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St. Joseph's Health Centre Guelph names new president

April 10, 2015 Guelph, ON __ “We are very pleased to announce that David Wormald will be the new President of St. Joseph's Health Centre Guelph, beginning May 11, 2015,” said Paul Elliott, Chair of St. Joseph's Board of Trustees.

“Among the many candidates considered for the position, David stood out to our selection committee as an effective, inspiring leader – one dedicated to advancing quality care, research and education,” he added.

Elliott noted that Wormald also brings a deep commitment to vulnerable and marginalized people – an essential focus of the wider St. Joseph's mission at home and abroad.

For more than a decade, David has held the integrated position of Assistant Vice President, Diagnostic Services and Medical Diagnostic Unit at St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton (SJHH) and Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS), where he has championed and effectively led several initiatives that have enhanced the patient experience and improved access to care, and where he developed a reputation as a leader in best-practice, evidence-based care.

“David's appointment is the culmination of a nation-wide search,” said Elliott. “I'm confident that he is a leader who will inspire staff, physicians, learners and volunteers to embrace St. Joseph's mission and realize best practices in clinical care.”

“St. Joseph's enjoys an enviable reputation throughout Waterloo/Wellington for the high quality of its care, for its commitment to innovation and for its leadership in enhancing the wider health care network's ability to keep pace with the demands of these challenging times,” said Wormald. “I'm very impressed with the way St. Joseph's Guelph has stepped up time and again to meet the diverse and changing needs of its community. I'm delighted to have the opportunity to lead such a dedicated, mission-driven team.”

Wormald is a graduate of the Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences and holds a dual registration with the College of Medical Radiation Technologists of Ontario in Radiography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging. He received his diploma in Health Administration from the Ontario Hospital Association, an undergraduate degree in political science from the University of Toronto and his Master of Business Administration from McMaster University, De Groote School of Business.

He will also take on the Elder Care Portfolio of the St. Joseph's Health System (SJHS) which oversees the work of five health care organizations in Hamilton, Dundas, Brantford, Kitchener and Guelph. In that role, he will provide oversight of the quality and safety of all long-term care sites, as well as nurturing excellent relations with key partners both locally and provincially.