

Transition plan for new CMA Board of Directors structure

The CMA board is responsible for ensuring that the CMA functions well and manage its affairs. According to good governance practices, a board of an appropriate size whose members have the right skills/expertise and diversity and that includes stakeholder representation (including a non-physician) is a desirable structure. CMA members at the 2018 Annual General Meeting voted to reduce the size of the CMA Board of Directors to 19 seats through attrition.

Under these new bylaws, there will be:

- one seat for each province and territory (except Nunavut);
- one seat each for a student, a resident, the president, the president-elect, the immediate past president and the chair; and
- one seat for a non-physician to bring the patient perspective to the board's deliberations.

The transition to this new board size will occur as current board members finish their terms; the process will be completed by summer 2020.

Position	Number of directors: 2018	Number of directors: 2019	Number of directors: 2020
Chair of the board	1	1*	1
President	1	1	1
President-elect	1	1***	1***
Past president	1	1	1
Chair of Audit and Finance	Chosen from within the board	Chosen from within the board	Chosen from within the board
NWT	1	1	1
Yukon	1	1	1***
British Columbia	3	1	1**
Alberta	2	1	1**
Saskatchewan	1	1	1***
Manitoba	1	1	1**
Ontario	5	3	1
Quebec	2	1**	1
New Brunswick	1	1***	1
Nova Scotia	1	1	1***
Prince Edward Island	1	1***	1
Newfoundland & Labrador	1	1	1
Resident	1	1**	1**
Student	1	1**	1**
Non-physician	n/a	1*	1
Total	26	21	19

* recruitment under the purview of the Appointments Committee

**incumbent renewable for a second term

***position will become vacant