



Sandra Easson-Bruno, Director

Sandra Easson-Bruno joined the North Simcoe Muskoka Specialized Geriatric Services (NSM SGS) program in March 2016 as the inaugural Director of the new program. In her role, she provides leadership and oversight to the planning, implementation and evaluation of all aspects of the program including the leadership team, clinical services and the education strategy. In her role she builds collaborative relationships, champions quality care and advocates for programming, funding and system change.

Sandra brings more than 25 years of clinical experience and leadership to this role. Prior to joining the NSM SGS Program, Sandra was a Senior Planner with the NSM Local Health Integration Network (LHIN). In that role her portfolios included seniors' health, Alternate Level of Care, Long-Term Care and Home & Community Capacity. She played a key regional role in health system transformation and funding including work related to the development and establishment of: the NSM SGS Program; local Alternate Level of Care initiatives; key ministry initiatives related to Assess & Restore, Aging at Home, physiotherapy reform and Long-Term Care Home redevelopment; and helped establish the convalescent care program across the NSM region. Sandra's career has been dedicated to improving the health and well-being of seniors and their caregivers with roles that include: Project Lead for Seniors Health in the NSM region; Manager of Complex Continuing Care & the Healthy Aging Program at the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre; and Clinical Nurse Specialist, Geriatrics. With over ten years' experience as a Clinical Nurse Specialist she has provided care to frail hospitalized seniors, developed and implemented programs for seniors and led health system change initiatives.

Sandra believes in the importance of teamwork and the power of collaboration. She is able to balance creativity and innovation with the importance of process and standards. She is a visionary with a proven record of success. She is a recognized and respected leader both locally and provincially.

Sandra is a Registered Nurse with a Master of Nursing (MN) degree from the University of Toronto. She has held certification in gerontological nursing from the Canadian Nurses Association for 15 years. She was nominated for a professional achievement award from the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario and was granted lifetime membership in the Canadian Association of Advanced Practice Nurses because of her accomplishments during her six-year leadership term. She has led local, provincial and national nursing groups and was the Associate, Affiliate & Emerging Group representative on the Board of Governors of the Canadian Nurses Association for four years.