

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### CHICA-CANADA REPRESENTATIVE TO NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION (NACI)

NACI is a national committee of recognized experts in the fields of pediatrics, infection prevention and control, infectious diseases, immunology, medical microbiology, internal medicine and public health. The Committee reports to the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, and works with departmental staff of the Centre for Infectious Disease Prevention and Control (CIDPC) of the Public Health Agency of Canada to provide ongoing and timely medical, scientific and public health advice.

NACI makes recommendations for the use of vaccines currently or newly approved for use in humans in Canada, including the identification of groups at risk for vaccine-preventable disease for whom vaccine programs should be targeted. All NACI recommendations on vaccine use in Canada are published every four years in the [Canadian Immunization Guide](#). Additional statements and updates are published in the [Canada Communicable Disease Report \(CCDR\)](#). NACI also advises on the need for national vaccination strategies and makes recommendations for vaccine development research.

Terms of Reference for NACI can be found at <http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/naci-ccni/tor-eng.php>

CHICA-Canada is a Liaison member of NACI. Liaison representatives may participate in all discussions; however the final votes are for members only. CHICA-Canada is seeking a representative to NACI for a three year term effective September 15, 2008. The next meeting of NACI is scheduled for **October 15-16, 2008** in Ottawa. Travel expenses will be paid by CHICA-Canada (Travel Expense Form 7). Meetings are held 3 times per year for 2-3 days with reading preparation of approximately 1 day prior to each meeting (documents for review are sent by email approximately 10 days before each meeting).

Applicants must possess the following qualifications and agree to the following terms:

- A current (2008) member of CHICA-Canada, having held membership for at least 5 years.
- Must have a Certification in Infection Control & Epidemiology (CIC) or specialty training in epidemiology, infectious diseases or community medicine.
- Master's preparedness is helpful but not mandatory.
- A minimum of 5 years experience in Infection Prevention and Control and/or Infectious Diseases with specialized knowledge of Infection Prevention and Control in the topic.
- Skills in critically appraising literature and a good understanding of research designs and methodology.
- Sound knowledge of all vaccine preventable diseases.
- Has the time, commitment and support of their facility to serve CHICA-Canada and NACI through this position.

#### APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- A letter from applicant expressing interest in the position and demonstrating suitability for the position.

- A curriculum vitae that includes details as to Infection Prevention and Control and the topic.
- Professional expertise and education, specialty training and expertise, and CHICA-Canada involvement such as service as a CHICA-Canada Board Member, as a chapter executive, or on a CHICA-Canada Standing Committee.

Applications must be received no later than **September 5, 2008**.

Applications should be forwarded to:

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