



## Call for Falls Expert Faculty

As part of the SHIFT to Safety initiative, Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI), in collaboration with the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO) seeks to secure a team of individuals with expert knowledge on fall prevention and injury reduction who can provide consultation and support for the revision of the CPSI Falls Getting Started Kit.

Through SHIFT to Safety, our goal is to empower providers to prioritize safety when caring for patients, provide information and tools to help answer critical questions, emphasize the importance and power of the healthcare "team," respond effectively to safety incidents, and reduce the risk of injury.

This new version of the Falls Getting Started Kit aims to do just that and we're seeking the individuals to help make it a reality.

### Faculty Role

The primary role the Faculty will be engaged in:

- Assisting in the revision and dissemination of the update of the Falls Getting Started Kit, produced by CPSI and RNAO;
- Consulting on, or contributing to knowledge transfer activities such as national call webinars; and
- Offering expert knowledge to CPSI/RNAO team, on occasion, to respond to queries from the field.

### Faculty Benefits

CPSI has a broad network of expert Faculty members across Canada that support a variety of CPSI programs. CPSI values the experience and expert contributions of our Faculty members as partners who we collaborate with to provide comprehensive evidence-based approaches to patient safety improvement efforts. Below are some of the ways CPSI will recognize and promote this vital partnership:

- Formal recognition as Faculty members in CPSI and RNAO documents and on the CPSI and RNAO website;
- Opportunities to network and develop relationships with other professionals, teams, and organizations; and
- Priority notification and invitation to related CPSI and RNAO learning and networking events



## Expected Commitment

It is anticipated that the Faculty will conduct the majority of their meetings virtually (WebEx). CPSI and RNAO respect the Faculty's commitments and will only engage Faculty members in a level that is fitting for them. Participation on the Faculty is voluntary. Members will be reimbursed for out of pocket expenses in accordance with CPSI policies.

## Process to Submit Expression of Interest

- A. For first-time applicants to the Falls Faculty, please submit a CV (five-page maximum) highlighting relevant background, research, education and work experience and short overview of why you are interested in this role:
  - Your interest in joining the Faculty
  - Specific areas of interest within falls
  - A description of how you envision contributing to the Faculty
  - Potential conflicts of interest
  
- B. For existing CPSI Falls faculty that wish to continue as a member of the falls Faculty, please send your updated CV and provide a brief note indicating your interest for continued participation on the faculty, including:
  - Why you are interested in continuing on with the faculty
  - A description of how you envision contributing to the Faculty
  - Potential conflicts of interest

## Selection Criteria and Process

Faculty will be selected for their knowledge, expertise and/or experience and not as representatives of the organizations with which they are affiliated. All expressions of interest will be reviewed by a selection panel coordinated by CPSI and RNAO.

The panel will be looking for expertise and/or experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Topic specific expertise fall prevention/injury reduction
- Sectoral expertise
- Adult education
- Quality improvement and patient safety
- Research
- Evaluation

## Submission Process

For additional inquiries or questions or to submit an expression of interest, please email Mike Cass at [mcass@cpsi-icsp.ca](mailto:mcass@cpsi-icsp.ca).

The deadline for expressions of interest submission is February 10, 2017.