

Dr. David M. Kaplan MD, MSc, CCFP - Announcement

It is our great pleasure to announce that, following a competitive process, Dr. David M. Kaplan is the successful candidate for the role of Provincial Clinical Lead, Primary Care at Health Quality Ontario. In this position, Dr. Kaplan will provide expert clinical leadership to HQO's focus on primary care quality and quality improvement. A particular emphasis will be to establish a comprehensive approach to support and motivate Quality Improvement/Practice Improvement in primary care on a large scale (all primary care, regardless of funding or delivery model) leveraging existing networks and key foundations already established within the sector.



In this role, he will serve as the Chair of the Primary Care Quality Advisory Committee, a group of experts and leaders in primary care quality in Ontario that advises on the direction of HQO's strategy. He will also be member of the HQO's Provincial Quality Implementation Committee that brings together Provincial and Regional Clinical Leads for quality to establish direction and promote quality and quality improvement across Ontario.

Dr. David Kaplan is a family physician whose practices comprehensive family medicine with obstetrics. He graduated from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto where he also completed a residency in Family & Community Medicine. Prior to his medical training, he completed his graduate training in the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation and the Joint Centre for Bioethics in the Faculty of Medicine. His clinical practice is located in the North York Family Health Team and he is on staff at North York General (NYGH). He is an Associate Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and Joint Centre for Bioethics at the University of Toronto where he teaches in the pre-clerkship, clerkship and post-graduate medical programs.

Dr. Kaplan was Family Physician-in-Chief (Interim) and Medical Program Director at NYGH from 2006-2008. From 2005-2013, he served as Chair of the Research Ethics Board at NYGH. Since 2009, he has held regional primary care leadership roles in the Central Local Health Integration Network, both as Primary Care Physician LHIN Lead and Primary Care Lead for Diabetes and Chronic Disease Management and Prevention.

Dr. Kaplan was awarded the inaugural Integrated Medical Education Award from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine in 2013. He was also awarded the 2013 Innovation Award from the Society of Graduates of the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation in recognition of his significant contribution to the fields of health policy and health management. Dr. Kaplan participates in numerous volunteer community activities and has served on the Academic Board of the University of Toronto and the Senate of York University.

Dr. Kaplan will report to the Chief, Clinical Quality at Health Quality Ontario (HQO) and work closely with other members of the HQO senior team.

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Kaplan on his appointment to this important role.