

## Canadian Professional Association for Transgender Health

October 7, 2013 Dear CPATH Members;

## Consultation on Success for CPATH and CPATH Strategic Plan 2013 -2018

We are pleased to introduce you to the new **CPATH Strategic Plan 2013 -2018**. The Board of Directors met over a long weekend in March, 2013 along with our three past Presidents, facilitated by Maria Hudspith. CPATH has accomplished a great deal in our first 5 years and we wanted to articulate a new strategic plan which would provide promise and relevance to our future directions. The primary objective was to update our vision and mission statements, and to address the complexities involved in continuing to strengthen competent and universally accessible Transgender Health across Canada.

With consideration to the **Consultations on Success for CPATH** document (please see summary report – click <u>here</u>), we produced an initial draft. During the months following we worked through several edits. The final document was approved at our August Board mtg. and translation to French completed.

The goals and objectives are articulated through six strategies:

1. Educating professionals and enabling knowledge exchange to develop and promote best practice, improve access and remove barriers to transition-related and general care

2. Facilitating networks and fostering supportive environments for professionals working with and for trans and gender diverse people

3. Encouraging multidisciplinary, ethical, and community focused research to expand knowledge and deepen understanding about gender diversity and improve the health and well-being of trans and gender diverse people

4. Advocating for institutional, policy, and legislative change by utilizing our collective knowledge and expertise

- 5. Addressing the population and geographic diversity of Canada in all that we do
- 6. Building CPATH's organizational capacity to realize its mission

CPATH Strategic Plan 2013 – 2018 can be found (here) .

We welcome your response to the new Strategic Plan, or better yet, if you see a way in which you would like to be involved, Please notify us at <u>President@cpath.ca</u>

Thank you again for supporting this important work.

Warm Regards CPATH Board of Directors