

PUBLIC NOTICE TO ALL ELIGIBLE VOTERS RESPECTING THE ELECTION FOR CBHSSJB CHAIRPERSON (2024)

Notice is hereby given that the election for the office of the Chairperson of the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay (**CBHSSJB**) will be held on **Tuesday**, **November 12**, **2024**.

The CBHSSJB Chairperson is the Cree representative on the CBHSSJB Board of Directors elected by and from among the members of the Cree Nation Government for a term of four years.

The present notice is in accordance with CBHSSJB "Consolidated By law No 9: By-law respecting the Procedure for the Election of the Cree Representative of the Members of the Cree Nation Government and Chairperson of the Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay.

Qualifications to Vote

The qualifications to vote in the election of the CBHSSJB Chairperson are as follows:

- To be a member of the Cree Nation Government (enrolled or entitled to be enrolled as a Cree beneficiary of the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement);
- To be of the age of majority on the date of the election (18 years of age on November 12, 2024); and
- Not to be affected by any legal incapacity.

Qualifications

The qualifications to vote also apply to candidates for the office of the Chairperson. Any person who acts as a Returning Officer, Local Election Officer or Assistant Local Election Officer for the election cannot be a candidate. In addition, no one who holds an employment or practices a profession with the CBHSSJB may be elected as the Chairperson unless that person resigns or ceases to practice with the CBHSSJB upon being elected.



Nomination Procedures

Only persons who meet the candidate qualifications and who are nominated by ten (10) eligible voters on the applicable nomination form may be candidates for Chairperson.

The nomination period for candidates will start on **Friday**, **September 27**, **2024** and will CLOSE on **Sunday**, **October 13**, **2024** at **11:59 p.m**. Completed nomination forms must be submitted to the Returning Officer in person, by mail, by fax at an address or number provided by the Returning Officer or by email by this deadline. Any nomination received after this deadline will NOT be accepted.

The original of any nomination form sent by electronic means must be filed with the Returning Officer by **October 18, 2024 at 11:59 p.m**.

A nominated candidate must confirm in writing to the Returning Officer that he/she accepts the nomination by **Tuesday**, **October 22**, **2024 at 11:59 p.m.**, failing which his/her name will be removed from the list of candidates.

The nomination form may be obtained from the Returning Officer or a Local Returning Officer appointed by him. The nomination form may also be downloaded from the website of the CBHSSJB at: https://creehealth.org/events/chair-election-2024

Polls

The election poll will be situated in every Cree community of Eeyou Istchee in order to permit the eligible electors to vote in person. Other polling stations including Travelling Polls may be designated by the Returning Officer outside of the Cree communities where deemed appropriate to allow eligible voters to vote in person.

This election poll will be held in person, as set out below.

ADVANCE POLL: Tuesday, November 5, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TRAVELLING POLL: Thursday, November 7, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

MAIN ELECTION POLL: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Please check future Public Notices for the locations of the polling station(s) in each community and other locations.

For further information or to request or submit a nomination form, please contact Returning Officer John Henry Wapachee at: jhwapachee@nemaska.ca; by fax at an address or number provided by the Regional Returning Officer mailing address: 6 Bear Trail, PO Box 131, Nemaska, QC J0Y 3B0; or call 514-601-4607.

NOTICE GIVEN ON THIS 23rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024 BY ORDER OF THE RETURNING OFFICER.

John Henry Wapachee

Returning Officer, CBHSSJB Chairperson Election 2024