



## **Michelle McLean**

### **President & CEO, HealthCareCAN**

Michelle is an experienced lawyer, public affairs professional and leader in both the corporate and not-for-profit sectors. She is passionate about working to create positive change that will improve the health and lives of Canadians and building teams who share that goal. Over the past 20 years, Michelle has had the privilege of providing strategic counsel and leadership to a wide array of organizations in the health and life sciences sector. Having led the development of

many national communications, stakeholder engagement and government relations strategies and campaigns, she is best known as a skilled and strategic advocate who has secured significant policy and funding commitments at the federal level.

Some of the organizations she has worked for include Innovative Medicines Canada, Canadian Partnership Against Cancer, Mental Health Commission of Canada, Canadian Blood Services, TELUS Health, The Ottawa Hospital, the Centre for Aging + Brain Health Innovation (CABHI powered by Baycrest), Health Charities Coalition of Canada, Canadian Cancer Society, Heart & Stroke Foundation, Cystic Fibrosis Canada, Kids Help Phone, Diabetes Canada, ALS Canada, and many other health charities.

Michelle also has many years of experience working with the health research sector. Her work with Research Canada spans over a decade, and she has recently worked closely with the Stem Cell Network. She has helped organizations like TRIUMF (Canada's largest government-funded research facility), the Canadian Cancer Society and Ovarian Cancer Canada, to secure hundreds of millions of dollars in health research funding.

Michelle is an accomplished business and people leader who has built and led many high performing teams and organizations in her career. She is widely recognized as a collaborative relationship builder and creative problem solver, and for her commitment to nurturing a thriving and inclusive workplace culture. Her leadership experience includes three years as Vice-President of the Mental Health Commission of Canada, and 4 years as the Ottawa General Manager and National Executive team member at Hill + Knowlton Strategies.