

# President's Letter

April 8, 2024



Gerard Farrell, MD

## Call for Nominations - President-Elect & NLMA Board

Dear Colleagues:

Three NLMA Board members will complete their terms following the AGM in June. Nominations are now being accepted for the positions of President-Elect, Rural Director At-Large (1) and Urban Director At-Large (1). All eligible members are invited to submit expressions of interest for these positions. The deadline for nominations is **5 p.m. on Monday, April 22**.

### Eligible candidates must:

- Be a practising NLMA member in good standing with the NLMA and CPSNL;
- Provide a written statement outlining their reasons for joining the Board, which will be shared with voters prior to the election;
- Submit a copy of their CV to the Nominating Committee; and,
- Commit to annually attend approximately five Board meetings, as well as periodic ad hoc virtual meeting as needed, and related committee meetings (virtually or in person) during their term

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) Rural Directors At-Large

One (1) Urban Directors At-Large

### President-Elect

The successful candidate will serve a three-year term on the NLMA Board to fulfill the executive positions of President-Elect, President and Past-President. This position is exempt from geographical considerations. Past and current Board members are permitted to submit their names for nomination.

### At-Large Directors

As per the NLMA By-laws, term of office for newly elected At-Large Directors is 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 on the Board, 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. Past Board members are permitted to submit their names for nomination if they have been off the Board for at least one year.

### Nomination Process

Please submit your CV and Statement of Interest outlining your decision to join the NLMA Board of Directors by completing the Nomination Form linked below. A description of roles and responsibilities of Board Members is available [here](#).

- **Nomination Form:** <https://nlmaforms.formstack.com/forms/nominations>

### Election Process

If more than one rural, one urban and one President-elect nomination is received, the NLMA will hold a general election via online secret ballot. If only one rural candidate comes forward in each category, those candidates will be declared elected by acclamation. In the absence of any candidates, vacancies will be filled by recruitment, in keeping with the principle of equity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gerard Farrell".

Gerard Farrell  
President