

The Benefits of Membership



We are a collaborative and supportive group of over 100 executive leaders of community social service agencies from all regions of British Columbia. Our members benefit from working together to accomplish four goals:

Goal 1: Provide a Collective Voice for Social Service Sector CEOs across BC

As part of a collective voice, our members are stronger. In recent years we have supported our members by establishing a new rate group with WorkSafe for Shared Living, supporting agencies in legal disputes, and negotiating contracting processes with CLBC.

“I am relatively new in the sector. Membership in the CEO Network has been invaluable in helping me to get up to speed quickly on the sectorial issues and dynamics that are key to our organizational success at the Garth Homer Society.”

Mitchell Temkin

Chief Executive Officer

[The Garth Homer Society](#)



Goal 2: Promote Leadership Development and Mutual Support

As a member of the BC CEO Network, you are entitled to

- 3 General Meetings each year to learn from experts and each other
- At least 3 Professional Development days each year for leaders and senior staff
- Weekly email bulletins that share pertinent information
- Members website to share information
- Access to talented and seasoned leaders willing to share their expertise

“Belonging to the CEO Network has provided me – as someone new to this sector - with the opportunity to meet seasoned Executive Directors from across the province. I am encouraged to know that together we face the same joys and challenges, frustrations and rewards as we serve in our communities. The Network provides me with a place to learn from others, be challenged to think outside the box and add my own voice to the many conversations.”

Karyn Santiago

Chief Executive Officer

[Communitas Supportive Care Society](#)



Goal 3: Promote Effective and Efficient Business Practices

The CEO Network shares best business practices at General Meetings and Professional Development days. The Network also seeks legal opinions and interpretations on behalf of its members on a variety of issues, including taxation, employment standards, and business practices. The Network Board regularly surveys its members on a variety of business topics and brings their concerns to the appropriate provincial table.

“The sharing of best practices and successes across the sector through the Network has increased the quality of our services and benefited the individuals we support”

Tony Laing

Executive Director

[Penticton and District Society for Community Living](#)



Goal 4: Emphasize the Importance of Taking Care of Oneself and Other CEOs in our Network

The objective of the final goal is that CEOs are healthier and happier through mutual support and education about personal health, including wellness at work. Members of the CEO Network support each other in a professional and collegial manner on many levels, including wellness.

“The relationships I have formed within the BCCEO Network have proven to be an invaluable support to me in my role as Executive Director. Opportunities to network with peers gives me a chance to seek input, advice and share experiences with some amazing leaders. I leave BCCEO Network meetings feeling refreshed, supported and inspired to action in my organization.”

Dawn Hein

Executive Director

[Mission Association for Community Living](#)



Membership Application Information

To become a member, contact us at BCCEONetwork@BCCEONetwork.ca or download a membership application from www.bcceonetwork.ca.

“During budget discussions with my Board I expressed to them that no matter what, it is important to ensure there is always money in our agency budget for our BC CEO Network membership. The Network is such a valuable resource that not being a member would be detrimental to our agency.”

Tammy Khanna

Executive Director

[Independent Living Housing Society](#)