 566 which would remove qualification requirements for certain Board of Health staff including public health inspectors, and placing them into another accountability framework.

I wish to thank those CIPHI members, and non-members of our organization, who echoed our voice in advocating for a stronger public health system by ensuring only qualified and certified individuals conduct the important work of public health inspectors in Ontario.

Clearly, this message was received loud and clear and we are pleased that the Ministry is now taking steps to strengthen qualification requirements for public health inspectors within a protocol under the HPPA. Furthermore, CIPHI Ontario provided recommendations to the Ministry detailing specific language that would reflect the positive steps that our organization has taken over the last several years which enabled the roll out of mandatory membership for all newly certified PHIs effective January 2017.

CIPHI Ontario continues to participate in consultations as the protocol document takes shape and will continue to work in the best interests of our members and the profession.

As I reflect on the past two months, I was impressed to hear the collective voice of public health inspectors across the province and their commitment to advocate for their profession. Formal letters were submitted to the MOHLTC from many organizations. The following list is not exhaustive, but includes:

- Association of Supervisors of Public Health Inspectors of Ontario (ASPHIO)
- Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA)

- International Federation for Environmental Health (IFEH)
- National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)
- Members of Provincial Parliament
- Medical Officers of Health
- Ryerson University
- Conestoga College
- The Council of Professional Experience (CoPE)
- The Board of Certification (BOC)
- Presidents of other CIPHI Branches including Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

CIPHI Ontario continues to receive many kind words of appreciation for our work on behalf of our members and our future. Although we may not be able to respond to every email, we thank you for your solidarity and support.

We have a lot to be proud of heading into 2018. We have successfully hosted "Pubs with PHIs" events at both Ryerson University and Conestoga College; we have represented CIPHI on an global stage at the International Federation for Environmental Health; and, early indications are showing that our recent conference in Peel Region may be the most successful and profitable Ontario Branch conference on record!

Now, more than ever, I encourage you to become a member of CIPHI if you are not already. Recent events demonstrate the importance of joining CIPHI and maintaining our role as public health practitioners. CIPHI remains constant in our mission to advance our profession and be the voice of our members.

I hope you take time to reflect on the past year and the important work you do. On behalf of the Executive, we wish you and your family a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2018.

Sincerely,

Raymond Ramdayal
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**Have you
registered for
your 2018
CIPHI Ontario
Membership?**

See the last page of the
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2018 registration form,
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Newsletter Submissions

To all members, tell us about your news! If you have information about new projects, personal milestones, past or upcoming events, informative or humorous work experiences, personal photographs, or if you are interested in being interviewed for the newsletter, send an e-mail to the Editor at:

Ontario Branch News Editor
Eric Devine
E-mail: editor@ciphi.on.ca

Article submission criteria:

- All topics must be relevant to the field of Public Health Inspection
- Articles must be submitted in MS Word
- Articles submitted should be approximately 150 words
- Feature articles should be a maximum of 500 words
- Feature articles will be determined by the editorial team
- Pictures should accompany articles where possible with proper information and credit

Please note that your article may be edited or shortened by the Editor to accommodate the space in each edition.

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Featured Article

Michael Bragg: Celebrating 50 Years of Membership

Ontario Branch and indeed all who have had the pleasure of crossing paths with Michael Bragg can unanimously speak of his commitment and devotion to the Institute and profession.

Mike made an extraordinary contribution not only to Oxford County, but also to CIPHI and the public health field. He was a dedicated leader to Oxford County for 45 years and prior to his retirement in 2012, Warden Don McKay noted Mike's range of knowledge and expertise on municipal issues as a loss to council and to the administration. He remarked Mike was a great motivator, highly regarded leader and connected on a personal level with his staff.

Mike started working as a Public Health Inspector in Oxford County on September 1, 1966. He graduated Ryerson Polytechnic Institute in 1968 and received certificate #1754 following his CPHI(C) designation. Mike was promoted seven times and progressed to the head of the Environmental Health department before becoming Director in 1971. His portfolio expanded to include planning and emergency services. Following his directorship, Michael was named interim CAO before his formal appointment in March 2009. This accomplishment spoke volumes as it was unheard of for a Public Health Inspector to serve in a position traditionally held by a Medical Officer of Health. He was an outstanding role model for PHIs, and those who aspire for more in the environmental health profession.

Michael believed in continuing education, earning an undergraduate degree from Wilfred Laurier in 1977 and a Master in Public Administration in 1993.

As a long-serving member of the Oxford County administration, Mr. Bragg's exemplary leadership resulted in numerous accolades. His responsibilities for public health and emergency response included the 1978 polio outbreak, the largest outside of the Netherlands; the 1979 tornado that devastated parts of Hickson, Woodstock, and all of Oxford Centre; the 1984 food poisoning at the Oxford Regional Centre resulting in 200 illnesses and three deaths, and the *Rubella* outbreak in 2005, which drew national attention. He led the planning, construction and



opening of the public health offices in the old "gaol" in 1986 and oversaw the expansion of the EMS service with ambulances and crews into rural areas resulting in improved response times.

Mr. Bragg stated his work "allowed me to do a bunch of things in my professional life outside of work because having a supportive employer for so long has allowed me to take positions in national and international organizations, particularly in public health, which is where I spent the vast majority of my career."

Mr. Bragg said he is proud of his work for Oxford County, but a couple of accomplishments stand out. First, he served as national CIPHI president, initially in June 1984 and after re-election in September 1986. When reflecting on his role as National President he said: "I think I'm the only person to have done that for that period of time simply because change over in the organization meant that I got re-elected. We did a lot of good things. There were a lot of frustrating moments trying to work out health issues in various provinces across the country where it's addressed differently and managed differently, so that was a real education for me, sitting in that [presidential] chair."

As National President, he spoke of a few accomplishments to the Ontario Branch Membership:

- Organized the first joint meeting of NEHA and CIPHI at a conference held in Winnipeg. This was the first

time cross border relationships between public health inspectors was built.

- Conducted a study on the "Future role of Public Health Inspectors"
- Developed the Newfoundland and Labrador Branch of CIPHI
- Was happy to report that, after a 6 year lapse, Quebec will be reinstating their branch

Michael received several accolades from CIPHI and was awarded the CIPHI Life Membership in 1993, received the Award of Merit for Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Health in 2009 and has also been included in the prestigious "100 Members of Distinction" document published by CIPHI in its centennial year. Michael was known for his loyalty to the profession and passionately addressed the needs of the Institute to political and Ministry officials.

Niels Dube said, "His career is inspirational to all Public Health Inspectors that strive to go beyond the conventional norms of the occupation. His success literally opens up the skies for anyone that is, or becomes, trained as a Public Health Inspector. Mike taught us the unlimited potential of being a PHI in a field that is increasingly diverse."

**Credit to several articles posted in the Woodstock Sentinel Review, CIPHI 100 Members of Distinction and CIPHI Ontario Branch News.*

Featured Article

Martin Tonary: Celebrating 50 Years of Membership

Those who know Martin Tonary attest to his professional dedication and the Institute. It is not surprising he maintained his membership with CIPHI and reached this important milestone.

When Membership Councillor Lori Holmes, first spoke with Mr. Tonary two years ago, he was extremely kind to correct her, noting he was still two years shy of his 50 years of CIPHI membership. Now that he has officially reached his 50 year membership milestone, we are honoured to celebrate not only his membership with CIPHI, but also his contributions to the profession.

As stated in the *Atlantic Branch: A Historical Sketch* by Mr. Robert. C Estabrooks in 2006, "Martin followed in his father's footsteps, Mr. John Francis Tonary, to become the first son of an inspector to take up the profession. Martin's father received his CSI certificate, #507 in 1946 and became the first CSI in the Atlantic health unit in Dartmouth which also covered Halifax County.

Martin was the first member of the Atlantic Health Unit to attend Ryerson and became the first second generation of PHIs in the Atlantic Provinces. At the age of 21, he received CPHI(C) Certificate #1563 in September of 1965.

Martin had a keen interest in ensuring his level of expertise never waned. He was certified in 1971 as a Civil Engineering Technologist by the Society of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists of Nova Scotia; he was elected to the society's executive in 1973 and served as president for two terms. He was awarded life membership to the society in 1987. He completed French language training at the Canadian Coast Guard College in 1985 and completed the Canadian Institute of Management program.

His contributions to CIPHI have been exemplary. He first joined CIPHI in 1967 and shortly thereafter, was elected President of the Nova Scotia Mainland Chapter, and became president of the Atlantic Branch in 1971. Although he served as President, his dedication to the institute shone through when he served as secretary to the Atlantic Branch from 1974-1975. He served as the Corresponding Member, but attended all



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meetings to the Board of Certification for seven years and was tasked with handling the foreign applicants file with the assistance of Tim Sly. This file was very active at the time due to overseas advertising by some provinces.

During his career Martin represented Health Canada on the Atlantic committee that was considering a 2-year PHI program at University College of Cape Breton (UCCB) in early 1980. While UCCB declined at the time, several years later, a Bachelor of Technology program became available. Martin proposed the current 3-year degree program at UCCB to Steve Manley, the Dean of Science and Technology and to the Environmental Studies Professor, Dr. John Coldwell. The degrees were approved and functional the following university year. Martin also served on UCCB Advisory Committee for 4 years.

Career Highlights:

- Martin joined Health Canada, Medical Services Branch in 1976 in Cape Breton as an Environmental Health Officer.
- Appointed Regional Manager, Environmental Health, Ontario Region in 1984.
- Ontario Region and the National Capital Region merged in 1986 and was promoted to Regional Environmental Health Officer for all programs of this combined Region.
- Assigned for a year at Headquarters in 1987, as Project Manager with the assistance of an IT advisor to determine the hardware, software, and communications needs of the national Public Service Health Directorate.

- Took advantage of early retirement in 1995. After retirement, worked for a year as Senior Environmental Health Officer, Baffin Regional Health Board and for a year with Health Canada as the Acting Senior Advisor, First Nations and Inuit Environmental Health Services.
- He continued working with CIPHI after retirement. He served on the Retirees Advisory Committee (The Senators) as the Federal Representative from 2005 until 2012.

His career has taken him all over the country, and as he mentioned to Lori, he only missed out on seeing the Yukon. The field of public health and inspection still remains near and dear to his heart and to this day, recommends it to "young folks," as he was so fortunate to have family influence and multiple examples showcasing the importance of a career in public health.

Martin and Marilyn have been married for over 50 years, have three adult children and two grandchildren all living within an hour's drive from them. They were avid campers and RV'ers for over 30 years. They have been Snowbirds since 2004 and for the last seven years, enjoy their winters in their Zephyrhills, FL park model mobile home. Marilyn has been an ardent tennis player for over 40 years and plays 4 days a week at home and 6 days a week in Florida. Together they enjoy family gatherings, bridge, euchre, and dances.

Photograph is of Martin and his wife Marilyn enjoying the entertainment at the President's Banquet on October 3, 2017.

2017 CIPHI Ontario Annual Educational Conference

On October 1-4, 2017, the Region of Peel hosted the 78th Annual CIPHI Ontario Branch Education Conference at the Pearson Convention Centre in Brampton, Ontario.

Highlights of the conference included:

- Keynotes and speakers who informed and entertained delegates while emphasizing the importance for public health professionals to have the courage to lead, connect, and innovate.
- Recognition of **Martin Tonary** and **Michael Bragg** for 50 years of membership with CIPHI Ontario.
- Interactive workshops on fundamentals of enforcement and personal wellness.
- Social night hosted at Stryke Target Range, and the annual golf tournament hosted at the Lionhead Golf & Conference Centre.

At the Annual General Meeting (AGM):

- **Kate Beath** will continue in her role as Branch Secretary-Treasurer,
- **Tamika Latibeaudiere** was re-elected as the Advocacy and Policy Councillor, and
- **Kwesi Douglas** was newly elected as the Strategic Communications and Partnership Councillor.

Summaries of the Ontario Branch Executive Councillor reports and working group reports have been included in this edition of the Ontario Branch Newsletter. Full reports will be made available on the CIPHI Ontario website.

A sincere thank you to the Region of Peel Conference Organizing Committee for planning and hosting an educational and entertaining conference. Special thanks to **Wendy Pons** (co-chair), **Danny Martin** (co-chair), **Rosemary Basile**, **Maybellyne Biley**, **Jennifer Constantino**, **Toula DiClemente**, **Paresh Gandhi**, **Barbara Gilewicz**, **Jakub Graczyk**, **Trent Jackson**, **Leonora Joanes**, **Walter Lacuna**, **Tania MacDonald**, **David Matesic**, **Kyle Meikle**, **Shain Mergulhao**, **Michelle Ng**, **Brenda Poole**, **Karolina Rolka**, **Eric Tram**, and **Michael Tran**.

A sincere thank you to **Ron Marchand** for sharing conference photographs, some of which have been featured in this edition of the Ontario Branch News. More of Ron's photography from the conference can be found on his [Flickr](#) account.

The Middlesex-London Health Unit will host the 2018 conference; details will be provided to members as information becomes available.



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Summary of Councillor Reports

ADVOCACY AND POLICY REPORT

Over the past year, the Policy and Advocacy portfolio has been engaged in:

- **On-going discussions with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care** to provide feedback on documents that will transform Ontario's public health sector (i.e. Ontario Public Health Standards protocols and guidelines; *Standards for Public Health Programs and Services Consultation Document*; *Public Health within an Integrated Health System: Report of the Minister's Expert Panel*).
- **Participating on the Environmental Public Health Week Planning Committee** with CIPHI members across Canada, contributing revisions to the EPHW Planning Guide, developing social media content, and distributing the EPHW Communication Package to the CIPHI Ontario Branch listserv.
- **Developing an integrated work plan** for CIPHI Ontario working groups and executive council to capture activities related to the strategic plan and budget forecasting.

Summary based on full report provided by:

Tamika Latibeaudiere Palmer, BA, BAsC., PGCert CPHI(C)
CIPHI Ontario Branch Policy & Advocacy Councillor

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Over the past year, the Professional Development portfolio has included:

- **Development of a Needs Assessment Survey** for Public Health Inspectors in Ontario to evaluate knowledge gaps and provide learning opportunities of interest to members. The project has been completed in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and Public Health Ontario.
- **Assembly of the Professional Development Working Group (PDWG)** to help CIPHI Ontario offer more opportunities for professional development to members.
- **Continuation of the monthly PHI Seminar Series**, which has drawn the attention of PHIs in Ontario and nationally.

Summary based on full report provided by:

Rachael McArthur, BAsC., BSc., CPHI(C)
CIPHI Ontario Branch Professional Development Councillor



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Summary of Councillor Reports



STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIP COUNCILLOR REPORT

Over the past year, the Strategic Communications and Partnership portfolio has included:

- **Recent updates to the CIPHI Ontario website**, with a goal to continue providing updates to provide more stability and other useful features.
- **Collaboration with the Professional Development Councillor**, Rachael McArthur, to develop and continue to offer the PHI Seminar Series, after acknowledging a need to supplement members' professional development hours with content that is educational and thought-provoking about the scope of practice for PHIs.
- **Launch of the "Congratulations and Welcome Program"**, which involved handwriting and mailing cards to our newest CIPHI members, to recognize the challenging accomplishment of becoming a PHI, and to offer a personal touch on behalf of the executive council.
- **Intention to form a Partnership Working Group** to maintain and build upon relationships with current partners, and develop new relationships for a revenue stream not dependent on membership fees.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Eric Devine BAsc, MPH, CPHI(C), CIC
Strategic Communications & Partnership Councillor*

MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT & ENGAGEMENT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Over the past year, the Membership Support and Engagement Support portfolio has included:

- **Collaboration and engagement of students** at Ryerson University and Conestoga College, where members of OBEC provided presentations and attended events to build relationships, share experiences, and provide mentorship to students.
- **Development of work plan tool** with the Policy and Advocacy Councillor to assist OBEC and working groups by creating structure and consistency and ensuring linkages with the strategic plan.
- **Providing volunteer opportunities** through the reinstatement of the Professional Development Working Group. Student volunteer opportunities have been provided through the Membership Working Group and Communications Working Group.
- **Enhancing membership** by continuing to engage non-members, and collaborating with ASPHIO to garner support from public health directors and managers to consider the importance of CIPHI membership at their respective health units.
- **Representing CIPHI Ontario on ministry-led initiatives** including the Modernization of Public Health legislation and Ontario Standards for Public Health Programs and Services.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Lori Holmes, HBKin., BAsc, CPHI(C)
CIPHI Ontario Branch Membership Support and Engagement Councillor*

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Summary of Working Group Reports



FOOD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

Membership:

Michelle Martin, Chair (Durham Region Health Department)
 Clothilde Howieson (Eastern Ontario Health Unit)
 Steven Rebellato (Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit)
 Danny Martin (Peel Public Health)
 Theresa Warren (Lambton Public Health)
 Brian Thompson (Toronto Public Health)
 Nik Tymoszewicz (Halton Region)
 Stefanie Georgopoulos (Durham Region Health Department)

Accomplishments:

- **Michelle Martin** represents CIPHI on the Guelph Food Safety Seminars committee; she planned and staged a one-hour seminar presented by Jim Chan in November 2016, and was involved in planning the annual symposium.
- **Clothilde Howieson** is a representative on the Inter-agency Council on Food Safety (ICFS) and Food Outbreak Recall Committee (FORC), providing a voice for CIPHI through the endeavours of both groups. The ICFS assessed proposed changes to Ontario Regulation 562 and Healthy Menu Choices Act. As a member of FORC, Clothilde presented on the ON-FIORP at the CIPHI Ontario Annual Educational Conference in 2016.
- **Steven Rebellato, Danny Martin, Theresa Warren, Nik Tymoszewicz, Brian Thompson, and Stefanie Georgopoulos** have continued to serve the FSWG admirably this year, giving feedback and thoughtful critique on our many projects.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Michelle Martin, MSc, CPHI(C)
 Chair, Food Safety Working Group*

MEMBERSHIP WORKING GROUP REPORT

Membership:

Andrea Cooper (Ottawa Public Health)
 Dennis Persaud (Peel Region Public Health)
 Henna Malhotra (Toronto Public Health)
 Lawrencia Ntiri, Chair (York Region Public Health)
 Lori Holmes, ad hoc (Membership Support & Engagement Councillor)

Accomplishments:

- **Professional Development Advocacy:** Submitted letter to ASPHIO stating the importance for health units to prioritize PHIs with active CIPHI membership attendance at provincial and national conferences.
- **Membership perks:** Survey created and finalized for dissemination to CIPHI Ontario branch members to determine viable incentives that can be offered to members for retention of existing members and increasing membership rates.
- **Awards and Bursaries:** Received nomination for the following awards: Award of Merit, Award of Excellence, and BOC Bursary Nominee.

Goals:

- **Increase student presence:** Communication has been made with Ryerson University and Conestoga College with the intention of offering positions for student representatives on the committee.
- **Survey results:** Obtain and analyze results from member perks survey and bring forth recommendations to the executive committee.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Lawrencia Ntiri, Chair
 Chair, Membership Support Working Group*

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Summary of Working Group Reports



INFECTIOUS DISEASES WORKING GROUP REPORT

No written report provided for 2017.



HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS WORKING GROUP REPORT

Ruxshin Amooyan (Hastings Prince Edward Public Health)
 Brenda Armstrong (Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit)
 Ratna Pardal (Toronto Public Health)
 Lal Rishi (Niagara Region Public Health)
 Shawn Telford (Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry)

Accomplishments:

- **Emerging issues:** The working group met to discuss emerging health issues, including community lead exposures from shooting ranges, Seoul virus in rat populations, and the Ontario recreational water standard for E. coli of 100 CFU/100ml.
- **Modernization of Public Health Standards:** Consolidated response was provided from the working group for inclusion in the CIPHI Ontario response on the Modernized Standards for Public Health Programs and Services.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Brenda Armstrong BAsC, MPH, CPHI(C)
 Chair, Healthy Environments Working Group*



COMMUNICATIONS WORKING GROUP REPORT

Membership:

Eric Devine (Councillor, OBN Editor, University Health Network)
 Brandon Krupa (Co-Chair, Niagara Public Health)
 Jeanine Middleton (Co-Chair, Ottawa Public Health)
 Rafael Barros (Public Health Agency of Canada)
 Norair Bonyadi-Rodriguez (Certified PHI)
 Dennis Persaud (Peel Region Public Health)
 John Cannan, ad hoc (Hastings & Prince Edward County Public Health)

Accomplishments:

- **Ontario Branch Newsletter:** Two issues have been produced since the working group accepted the responsibility to produce the newsletter. The layout has been updated, and new features have been added to offer original content for members.
- **Social Media:** The working group has taken the lead role in the CIPHI Ontario social media accounts. A survey was circulated to assess CIPHI members' preferences for use of the platforms to inform these accounts.
- **Student interest:** The working group is in the process of providing volunteer opportunities to students at Ryerson University and Conestoga College.

Goals:

- Increase member engagement and frequency of OBN publication
- Increase social media presence to share news and information important and relevant to members.
- Modernized the CIPHI Ontario website to ensure content is up to date and shared in a user-friendly and functional format.
- Develop partnerships with other public health organizations to offer more resources and opportunities to members.
- Explore opportunities for partnership funding for the CIPHI Ontario website and Ontario Branch Newsletter.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Jeanine Middleton, BAsC, OHS(C), CPHI(C)
 Co-Chair, Communications Working Group*

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP REPORT

Membership:

Rachael McArthur, Temporary Chair (Durham Region Health Department)
 Aldo Franco (Region of Waterloo Public Health)
 Shain Mergulhao (Peel Public Health)
 Brian Rawson (Peel Public Health)
 Rashed Khoshnood (Durham Region Health Department)
 Lynn Liu (Student PHI Candidate)

Accomplishments:

- Working group reinstated in May 2017.
- **Brian Rawson** has assisted with maintaining and running the CIPHI Ontario Seminar Series, including finding speakers, administrative tasks, and promotion through partners (i.e. Ontario Health Promotion E-Bulletin and National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health websites).
- **Rashed Khoshnood** has helped update and maintain the CIPHI Ontario YouTube channel by updating posted videos with descriptions, titles, and ensuring videos have uploaded properly.
- **Aldo Franco** has volunteered as a speaker for the CIPHI Ontario Seminar Series in February 2018, and is working on making professional development opportunities easy to access for other PHIs and members.
- **Lynn Liu** has been a liaison between the working group and the student community, and was vital in arranging student presentations for our November presentations.
- **Shain Mergulhao** has provided ideas for potential workshop that CIPHI Ontario could host or co-host. Our hope is to offer a workshop opportunity in 2018.

Goals:

- Develop and recreate the CIPHI Ontario Professional Development webpage to improve access to professional development opportunities.
- Continue to develop the CIPHI Ontario PHI Seminar Series
- Host or co-host at least one workshop in 2018.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Rachael McArthur, BAsC., BSc., CPHI(C)
 Temporary Chair, Professional Development Working Group*

BOC REPORT

- **BOC results:** Statistics for passing rate at the April and October 2016 BOC exams will be made available on the CIPHI Ontario website.
- **National Appeals:** 4 appeals received for the April 2016 BOC exam (1 Ontario candidate), and 5 appeals received for the Ontario 2016 BOC exam (5 Ontario candidates). None of the 2016 appeals were upheld.
- **2016 Ontario Examiners:** In 2016, 84 examiners were selected from 94 applications, with representation from 26 health units and 3 external agencies.
- **BOC-Approved Schools:** The six BOC-approved schools in Canada are: British Columbia Institute of Technology, Concordia University, First Nations University, Cape Breton University, Conestoga College, and Ryerson University.

Summary based on full report provided by:

Norine Schofield, BOC Ontario Branch Representative - Ontario Exam Coordinator

BRANCH HISTORIAN REPORT

- In 2016 and 2017, progress was made with reorganizing and sorting materials in the storage locker. New contributions to the collection were received from PHIs.
- A tribute was made to Les McCreesh by Dennis Persaud in the Environmental Health Review as part of the unofficial Historian committee.
- Communication will be sent to the membership seeking further contributions of historical artifacts and documents.

Summary based on full report provided by:

Grant Lafontaine, CIPHI Ontario Branch Historian

CoPE REPORT

- Finalize updates and French language translation for the Professional Development Model of the CPC Reference Guide.
- Finalize communication strategies regarding PDH opportunities for members, progressive compliance processes, PDH qualification changes, and appeals processes for Mandatory Membership.
- Finalize CIPHI's Progressive Compliance remediation framework and procedures for the CPC Program under the new model of Mandatory Membership
- Finalize integration of the Reduction of PDH Declaration into, and audit functionality of, the Member Service Centre Professional Development module.
- Evolve strategies for increasing CPC Program participation rates.

Summary based on full report provided by:

*Michelle Marcus, MSc, CPHI(C) & Beth Driscoll, MA, CPHI(C), CHA, PMP
 Council of Professional Experience - Ontario Branch Representatives*

2017 CIPHI Ontario Annual Educational Conference



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News and Updates

2018 Curling Bonspiel Update

Planning and organizing for the 2018 curling bonspiel is in full swing, here in Belleville.

Game schedules have been sent to all team captains, allowing players to know if they can sleep in, or if they'll need to wake up early to play the first game.

The Friday night social event plans have changed slightly (new venue and entertainment) due to a better option being discovered. Prizes for participants are being collected with an eye out for items from local producers and suppliers.

CIPHI has graciously donated some seed money to us and we are using these funds to arrange for buses to transport everyone safely to and from the curling rink. "Arrive Alive Thanks to CIPHI" is our theme for this donation.

We look forward to seeing all you curlers in January.



Credit: Ron Marchand

Awards for CIPHI Ontario Members

Congratulations to the following CIPHI Ontario members who were recently recognized for excellence in their work:

Catherine Egan

CIPHI National Alex Cross Award

For the member who displays the highest standards of professional practice during the past year.

Danny Martin

EHFC Clifford E. Van Alstyne Communications Award

For the member who displays commitment, involvement, or innovation in the field of environmental health with a focus on communication in all of its forms within the national environmental public health community.

Dennis Persaud

EHFC Clifford E. Van Alstyne Communications Award

For the member who displays commitment, involvement, or innovation in the field of environmental health with a focus on communication in all of its forms within the national environmental public health community.

Ramien Sereshk

EHFC Lilli Ann Zahara Award

For the member who displays the highest level of dedication, commitment, inspiration, and leadership in the field of environmental health.



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PD Hour Entry Tips

When is the deadline to enter my PD hours?

All PD hours for 2017 must be entered **no later than January 31st 2018**. Start early!

Where do I go to enter my PD hours?

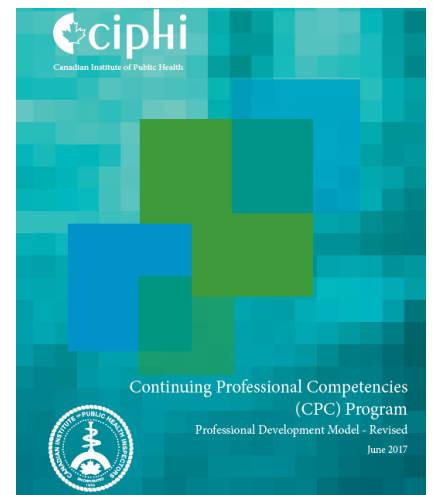
1. Visit <http://www.ciphimember.ca> to access the Member Service Centre (MSC).
2. Under 'Professional Development' (left column), click 'Log PD hours'.

Where do I find the document that explains the categories?

CPC Professional Development Model:

<http://www.ciphi.ca/pdf/prodev.pdf>

- Use this version (June 2017) when entering hours!
- **'Section 4: Minimum Requirements' on page 6** explains PD hour requirements and categories.
- CoPE is working on simplifying the categories. Once completed, a simplified 'PD Hour Entry Tool' reflecting all the changes will be provided on the MSC.



What if I am not practicing full time?

1. Complete a **'Declaration of Reduction of Professional Development'** form: http://www.ciphi.ca/pdf/declaration_of_reduction.pdf
2. Upload/attach the completed form to your professional practice entry on the MSC.
3. Enter your minimum PD hour requirement by January 31st of the following year*.

** Non-practicing members must meet a minimum requirement of 2.5 PD hours.*

Remind your colleagues to enter their PD hours!

Questions? E-mail cope@ciphi.ca



Which Branch will have the highest percentage of members entering PD hours for 2017?

Top 3 Branches for 2016: 1. Manitoba 2. Saskatchewan 3. New Brunswick

Tributes

Remembering Our Members in Passing



LINDSAY GEMBICKI

(GEMBICKI, Lindsay Hannah)

On September 29th, 2017 at Princess Margaret Hospital

Cherished daughter of Natalie Gembicki and Alfie Gembicki. Devoted and loving sister of Jeffrey. Soulmate of her fiance Avi Neimet. Treasured grand-daughter of the late Frances and Mac Levson, and Willy and Hinda Gembicki. Beloved niece of Hedy and Rob Steen, Stuart and Judy Levson, and the late Arthur Levson and Bella Seidel. Adored cousin of Eric, Joanna, Samantha, Ben, Jeremy, Jordan, and Jaimee.

Lindsay was blessed with many special and dear friends and family. She will truly be missed by all who were privileged to know her.

Memorial donations may be made to Lung Cancer Canada at (416) 785-3439.

[Steeles Memorial Chapel](#)

GERALD ZANGARI

(Geraldo (Gerry) P. Zangari)

April 3, 1934 – June 3, 2017

Gerry passed away after a brief illness, at Health Sciences North, Sudbury, Ontario.

Beloved husband of almost 41 years of Heather Bartram Zangari, beloved father of Kathryn (Joshin George) and beloved grandfather of Nathaniel and Cecilia. Gerry was predeceased by his parents, Nick and Anna (Alloi) Zangari, and brothers Benny and Robert (Noella). He is survived by his sister, Shirlee Crack (Bob Beer) and several nieces and nephews.



Gerry was born in Espanola, ON and educated at Nairn Public School, Scollard Hall in North Bay, Espanola High and Ryerson. Gerry helped out at his parents' hotel, The King George, in Nairn Centre. He was the Township Clerk of Nairn. He also worked at INCO. He was employed as a Public Health Inspector for the Sudbury and District Health Unit from 1967 until he retired in 1996.

Gerry enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping for years and participated in a memorable goose hunt in James Bay in his younger years. He played fastball for many years with the Espanola District Mens Fastball League, playing for Nairn Centre. Gerry was also an avid curler playing for many mixed teams and with the Pensioners League playing in Coniston, Falconbridge and Sudbury. He enjoyed many years of Florida vacations with his family and in later years, ocean cruises.

Gerry was a proud member of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. He served on the Board of Directors for the Sudbury Civic Employees Credit Union and the Nickel District Conservation Authority. Gerry was a Life Member of the Societa Caruso, a member of the Minnow Lake Lions, and a member of the Espanola Elks and Lively Elks. He was part of the Parkinsons Support Group.

[Lougheed Funeral Homes - Book of Memories](#)

In Loving Memory

Final Thoughts

Keep in touch with CIPHI Ontario

Find CIPHI Ontario online through your favourite social media outlet for the most up-to-date news and events throughout the province.

Remember to visit the CIPHI Ontario YouTube page to view past recordings of the CIPHI Ontario Seminar Series.

Stay informed by signing up for the CIPHI Ontario listerv on the homepage.



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Happy New Year from the Communications Working Group

As the year of 2017 has drawn to a close, the Communications Working Group would like to extend our wishes for a safe, exciting, and happy new year to all CIPHI Ontario members, their families, and friends. We hope this year brings you more opportunities to grow, learn, and continue to advance your knowledge and skills.

We look forward to bringing you more news in the year ahead.



CIPHI Members GoodLife Membership

If you're planning to register for a gym membership in 2018, remember that CIPHI members receive a preferred rate with a **GoodLife Fitness Corporate Membership** at:

<https://corporate.goodlifefitness.com>

For a rate of \$499.00 per year, or \$24.00 bi-weekly, this membership will give you access to over 250 GoodLife Fitness Clubs across Canada, and 30 Energie Cardio Clubs in Quebec, with a variety of amenities and classes available at each location. The membership may also be extended to up to 4 additional family members.



For any questions about this opportunity, please e-mail John Cannan at pres-elect@ciphi.on.ca.

We'd love to hear from you

The Ontario Branch Newsletter is always interested in hearing about your stories, projects, and events. You may have noticed our new segment bookending the stories of a newly certified inspector and retired inspector; we are hoping to continue this segment in upcoming editions, and would love for you to share your experiences with us, or for you to nominate someone who you think has an interesting story to tell. E-mail to the OBN Editor at editor@ciphi.on.ca



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Membership Period – January 1 to December 31, 2018

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
Surname First Middle (For identification purposes) Day Month Year

Certificate Number (if applicable): _____ Year Issued: _____

Home Address: _____
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Home Phone #: _____ / _____ Home Email Address: _____
Area Code

Present Employer *: _____ Work Phone #: _____ / _____ Ext. _____
Agency Area Code

Fax #: _____ / _____ Work Email Address: _____
Area Code

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* Please enter your school if you are applying for student membership.

On the table below, please **circle the dues amount** that corresponds with the Branch and Membership Type you wish to apply for. If you reside outside of Canada please select International Membership.

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Membership Type	Branch							
	British Columbia*	Alberta*	Saskatchewan	Manitoba	Ontario	New Brunswick*	Nova Scotia / PEI*	NL
Tax Rate	5%	5%	5%	5%	13%	15%	15%	15%
Regular Dues (by branch)	\$200.00 plus tax	\$200.00 plus tax	\$200.00 plus tax	\$200.00 plus tax	\$200.00 plus tax	\$200.00 plus tax	\$195.00 plus tax	\$190.00 plus tax
Total Dues With Taxes	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$226.00	\$230.00	\$224.25	\$218.50
Retired Dues \$50.00	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$56.50	\$57.50	\$57.50	\$57.50
Student Dues \$50.00	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$52.50	\$56.50	\$57.50	\$57.50	\$57.50
Fraternal Dues \$120.00	\$126.00	\$126.00	\$126.00	\$126.00	\$135.60	\$138.00	\$138.00	\$138.00
International Dues	\$105.00 (taxes not applicable)							

* CIPHI is required to collect the higher tax rate of the participating provinces / territories.

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Continuing Professional Competencies Declaration – I am aware that if I hold a CPHI(C), then to be eligible for regular or international membership in CIPHI, I must participate in the Continuing Professional Competencies program and I am required to maintain records of my annual professional development hours on the Member Service Centre (<http://www.ciphi.ca/info-centre/continuing-professional-competencies-cpc-program/>). I am aware that this is not required for other membership types.

Code of Ethics Declaration – I have read the CIPHI Code of Ethics (<http://www.ciphi.ca/pdf/codeofethics.pdf>) and as a member of CIPHI acknowledge my moral obligation to uphold these ethics in a manner worthy of the Environmental / Public Health profession.

Release of Information Declaration – I am aware that my personal information will be used in accordance with CIPHI's privacy policy, National Operating Policy 2 (<http://www.ciphi.ca/pdf/NOP2.pdf>).

In accordance with this policy, by checking the following boxes I give permission for CIPHI to provide my name and contact information to CIPHI stakeholders for the purposes of: CIPHI Fundraising Information to Corporate / Affiliate Members

My signature below confirms I have read and understand the above declarations and hereby make application for Membership in the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. This application implies that membership is to continue until resignation is tendered, or until membership is discontinued under the conditions contained in the By-Laws of the Institute.

In addition, I authorize to have the credit card above debited for the selected amount, if I have selected that method of payment.

Printed Name

Signed Name

Date

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