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### ***South East LHIN announces appointment of acting Board Chair Andreas Von Cramon – Board Chair, Wynn Turner term ends***

Belleville, Ontario (October 31, 2012) - South East Local Health Integration Network (SE LHIN) Board Chair Wynn Turner today announced the appointment of Vice-Chair Andreas Von Cramon as Acting Board Chair for the SE LHIN, effective November 1, 2012.

Wynn Turner was appointed to the SE LHIN Board in November of 2008, as Vice Chair in January of 2011, as Acting Chair in June 2011 and was formally publically appointed Chair in February 2012. Wynn's final term ended on October 31, 2012.

Board chairs and directors are appointed by the Provincial Government through an Order-In-Council for a term of one to three years, renewable for two terms up to a six-year maximum.

Andreas Von Cramon was appointed to the SE LHIN Board in April 2010, as acting vice chair in June 2011, and was appointed Vice-Chair in September of 2012. During his tenure, Andreas was an effective chair of the governance and finance committee as well as a serving as a member of the CEO performance committee.

As the Board Chair, Wynn has been a driving force in shaping and guiding the governance and fiduciary responsibilities of the LHIN as it works to improve access to quality health care for the 500,000 residents of the south east.

Some of Wynn's accomplishments to date include:

- Leader in integration and community engagement both at the regional and the local level through the creation of a new Collaborative Governance and Community Engagement Committee;
- Streamlined the committee structure of the LHIN and was successful in reducing the cost of the SE LHIN governance costs significantly;
- Led the committee that resulted in the SE LHIN receiving full accreditation with commendation by Accreditation Canada in January 2012;
- Member of Provincial LHIN Chairs Leadership Council and was a member of the LHSIA Review Working Group.

#### **Quotes:**

“Throughout my tenure I have been blessed with an opportunity to make a difference for people in the southeast to access quality care. We have made great progress in improving the quality and timeliness of patient care, and I am confident that all our SE LHIN service providers and our partners are committed to working together to continue this very exciting trend that improves care transitions and reduces anxiety and pain for patients who are waiting for a needed service.

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I am grateful for the continued and unwavering support and leadership of all the boards across our region working together with the SE LHIN to show that local leadership and collaborative relationships can responsibly manage the many challenges to have a quality and affordable public health care system.”

- Wynn Turner, Outgoing Chair, SE LHIN Board

"As Acting Chair I look forward to building on the solid successes we have achieved as a board over the past six years. My fellow board members and I are fully committed to continuing to build a system of integrated patient care that will improve quality, safety and service efficiency, and we will engage our communities and work with our health service providers to improve the overall patient experience all residents deserve."

- Andreas Von Cramon, Acting Chair, SE LHIN Board

"In welcoming our newly-appointed Acting Chair, I want to acknowledge, gratefully, the accomplishments of our outgoing Chair Wynn Turner. She has worked tirelessly and effectively to establish a governance model that affords us the momentum we need to continue providing all residents across this region with the highest-possible quality of care. It has been a pleasure and an honour to have worked with Wynn."

- Paul Huras, CEO, SE LHIN

"Through her excellent leadership at the South East LHIN, Wynn Turner has developed strong partnerships with health service providers and contributed to an efficient health system for south east residents. I believe that Andreas Von Cramon will continue to build on this ideal in improving access to quality, patient-centred care."

- Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

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