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BUILDING TOGETHER

AURORA, ON, June 14, 2018 – Entité 4 held its 8th Annual General Meeting immediately following the Forum on Health Equity for Francophone Communities on June 12, 2018 in Ajax, ON. This forum was the most significant event organized by Entité 4 since its creation, and attracted more than 100 participants from many different locations within Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)'s territory which comprises Scarborough, Durham, Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough, Haliburton and Northumberland.

A great number of members from the community were able to take part in this event thanks to TAIBU Community Health Centre and Centres d'Accueil Héritage who organized transportation by bus. Central East LHIN and Entité 4 representatives welcomed attendees and the forum was officially launched with a message from **Mr. François Boileau**, French Language Services Commissioner of Ontario. Health service providers from the area offered a variety of mini-workshops to community participants. Meanwhile, health service providers were able to share ideas on human resource challenges and the importance of collaborating with Francophone community organizations.

In closing the forum, **Mrs. Estelle Duchon** thanked all participants, exhibitors, facilitators and volunteers who contributed to the event's success. **Mr. Yves Lévesque**, Chairman of the Board, announced that two other such forums would be held in the fall, one in Simcoe Region with the support of North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN, and lastly one in York Region with the assistance of Central LHIN.

Entité 4's Annual General Meeting, chaired by **Dr Achille Fossi**, brought the day to an end. **Mrs. Amorell Saunders N'Daw**, vice-chair of the Central East LHIN, opened the meeting with a message in French. Entité 4's annual report entitled "Building Together" was presented to members by both the Chairman and the Executive Director, respectively Yves Lévesque and Estelle Duchon.

"Building together means involving members of the community at each step, from development to deployment of services, while working closely with our key partners to implement high quality health services in French. Building together to address your needs." - Yves Lévesque, Chairman of the Board - Entité 4.

Mr. Jean Bouchard, Board Treasurer, presented the financial statements and the assembly then proceeded to elect board members. Two new members were elected by acclamation : **Lyne Audette** as a North Simcoe Muskoka representative, and **Mélissa Joseph** to represent Central East LHIN territory.



Entité 4's Board of Directors and Executive Director.
From left to right: Yves Lévesque, Narjiss Lazrak, Severin Egatsi, Jean Bouchard, Estelle Duchon, Lyne Audette, Dominique Janssens, Mélissa Joseph, Jules Nkamtchou.
Absent : Mylène Feytout-Eward

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Entité 4's mandate is to make recommendations to the Central, Central East and North Simcoe Muskoka LHINs to improve access to quality health services in French for the francophone community in these areas.

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