

MEDIA STATEMENT**Ensuring Hospital Governance Remains Strong and Independent**

Toronto, ON - October 8, 2025 - "Independent voluntary governance is the cornerstone of Ontario's hospital sector. Hospital boards are made up of local community leaders who provide vital oversight of local health care decision making. Ensuring that local governance evolves and adapts with the changing needs of communities and the broader environment and remains effective is a core priority of the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) and all Ontario hospitals.

Working with independent experts, the OHA has provided curated governance supports and programs for hospital governors for more than two decades and recently partnered with the Ministry of Health to evaluate changing needs and shape the development of new initiatives and supports, especially in relation to new frontiers of hospital and health system governance. The OHA is deeply committed to ensuring that hospital governance remains strong and highly effective into the future.

For a further understanding of the financial and operational outlook of hospitals, the OHA has released a [statement](#) on its website regarding the ongoing challenges facing the sector for this fiscal year."

- Anthony Dale, President and CEO, Ontario Hospital Association

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Established in 1924, the OHA serves as the voice of the province's public hospitals, supporting them through advocacy, knowledge translation and member engagement, labour relations, and data and analytics with the goal of helping hospitals build a better health system. The OHA is also attuned to the broader strategic questions facing the future of the province's health care system and we work to ensure Ontario's hospitals have a voice in shaping this longer-term vision.

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