

PARAMEDIC CHIEFS OF CANADA WHITE PAPER INFORMING THE FUTURE OF PARAMEDICINE IN CANADA

- NOMINATION FORM -

Background: The 2006 White Paper titled “The Future of EMS in Canada” served as a catalyst and guidepost helping to stabilize some and advance other features of paramedicine. Paramedicine has advanced and shifted since then and with diverse and broadening states of practice, variable public needs (in some cases unknown needs) and diverse views among stakeholders about what paramedicine is or should be, a renewed understanding of the current and future state of paramedicine is necessary. Therefore, we are conducting a study to explore how paramedicine should be conceptualized and enacted in Canada by 2029 and what might be necessary to achieve it, from the perspective of paramedic stakeholders and community. Toward this goal, the Paramedic Chiefs of Canada in collaboration with the University of Toronto, is inviting the paramedic community to serve as nominators for a study titled “Informing the Future of Paramedicine in Canada”.

Seeking Nominations: We are seeking nominations of individuals in Canada who are well suited to speak on behalf of or about the paramedic profession (e.g., valuable or unique insight, history of meaningful contributions, positions of influence). We encourage nominators to think broadly about who may or should have a say in how paramedicine evolves over the next decade. You may choose to nominate a specific organization or group, however we ask that specific individuals be nominated, if possible.

Your nominations may consider and include, but not be limited to:

- agency type (e.g., ground, air, military, paramedic service – private, public, provincial, municipal, educational institutions, regulators, base hospitals, professional associations, research networks)
- operational roles (e.g., paramedic, paramedic-non-clinical, administrator, paramedic field supervisor or equivalent, educator, dispatchers / communication officers)
- practice setting: (e.g., land, air, rural, specialty (e.g., CBRN), military, community paramedic, international paramedic, emergency department)
- stakeholder group (e.g., directors / chiefs, administrators, regulator, CQI/Standards, researchers / scholars, patient advocate groups, medical director, unions, professional associations)
- geography (i.e., national representation, urban / rural communities)

Please note, there are no certainties that we will contact one or any of the nominations as we have additional criteria for who will be contacted for an interview. In addition, nominating an individual does not guarantee that the nominee will agree to be interviewed. However, our process is dependent on your contributions.

Provide 3 Nominations: Please indicate your nominations by emailing wpnominations@paramedicchiefs.ca with the following information regarding the nominee:

- a. Full name of nominee
- b. Organization
- c. Meaningful role(s) related to paramedicine
- d. Contact Information (i.e., email address and phone number)
- e. Rationale for nomination

In addition, to the extent that you, the nominator feels comfortable, we ask you to provide the following information regarding you the nominator:

- a. Full name of nominator
- b. Organization
- c. Meaningful role(s) related to paramedicine
- d. Contact Information (i.e., email address and phone number)

Questions / Concerns: If you require additional information and/or have any concerns, please contact the principal investigator Dr. Walter Tavares at walter.tavares@utoronto.ca or Paramedic Chiefs of Canada Project lead Mr. Dale Weiss at Dale.Weiss@albertahealthservices.ca.