MITORONTO Public Health

Community and Social Services

Toronto Public Health's activities are primarily focused on disease prevention, health protection and health promotion and are governed by the Health Protection and Promotion Act. The programs and services provided by Toronto Public Health take into account the determinants of health (such as income, housing, physical and social environment) and individual risk factors. Mandated services and programs include communicable disease control, family health, chronic disease and injury prevention, and environmental health.

*Note: The Medical Officer of Health reports to City Council through the Board of Health.

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Public Health Communications

Strategically plans and manages communications for Toronto Public Health, including communication strategy and planning, web and digital communication, social media management, analytics and reporting, public health messaging, internal communication, crisis and emergency communication, media relations, call centres, and issues management. Ensures public health matters receive appropriate attention, understanding, and accurate information dissemination and customer service.

Director, Communications	
Michael Blackburn (Acting)	396-7479
Manager, Public Health Communicat	ions
Michele Simpson (Acting)	396-7689
Supervisor, Graphic Design & Produc	ction
Jamie McEachern	338-1713
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Strategy and Clinical Services

Responsible for developing, monitoring, and evolving the organization's strategic plan. Serves as the primary contact for special projects, working with subject matter experts and other teams. This directorate supports the Board and Council, develops reports and assists with governance and policy work across the organization. Engages with stakeholders, manages relationships, builds capacity to reduce health inequities and aligns practices and processes across clinical services, including dental and oral health services and mental



health, substance use, harm reduction and treatment services. This directorate includes sexual health promotion and coordinates with sexual health clinics to enhance service delivery.

Director, Strategy (Acting)	
Vanessa Fletcher	

Director, Clinical Services (Acting)	
Sana Imran	.396-7741

Administrative Assistant 2	
Veruschka Daroga	

Stakeholder Relations & Health Equity

277 Victoria St. 7th Fl.

Associate Director	
Katie Millan (Acting)	
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Cayla Baarda	
Barbara Johne	
Mary Ann Gatbonton	
Mark Gaspar	
Policy Development Officer	
Vinusha Gunaseelan	
Health Promotion Specialist	
Jessica Patterson	

Strategic Initiatives

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Mental Health Nurse Consultant

Oluremi Adewale	338-7531
Kelly Crowe	
Annelia Epie	

Indigenous Health Strategy

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Senior Policy & Strategic Issues	Advisor
Monique Diabo	
Policy Development Officer	
Josh Swain	

Dental & Oral Health Services

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Associate Director Angela Fong (Acting)
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Dr. Jyoti Parmar
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Dr. Manisha Mehta
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Dr. Vikram Malhotra
2340 Dundas St. W

Clinical Services

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The Works

277 Victoria St., 1st Fl.

Manager, Needle I	Exchange
Elpida Eritsos	

Sexual Health Clinics

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Facsimiles

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160 Borough Dr.	338-6100



662 Jane St.	
2340 Dundas	

Manager, Sexual Health Clinics	
Natalie Fawcett	338-3399
Medical Director	
Duate Adegbite	338-7945
Manager, Mental Health	
Jonathan John	338-5637

Sexual Health Promotion

2340 Dundas St. W 850 Coxwell Ave. 1530 Markham Rd.

Manager

Najma Kahiye	2-9782
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Decision Support, Surveillance, and Immunization

Facsimile

Uses assessment and evaluation data to continuously shape and refine public health interventions. This directorate integrates various assessment methods, both quantitative and qualitative, to identify and address population health needs across the organization. The team focuses on quality assurance and program improvement, contributes to policy development, centralizes surveillance and epidemiology activities, and manages various information systems to maximize data utilization and team expertise. Leads and coordinates vaccine activities, including disease prevention, vaccine confidence, and vaccine distribution.

Administrative Assistant 2	
Kimberly Hernandez	

Public Health Medicine

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Associate Medical Officers of Health	
Dr. Allison Chris, 10 th Fl	338-7088
Dr. Elizabeth Rea, 10th Fl	338-5655
Dr. Herveen Sachdeva, 10 th Fl	338-1607
Dr. Howard Shapiro, 5th Fl	388-0478
Dr. Irene Armstrong, 8th Fl	338-7993
Dr. Lisa Berger, 8th Fl	338-7983
Dr. Rita Shahin, 10 th Fl	338-7924
Dr. Shovita Padhi, 10 th Fl	396-8362
Dr. Vinita Dubey, 10 th Fl	397-4696

Surveillance & Epidemiology

277 Victoria St. 7th Fl.

Associate Director	
Effie Gournis	
Manager, Surveillance & Epidem	niology
Caroline Wai	
Manager, Surveillance & Epidem	niology
Melissa Helferty	

Vaccine Preventable Diseases

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Associate Director	
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Supervisor, Vaccine Preventable D	iseases
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Maple Cardona	338-6120
Melissa de Jesus	338-0909
Ann Liddy	338-1560
Caley Shen	
Mahbub Talukder	
Sanjay Thuraisamy	392-1616

Health Information & Quality

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Associate Director	
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Manager, Research Ethics & Library	
Loren Vanderlinden	338-8094

Manager, Evaluation & Quality Improvement	
Kathy Chow	
Manager, Privacy & Information	on Management
Rares Porime	
Manager, Health Informatics	
Faron Kolbe	
Facsimile	
Joanna Liebert	
Facsimile	

Health Protection

Works to prevent and control communicable diseases in Toronto and ensure access to safe and healthy food, water, and the environment. This is achieved through case and contact management, inspections (such as in food premises, personal services settings, pools, and other locations), health education and social supports, clinical services, and responding to disease outbreaks. Collaborates with healthcare and community partners for effective infection prevention and control and works to gather information on diseases of public health significance.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health	
Dr. Michael Finkelstein	392-7405
Administrative Assistant 2	
Danielle Hutchinson	

Control of Infectious Diseases / Infection Control & Communicable Disease Liaison Unit

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160 Borough Dr	338-6184
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Sexually Transmitted Infections

277 Victoria St., 9th Fl.

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Associate Medical Officer of Heal	th
Dr. Rita Shahin	
Manager, Sexually Transmitted Infections	
Anthony Leonard	
Michael Riecker	

Tuberculosis

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277 Victoria Street	338-8149
399 The West Mall	696-3457

Associate Director



Environmental Health

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Food Safety

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Community Health and Wellbeing

Creates and delivers health promotion services and programs that support and advance community health across the lifespan, with a focus on health equity. This includes the Reproductive & Early Years; Healthy Babies Healthy Children; and School Health programs. In addition, this directorate works to reduce the burden of chronic illnesses and prevent injuries, as well as advance service integration over a range of age-based populations.

Director, Community Health & V	Wellbeing and
Chief Nursing Officer (Acting)	
Joanne Figliano-Scott	
Administrative Assistant 2	
Gizelle D'Souza	

Reproductive Early Years

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Healthy Babies, Healthy Children

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Associate Director
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School Health

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850 Coxwell Ave.	

Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention

Manager, Chronic Disease & Injury Prevention		
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Community Health & Well-being Service Integration

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Jody Ross
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Manager, Intake
Samantha Johnson
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Manager, Data Integration
Carmen Yue
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Operations and Business Services

Responsible for providing essential operational and business services. Supports Toronto Public Health in achieving strategic goals by providing oversight and direction in the areas of financial planning and management, performance reporting, procurement, risk management, emergency planning, talent management, payroll, information technology, privacy and information management, logistics, facilities, and space planning. Provides oversight to the following grant programs: Student Nutrition Program and the Toronto Urban Health Fund.

People Services

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Manager, Workforce Planning & Development	
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Supervisor, Complement Management	& Payroll
Zulma Velasquez	
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Operations Management & Logistics 277 Victoria St. 4th Fl.

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Manager, Operations & Capital Infrastructure	
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Finance Services

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Fa	csimile	

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Ferooz Qader	

Information Technology 277 Victoria St. 8th Fl.

Manager, Information & Technology	
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Supervisor, Healthy Public Policy (Research	
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Emergency Planning & Performance Management

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Grants Administration

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