

Huntington Society of Canada Announces New Chief Executive Officer

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April 27, 2020 (Waterloo, ON) – The Huntington Society of Canada (HSC) is pleased to announce its board of directors has named Shelly Redman as chief executive officer. Shelly will assume her new role effective May 25, 2020.

"Shelly is a strategic executive and dedicated advocate who brings proven leadership to the role at a critical time for the Huntington Society of Canada," says Mack Erno, chair of the HSC board of directors. "During this time of advancing research and clinical trial progress, we value Shelly's knowledge and experiences working in health care and the health care system. Shelly's organizational leadership experience and extensive clinical experience as a nurse

practitioner will ensure our organization continues to advocate for the needs of those affected by Huntington disease (HD) in Canada."

Shelly has a strong track record of informed engagement and empowering leadership in the not-for-profit, health and wellness sector. Shelly has most recently served as chief executive officer, chief nursing officer of St. Leonard's Place Peel, a position she held through a transformational period for that organization. She has a comprehensive understanding of the health care system and has worked directly with individuals and families impacted by HD. She understands the needs of individuals and families, the importance of research and the value of our grassroots community and volunteers.

"On behalf of the board of directors, I am very excited to welcome Shelly to the HSC team," adds Erno. "Shelly's focus on building strong teams and commitment to bringing people together will be invaluable to our community".

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Huntington disease (HD) is a debilitating brain disorder that is fatal and incurable. About one in every 7,000 Canadians has HD and approximately one in every 5,500 is at-risk of developing the disease. Many more are touched by HD whether as a caregiver, a family member, or a friend. Huntington disease is often described as having the symptoms of Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and ALS — simultaneously. As the disease progresses, a person with Huntington's become less able to manage movements, recall events, make decisions and control emotions. The disease leads to incapacitation and, eventually, death.

The **Huntington Society of Canada (HSC)** is a respected leader in the worldwide effort to find a meaningful treatment for Huntington disease. HSC is the only Canadian health charity dedicated to providing help and hope for families dealing with Huntington disease across Canada.

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