President's Letter

March 11, 2015

Annual Call for Nominations - NLMA Board of Directors

Three Directors will serve three-year term

Dear Colleagues:

Three NLMA Board members will complete their terms on the Board following the AGM in June. Nominations are now being accepted for the positions of President-Elect, one (1) rural At-Large Director and one (1) urban At-Large Director. All members are invited to submit expressions of interest for these positions. The deadline for nominations is **5 p.m. on Monday, March 23**.

Wendy Graham, MD, CCFP President

Eligibility

Eligible candidates must:

- · be a practicing NLMA member in good standing with the NLMA and CPSNL;
- provide a written statement outlining their reasons for joining the Board;
- · submit a copy of their CV to the Nominating Committee; and,
- commit to attend annually approximately five rotating Board meetings at sites around the province as well as related committee meetings (conducted by teleconference or in person).

The NLMA Nominating Committee will verify in a report to the Board of Directors whether or not nominees meet the criteria for standing in an election process.

Openings

One (1) President-Elect

One (1) Director At-Large (rural)

One (1) Director At-Large (urban)

At-Large Directors

The election of two At-Large Directors, one rural and one urban, is required to fill the vacancies of those members who will complete their terms in June. As per the NLMA By-laws approved at last year's AGM, term of office for the newly elected At-Large Directors will be three years.

Rather than represent a specific specialty, payment modality or geographic region, At-Large Directors are driven by the interests of the entire NLMA membership. To ensure equal distribution of the six At-Large Directors, no more than three (3) members from the St. John's metro region (St. John's, Mount Pearl, Paradise, CBS and the Northeast Avalon) serve on the Board at any given time.

President-Elect

The successful candidate will agree to serve a three-year term on the NLMA Board of Directors to fulfill the executive positions of President-Elect, President and Past-President. This position is exempt from geographical considerations.

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Election Process

Please e-mail or fax your CV and statement of interest outlining your decision to join the NLMA Board of Directors to the Nominating Committee, c/o Lynn Barter, NLMA Associate Executive Director:

Email: lbarter@nlma.nl.ca Fax: (709) 726-7525

If more than one rural, one urban and one President-elect nominations are submitted, the NLMA will hold a general election via online secret ballot. If only one rural, one urban and one President-elect candidates come forward, those candidates will be declared elected by acclamation. In the absence of any nominations/candidates, vacancies will be filled by recruitment, in keeping with the principle of equity.

Past Board members are permitted to submit their names for nomination for any of the vacant positions as long as they have been off the Board for at least one year.

Regards,

Wendy Graham, MD, CCFP

President