



2019 ANNUAL CAHSPR CONFERENCE WHEN RESEARCH MEETS POLICY



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Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research / L'Association canadienne pour la recherche sur les services et les politiques de la santé

WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT OF CAHSPR, CHRIS POWER

I am so delighted to be able to welcome you to Halifax, the place I call home. Born and raised here, I had brief stints living in other parts of Canada, but the salt air, wonderful people and beautiful surroundings have always brought me back to this amazing city. And what a fabulous place for CAHSPR to host this year's Scientific Conference – "When Research Meets Policy!" One of the main goals of CAHSPR is to bring researchers, policy makers and decision makers together and this year we will be using that lens to highlight some of the amazing work that is happening in the Atlantic Provinces and beyond, that demonstrates the impact that research has in shaping policy. The line up of speakers and quality of posters is second to none – I know that you will leave at the end of the conference feeling that it has been time and money well spent. And speaking of spending money, while in this beautiful city, please take advantage of the many attractions and great shops and restaurants.

President's Picks: Favourite Places to Eat

- Damaurizios
- Chives
- John's Lunch (best fish and chips or clams and chips in town!)
- The Press Gang
- The Wooden Monkey

**take the Woodside Ferry from Downtown to Dartmouth; well worth the trip and a lovely 10-minute crossing*

President's Picks: Favourite Attractions

- The Public Gardens on Spring Garden Road
- Citadel Hill
- Pier 21
- Walk along the Waterfront
- Point Pleasant Park
- The Seaport Farmer's Market

For those of you who love shoes as much as I do, no trip to Halifax would be complete without stopping at John David's Shoes in Park Lane on Spring Garden Road.

Please enjoy the amazing hospitality and all the wonders that Halifax and this conference has to offer.

Chris Power, President, CAHSPR



CHRIS POWER, CEO, Canadian Patient Safety Institute

What began as a desire to help those in need has evolved into a mission to improve the quality of healthcare for all Canadians. Chris Power's journey in healthcare began at the bedside as a front-line nurse. Since then, she has grown into one of the preeminent healthcare executives in Canada. Her experiences, her success, and her values have led her to the position of CEO of the Canadian Patient Safety Institute. Previously, Chris served for eight years as president and CEO of Capital Health, Nova Scotia. Chris holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Mount Saint Vincent University and a Masters in Health Services Administration from Dalhousie University. She is a Certified Health Executive with the Canadian College of Health Service Executives and holds a Fellowship in Management for Executive Nurses from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. In 2003, she received the Award for Excellence and Innovation from the Canadian College of Health Services Executives and in 2007 received an Award of Excellence from the

Halifax Progress Club. She was named one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women in the Public-Sector Category three years in a row from 2007-2009 and in 2010 was inducted into the Hall of Fame. She was named one of the Top 50 CEO's in Atlantic Canada four times and in 2013 was inducted into the Top 50 CEOs Hall of Fame. In 2013 Chris received an honorary Doctorate in Civil Law from St. Mary's University. Chris holds significant governance roles including President of the Canadian Association for Health Services & Policy Research Board, Co-Chair of CHLNet, Board member of Colleges & Institutes of Canada, and Board member of Simulation Canada. With all the accolades and responsibilities, Chris has maintained her strong sense of self and credits her love of family, faith and her gift of singing for keeping her grounded.