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President & CEO

Centre of Excellence on Post-Traumatic Stress & Related Mental Health Conditions

Location: Ottawa, ON.

In May of 2018, Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), in partnership with The Royal Ottawa Health Care Group, announced the creation of a Centre of Excellence on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and other Related Mental Health Conditions. The Centre will conduct applied research, create and share knowledge, and develop tools to support the assessment and implementation of best practices in the treatment of mental health conditions that impact Veterans, Canadian Armed Forces members and their families. RCMP Veterans, other first responders, their families and other Canadians affected by PTSD and related mental health issues will also benefit from the research, information and knowledge sharing conducted at the Centre.

A new not-for-profit entity to be based in Ottawa, VAC has committed \$17.5 million in funding for the Centre over the next four years, and \$9.2 million each year afterwards. Once fully operational, the Centre will employ approximately 50 professionals, including researchers, educators, administrators and support staff. It is within this exciting context that the Centre is seeking its inaugural **President & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**.

Reporting to, and working in close collaboration with the Centre's Board of Directors, as CEO you will provide strategic leadership in the establishment and growth of the Centre including its governance, and strategic and administrative underpinnings. As the Centre's activities take full shape, you will have ultimate accountability for providing vision and leadership on research, policy development, education, and knowledge translation and dissemination while cultivating collaborations with Canadian mental health clinical and research networks that increase Canadian expertise related to military and Veteran mental health, suicide prevention and substance-use disorder issues.

You hold an MD, PhD or other graduate-level qualification in psychology, psychiatry, or other mental health disciplines. An outstanding communicator and leader highly skilled at establishing effective relationships with diverse stakeholders and partners, you bring previous experience working with Veteran and military populations and demonstrable knowledge of PTSD and related mental health condition clinical treatment, modalities, and support systems. The Centre will benefit greatly from your strong business and administrative acumen, your skill in the translation and implementation of research, from your demonstrable success in fostering excellence and leadership of scholarly, research and clinical activities, nationally and/or abroad, and in your experience developing the programs, policies and infrastructure needed to support the establishment of a new enterprise. You bring sound governance knowledge gained reporting to, or serving on, a Board of Directors. Visionary, entrepreneurial, passionate, diplomatic, politically astute, and outcomes-oriented are all terms people would use to describe you. An ability to work effectively in both of Canada's official languages is preferred.

To apply for this position, please submit your application and related materials to adumont@boyden.com and **state the title of the position in the subject line of your e-mail.**



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We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those under consideration for the role will be contacted.