

Osler President and CEO leaving in November

Vanita Varma, chair of the William Osler Health System Board of Directors, has announced the resignation of President and CEO Matthew Anderson.

Anderson is leaving the organization after six years in the role, and will be joining Lakeridge Health in Oshawa in November as its President and CEO.

“In his time with Osler, Matthew has been an extraordinary, visionary leader who has taken Osler to new heights, forging new and innovative partnerships, advancing critical hospital redevelopment projects, and expanding clinical programs and services to help meet the health care needs of this community,” Varma said. “The success that Osler has achieved over the past number of years has been a team effort, and part of Matthew’s legacy was building a strong and capable Senior Leadership Team focused on excellence.” The Board of Directors Aug. 24 named Osler’s Executive Vice President, Clinical Services and Chief Nursing Executive (CNE) Joanne Flewwelling as Interim President and CEO, upon Anderson’s departure.

“We are fortunate to have strong leaders on this team, who are ready and willing to step up, and the Board is pleased that Joanne has agreed to take on this important role, as well as excited about the possibilities for this organization under her leadership,” Varma commented. “Joanne’s passion for health care and commitment to excellence makes her a remarkable leader and a natural choice to help lead this exemplary organization through the exciting times that are ahead.”

A registered nurse, Flewwelling has more than 30 years of health care experience in both academic and community hospital settings, including a background in critical care and emergency nursing. Prior to her previous role, she was the Vice President of Strategic Information and Performance Systems, and Chief Information Officer at Osler.

The Board of Directors has struck a search committee to lead a recruitment process to find a new President and CEO.