

Serving as Volunteer Board Member of the Lymphedema Association of Ontario (LAO)

The Board of the LAO is comprised of a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 10 Directors. Directors serve as volunteers with remuneration for expenses related to long distance telephone calls or travel for required board meetings.

Applications are being accepted from interested members of the lymphedema community with a strong desire to help promote the awareness and education of lymphedema for residents of Ontario to fill vacancies as they arise.

All Board Members must be members in good standing of the Lymphedema Association of Ontario. Directorship is available to those living with lymphedema, family members and their caregivers. Health professionals who are NOT in private practise are also eligible and very welcome.

Regular meetings of the Board are held six to eight times per year, via teleconference. In addition, there is an annual full day planning meeting (on a Saturday) usually planned in the Spring (at the beginning of our fiscal year).

Additionally, each Director is expected to participate in at least one other committee of the Board (e.g. Conference, Governance, Finance and Audit) and is also required to attend LAO's signature event – the annual conference, to answer questions to interested people about our membership, programs and services. A Board term is three years, renewable for three consecutive terms.

The next Annual General Meeting of the LAO is in late May (via Webinar). It is at that meeting that the nominations (as approved by the LAO Board) will be presented to the general members for election.

Please complete the following application for consideration by the Board and submit to us as soon as possible, but no later than August 15, 2017.

You may mail, or email your completed application.

Volunteering - LAO Board of Directors

Volunteer Board Members are active participants at the Lymphedema Association of Ontario. The Board of Directors acts in a position of trust for the lymphedema community and is responsible for the effective governance of the organization. It guides the development of services and programs in response to community need and sets the tone of responsible stewardship to ensure policies, procedures and performance are upheld.

Qualifications

To ensure a strong and effective governance board, the LAO would expect expertise in **a minimum of one of the following areas**. As well, Board members would reflect the cities across Ontario that the LAO serves.

Please check 3 of your strongest skills:

- Finance & Audit
- Risk Management
- Human Resources
- Legal
- Fund Development, Communications
- Marketing
- Strategic Planning
- Leadership

Please check all that apply

- Community Profile / Influence
- Previous volunteer experience
- Previous Board experience / governance

Please check committees of interest

- Events/Fundraising
- Membership
- Advocacy
- Corporate Sponsorship

Board Member Nominee Application Form

Name	
Contact Information Including fax and email address	
Educational Background	
Work Experience	
Other Volunteer and/or Board Experience	
Proficiency with technology tools (email, Microsoft Word, opening and reviewing documents etc.)	
Skills you think would benefit the organization	
Why you want to become an LAO Board Member	