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I want to serve on Council (CNO's board of directors), a board whose only role is to uphold patient safety, because the many barriers that Indigenous People face in Canadian health care are at a critical stage. The time has come to have Indigenous representation on Boards to fairly address these issues.

As a nurse and an Indigenous woman, I believe that I have the unique skills to make a difference in changing the healthcare landscape for Indigenous people in Ontario. I believe that I can do this if I am given an opportunity to sit on the CNO Board. My 40-year nursing career as well as having the lived experience of navigating the health care system for myself and my family has made me qualified for this unique role within the CNO.

As a member of Council, I would bring these skills to the board:

My recent experience in sitting on the Food Policy Council in London has given me the knowledge and skills to work effectively and in collaboration with a diverse group of individuals working towards a common goal of serving the community at large.

My leadership skills are well developed as a result of working in a management capacity for various community health organizations through the years. In my management role, I lead various teams through problem solving sessions and I guided individuals through their role adaption in an ever-changing health care environment.

I routinely conduct S.W.O.T. analysis when planning new programs to run in the community.

As a diabetes educator in a Community Health Centre, I have strong communication skills. My communication style adapts to the audience that I am communicating with. This adaptable communication style is demonstrated in both oral and written form.

As a member of Council, I would bring these attributes to the board:

I wholly embrace cultural diversity having spent a good portion of my nursing career working in Toronto at hospitals and in community settings.

I have a proven track record of commitment to providing safe health care to all people living in Ontario, whether they reside in urban or rural settings.

I am an independent thinker. I look beyond what is presented at face value and I search for underlying factors before coming to a decision.