

## News Release

### **Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners announces appointment of new CEO**

**London, ON**, October 9, 2024—The Board of Directors of Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners (AlzSWP) is excited to announce the appointment of Stéphane (Steph) Ouellet as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO), effective November 18, 2024. Steph brings over 20 years of experience in healthcare leadership across the acute care, community support services and primary care sectors.

Most recently, Steph served as Vice President of Strategic Partnerships at Middlesex Health Alliance, where he spearheaded the creation of a Health Village model at one of its hospital sites. This initiative included several innovations to advance seniors' care and enhance patient experience.

Steph has also spoken at numerous national healthcare conferences on topics ranging from technology to rural health. For the past three years, he has served in various capacities—Speaker, Co-Chair, and Moderator—at the National Rural and Northern Health Care Conference.

"We are thrilled to welcome Steph as our new CEO," said Mike McMahon, Chair of the AlzSWP Board of Directors. "His deep expertise in healthcare innovation, community engagement and passion for dementia care make him the ideal leader to guide the Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners into the future. His ability to blend operational leadership with forward-thinking strategy will help us expand our services and strengthen our impact across the communities we serve in Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford counties."

Steph holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from the Ivey Business School, Western University, and a Bachelor of Commerce (Honours in Management Information Systems) from the University of Ottawa. He also holds the Certified Health Executive (CHE) designation from the Canadian College of Health Leaders.

"I am delighted to join the Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners and look forward to working closely with the Board, staff, volunteers and community partners to build on the Society's strong foundation," said Steph. "Together, we will continue to innovate dementia care while creating compassionate and inclusive communities for those affected by dementia."

Steph succeeds Carol Walters, who is retiring after serving as CEO since 2017. The Board extends its deepest gratitude to Carol for her steadfast leadership and dedication over the years and wishes her all the best in her retirement.

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### **About Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners**

Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners (AlzSWP) is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people living with dementia and their care partners through comprehensive support services, education and

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advocacy. Serving Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford counties, AlzSWP is committed to fostering compassionate, dementia-friendly communities.

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