

March 20, 2019

Dear Colleagues and Friends:

The Canadian Health Leadership Network (CHLNet) is very pleased to invite you, and others from your organization (especially emerging health leaders), to attend a special ***By Leaders, For Leaders*** leadership dialogue reception on **Wednesday, May 1, 2019 with Michael B. Decter, a Harvard trained economist and President and Chief Executive Officer of LDIC Inc.** Michael previously served as Deputy



Minister of Health for Ontario and Cabinet Secretary in Manitoba. He is a well-recognized expert on health care policy and was the founding Chair of the Health Council of Canada. He continues to serve as the Chair of Medavie Inc. and Patients Canada. In 2004, Michael was awarded The Order of Canada. In 2018, Michael was appointed to the *Premiers Council on Improving Medicare and Ending Hallway Medicine*. The focus will be on his own leadership journey and health care policy, centering around Michael's most recent experience with the Premier's Health Council as well as his ongoing work as chair of Patients

Canada. This conversation will also highlight key lessons learned from his life-long leadership journey and will be moderated by **Kathy MacNeil, CEO of Island Health** and one of CHLNet's Cochairs.

This Leadership Dialogue is the next in a series of candid conversations about leadership and the future of health and health care. In the last ten years, prominent speakers have included the Honourable Michael Kirby, Jeffrey Simpson, the Honourable Preston Manning, John Ibbitson, Simon Kennedy, Dr. Chris Eagle, Dr. Jack Kitts, and many, many more. Our last three have featured Dr. Gigi Osler and Carolyn Pullen, Dr. Pierre-Gerlier Forest and Dr. Alika Lafontaine. Similarly, this event will provide a unique opportunity for health leaders to talk candidly about good leadership in the complex adaptive system that is the Canadian health system. It will be held at the **Ottawa Art Gallery (Alma Duncan Salon), 50 Mackenzie King Bridge, Ottawa, on Wednesday, May 1 from 5pm to 8:00pm**. Following the panel presentation, there will be a 30-minute facilitated Q and A session. Based on participant feedback, this year we have chosen to provide an additional 30-minutes of event time (730pm to 8pm) to allow for further informal discourse amongst network partner members.

CHLNet is committed to facilitating a health leadership session that will explore a range of current leadership challenges and opportunities facing the future of Canada's health system. Therefore, the session will operate under the [Chatham House Rule](#) so that everyone can feel comfortable sharing their ideas and comments. This *By Leaders, For Leaders* session will be an opportunity for building leadership capacity across Canada. **As emerging leaders are our future, we encourage each senior leader to bring at least one emerging leader with them as well as any other leaders in your organization who would be interested.** We believe this session will be a very informative dialogue so please feel free to share this invite. To enhance this broader access, it will again be a reception with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

We hope you will all take the time to participate in this dialogue. Please note that as not-for-profits, the charge for this event, to ensure cost recovery, is \$40 per person for CHLNet partners and \$55 per person for non-partners. If CHLNet partners wish to send 10 or more staff from their respective organization, a discount will be applied of \$30 per person.

As always, there is limited space so please confirm your attendance with Melanie Abdelnour as soon as possible by e-mail (mabdelnour@chl.net.ca) or by telephone (613-235-7219 ext. 238).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kelly Grimes".

Kelly Grimes
Executive Director
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c.c. Chris Power and Kathryn MacNeil, CHLNet Co-Chairs