

I'm very pleased to announce that the Royal College is launching a new business function this month called the Enterprise Project Management Office. This is an exciting venture because it will enable the Royal College to better support project teams and coordinate project management resources and activities.

Announcing the new assistant director, Enterprise PMO

To lead the day-to-day business of the new office, it gives me great pleasure to welcome Jane Fulford, CGA, in the role of assistant director, Enterprise PMO. She will start on December 12, 2011, reporting to chief information officer Dave Perfetti.

Ms. Fulford last worked at the Institute on Governance, a not-for-profit public interest institution, where she was formerly the CFO and vice president of aboriginal governance. She is a certified general accountant with considerable financial talent and 25 years of experience in business transformation, executive management and consulting.

There are many reasons why I believe Ms. Fulford is a right fit for the Royal College and a natural choice as leader of Enterprise PMO. She has led more than 100 projects in an executive or managerial role, and has a track record of success. She also knows the health care industry well after eight years of managing finances and operations at the Kingston General Hospital.

Last but not least, Ms. Fulford also has many personal qualities that I admire and that I believe are essential for working with talented groups of individuals, such as the committed and highly skilled staff at the Royal College, in the role she will assume. She is personable and approachable, a diplomatic and inspired leader with a passion for building and leading high-performance teams.

I have every confidence that she will be an incredible asset as we embark on aligning our business processes with the key result areas in our new strategic plan.

A PMO establishes standards for success

There is good evidence to show that project management offices improve project success rates by helping them to follow a common roadmap. They are a best practice of industry and so belong in an innovative 21st century organization like the Royal College.

The mandate of Enterprise PMO comes at the right time to complement the new strategic direction already underway at the Royal College. It will establish standards for success in the planning and delivery for all new projects going forward, and mentor and coach staff on how to use these new tools.

Enterprise PMO will be a new and independent directorate reporting to Dave Perfetti. Dave has substantial career experience in project management and business transformation in

addition to his educational qualifications in information technology and organizational leadership. I know that the new office will thrive under his direction.

Let's not forget that one of the Royal College's strengths is excellence in standard-setting. Strengthening our project management capacity will take us even closer to our new vision: The best health for all. The best care for all.

I hope you will join me in welcoming Ms. Fulford to the Royal College.

Sincerely,

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