WHAT IS THE MUHC CENTRAL USERS’ COMMITTEE

The MUHC Central Users’ Committee (MUHC CUC) is the committee recognized and funded by the Ministry of Health and Social Services to:

- Inform users of their rights, namely 12 rights entrenched in the Act respecting health services and social services;
- Defend the collective rights and interests of users or, upon request, the rights and interests of an individual user, before the institution or any competent authority;
- Accompany and assist users, upon request, in any actions they undertake, including referring users to an Ombudsman and or assisting with the filing of a complaint with the Ombudsman;
- Ensure that the Camille-Lefebvre Residents’ Committee (CHSLD) functions properly and has the necessary resources to carry out its duties; and:
- Moderate, organize and promote events, activities or projects designed to inform, assist or support users and encourage improvements in the quality and safety of services and of residents’ living conditions.

COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

The MUHC CUC has 9 members:

1 member per site and 2 members whose user experience involves at least three MUHC sites

- Montreal Children’s Hospital (1)
- Royal Victoria Hospital (1)
- Montreal Chest Institute (1)
- Montreal Neurological Hospital (1)
- Montreal General Hospital (1)
- Lachine Hospital (1)
- Three MUHC sites (2)
- Camille-Lefebvre Residence (1) (CHSLD)

All members are elected, except for the representative of the Camille-Lefebvre Pavilion Resident’s Committee (CHSLD), who is appointed following a separate election.

CRITERIA TO STAND FOR ELECTION

- The candidate must be a current patient or recent former patient (used MUHC services in the last two years), or a legal representative of a patient or a recognized caregiver of a patient.
- In the case of the Montreal Children’s Hospital, the candidate must be between the age of 13 and 18. A patient under the age of 13 cannot stand for election but may be represented as noted above by a legal representative and/or recognized caregiver.
- The candidate must not be an employee, supplier or service provider of the MUHC and/or of its research institute and/or any of its foundations.
- The candidate must not be under curatorship.
- The candidate cannot have a criminal record.
- The candidate cannot serve simultaneously on a local interest group (known before June 22 as site or mission users’ committees) and should be prepared to step down if elected.
- For the 2022 election, the candidate must not have served on the MUHC CUC in the last three years.

WHAT TO SUBMIT TO BE CONSIDERED AND BY WHAT DATE

Persons wanting to stand for election must send by e-mail the completed candidate application form and a letter of intent explaining why they believe they should be elected by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 26, 2022. The Election President will approve or reject applications based on the above-mentioned criteria in a reasonable timeframe, give or take one week. The Election President’s e-mail address (for application documents, bylaws, submissions and/or questions):

Election President: Me Mathilde Crépeau
E-mail: mcrepeau@mbavocats.ca

WHERE TO FIND CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORMS AND COMMITTEE BYLAWS

MUHC Web site: muhc.ca (https://muhc.ca/patientscommittee)
It is also possible to receive documentation by sending an e-mail request to the Election President.

POSTING OF ELECTION CANDIDATES

The official ballot list with a summary of each candidate’s profile will be posted on August 31, 2022.

ELECTION DAY

The election will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022. Voting information will be posted on August 31, 2022.