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## CENTRAL WEST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK

Listed below are the backgrounds of the new board members selected for the Central West Local Health Integration Network.

### **Sukhjinder Mintoo Mand**

Sukhjinder Mintoo Mand's work experience includes the following: operations manager, PRISM Professional Centre, a tri-level professional building; owner-manager of Saaya, a women's designer clothing store; office manager of a Family Physician's Medical Practice in Etobicoke; and seasonal manager of a fruit farm in Yuba City, California. From 1999 to 2004, she served as a member of the Board of Directors for Rexdale Legal Aid Clinic. Mand speaks to immigrants on settlement in Canada as a member of the Speakers' Bureau, Passages to Canada, The Dominion Institute.

### **Jack A. Prazeres**

Jack Prazeres has been owner of Presidents Masonry & General Contractors since 1992. He is also co-owner and general manager of Trican Masonry Contractors Inc. and publisher of The Portuguese Post Newspaper, a community newspaper. He is the 2002 recipient of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Award, the Ducato Dei Vini Friulani Award 2003 and the 2005 Volunteer Civic Award. Prazeres currently serves as president of the Portuguese Disabled Persons Building Fund; health & safety committee director of Masonry Contractors Association of Toronto; trustee of the Bricklayers' Pension Fund Local and co-chair of Carrassauga Festival of Cultures. His past community volunteer work includes fundraising with Peel Regional Police for the Children's Diabetes Foundation and Victim Services of Peel and serving as treasurer, vice-president and president of the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Mississauga.

### **Mavis Wilson**

Mavis Wilson is a senior manager with extensive experience in community development activities and has been a speaker in both Canada and the United States. She and her husband, Bruce Wilson, are the owners/operators of Wilson Farms, a successful family farm corporation specializing in potatoes. In 1987, she was elected to the Ontario Legislature and was appointed Minister Responsible for Senior Citizens' Affairs, a member of the Management Board of Cabinet and also the Premier's Council on Health Strategy. In 1989, she was appointed the province's first minister with sole responsibility for Women's Issues. Prior to her election, Wilson was a trustee on The Dufferin County Board of Education for 11 years, serving three terms as chair. She has served her community in many areas, including on the Board of Directors of Family Transition Place, Hospice Dufferin, The Dufferin Rural Child Care Project and is a supporter of the Dufferin Arts Council.

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