President's Message

“Change is the only constant in life,” Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher, said. Once again we are in the midst of change at the National Executive Council (NEC). As we move into summer the NEC has five new Branch Presidents and movement within the NEC President/President-Elect/Past President portfolios for 2019. Only one Branch President has remained in the same position for NEC meetings of April 2018 and April 2019. This turnover continues to be challenging but change also brings new energy and new ideas. As we move forward our goal is to stay the course in ongoing development of policies and programming to support CIPHI’s goals.

Newly developed policies, posted at www.ciphi.ca/info-centre/documents, provide information on the progressive compliance cycle and audit results appeal process for professional development hours as well as termination/reinstatement of membership and the policy for suspension/reinstatement of CPHI(C). These policies are a result of significant time and commitment. Development is ongoing for the code of ethics complaint process and the establishment of a national appeal board. The NEC met in Toronto in April for two full days of a very full agenda. As we

head into summer, discussion around National Annual Education Conferences (AEC), will also be held.

In 2018, an electronic AGM was piloted in Saskatoon for the National CIPHI AGM during the National AEC. Members were able to dial in from a limited number of prearranged sites. The pilot was successful and will be expanded for 2019. Stay tuned for more information.

The 2018 CIPHI AEC was hosted by a national AEC planning committee. The 2019 AEC will be in Halifax in 8–11 September 2019 hosted by the NS/PEI Branch with support from the national planning committee. This AEC will have an amazing lineup of keynotes and speakers, engaging exhibitors, and excellent networking opportunities in beautiful Nova Scotia. More information can be found at www.ciphi.ca/aec2019. I encourage you to plan to attend and look forward to the opportunity to meet and reconnect with CIPHI members.

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