

The Adoption Council of Ontario Board of Directors is looking for new board members!

The Adoption Council of Ontario (ACO) is a non-profit charitable organization formed in 1987 by representatives of the adoption community. Our vision is a community where all children have families forever. The mission of the ACO is to educate the community about adoption, connect families and children, support them on their lifelong journey, and advocate for all those touched by adoption. The ACO is committed to a Policy Governance model and is working towards accreditation under the Imagine Canada's Standards Program.

Please view our website at <https://www.adoption.on.ca> for more information about the ACO and our programs.

We are looking for strategic and engaged individuals with experience and knowledge in one or more of the following areas:

- Finance/Accounting (specifically interest in a Treasurer position on the Executive Committee)
- Child Welfare Services, Children's Mental Health, or Education
- Technology/IT (experience and skills with large IT projects)
- Human Resources
- Adoption/Permanency-related

Prior experience at a senior management or board level with a Not-for-Profit or Charitable organization would be an asset.

Successful applicants are expected to commit to completing a three-year term and attend up to 8 board meetings annually, an annual board retreat, and an annual board fundraiser. Board Meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm, currently held online but normally a mix of in-person and online.

In addition, board members are also expected to participate on either a board committee or working group. Committees include: Finance, Governance, and Fund Development.

Our community is committed to sharing values of diversity and inclusion. We welcome and encourage applicants from various backgrounds including race, ethnicity, gender and gender identity, age, socio-economic status, national origin, sexual orientation, ability, religion, as well as those with lived experience with adoption (i.e. adoptive parent, adoptee, birth parent), or experience in the foster care system.

Please forward your letter of interest and resume with the subject line "Board Nominations" to info@adoption.on.ca. Submissions should include the reasons you would like to serve the ACO and indicate your personal connection to, or interest in advancing, adoption and permanency. The Board's Governance Committee will review responses and recommend nominees for vacancies to the Board. We thank you for your interest in the ACO. Please note that only those being considered for an interview this year will be contacted.