



NRBHSS Board of Directors Holds 165th Meeting in Montreal and Elects New Leadership

Kuujuuaq, February 19th 2026 – The Board of Directors of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS) met from February 10 to 12, 2026, in Montreal for its 165th meeting, a rare occasion for the Board to convene outside the region. Over three days, members reviewed regional priorities and adopted key decisions to support the delivery of health and social services across Nunavik.

During the meeting, the Board held elections that resulted in several changes to its composition:

- Lizzie Epoo was elected Chairperson, succeeding Victoria Tukkiapik, whose leadership and commitment over the past year were warmly acknowledged by the Board;
- Jennifer Hunter who previously served as Vice-Chairperson, was re-elected in the same position;
- Mary Johannes who previously served as an Executive Committee Member was also re-elected in the same position;
- Shirley White-Dupuis was elected as a member of the Executive Committee, replacing Sally Nuktie, who was thanked for her dedication and service;
- Hilda Snowball took her oath of office as representative of Kangiqsualujjuaq;
- Lizzie Epoo now represents the northern village of Inukjuak;
- Louisa Tookalook was elected as the Inuulitsivik Health Centre representative.

Throughout the meeting, directors reviewed strategic priorities including tuberculosis response efforts, workforce development initiatives for Inuit employees, regional training partnerships, financial planning, and organizational policies aimed at strengthening service delivery.

“The Board remains firmly committed to supporting culturally appropriate, accessible, and high-quality services for Nunavimmiut,” said **Jennifer Munick-Watkins, Executive Director of the NRBHSS**. “These discussions and decisions help guide our collective work toward improving health and well-being across the region.”



Legend

Picture on the left: members of the NRBHSS BOD

Picture on the right: From left to right: Jennifer Munick-Watkins, Secretary; Lizzie Epoo, Chairperson; Shirley White-Dupuis, Executive Committee Member; Jennifer Hunter, Vice-chairperson; Mary Johannes, Executive Committee Member.

About

The Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services is a public agency created in 1978 under the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement. It is responsible for nearly the entire Quebec territory located north of the 55th parallel in terms of the provision of health and social services for the inhabitants of the 14 communities.

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