



# Strategic Priorities 2023-26

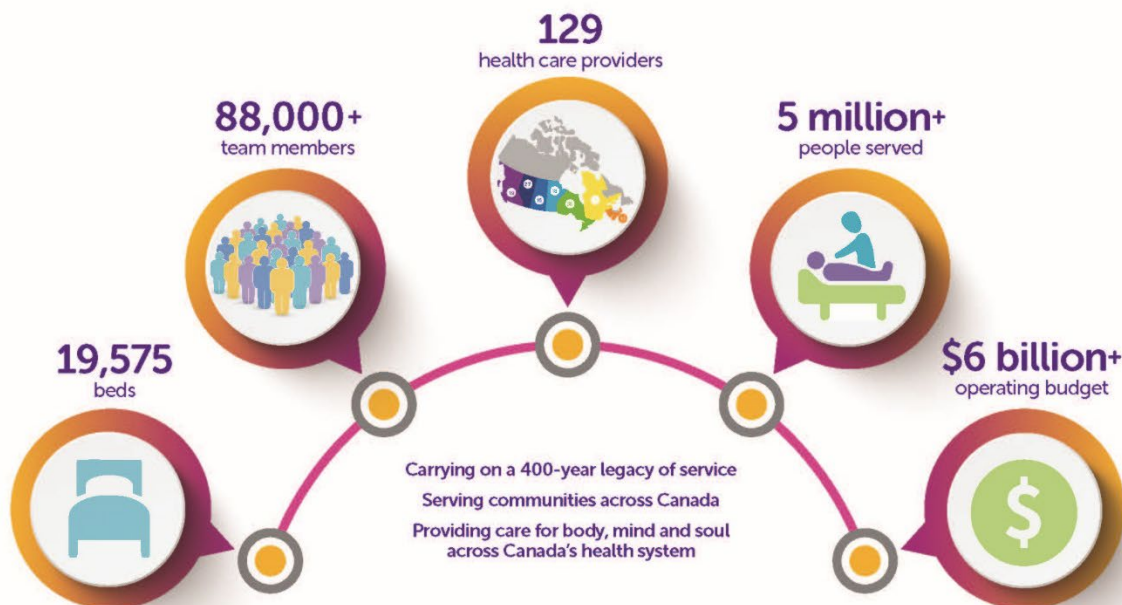
As a national organization, the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada (CHAC) unifies and strengthens the work and voice of Catholic health care across the country. Catholic health is for everyone. We welcome and care for all Canadians throughout their lives. Catholic health is anchored in the inherent dignity of every human being throughout the continuum of life, encompassing the needs of the whole person.

Our mission and purpose are carried out by 129 Catholic health organizations that provide essential services in our communities and flagship programs in acute and teaching hospitals, primary care, palliative care, mental health and addictions, rehabilitation, housing, and long-term care.

As trusted care providers, we are called to lead, collaborate, and innovate to improve health in Canada and serve where the needs are greatest. We contribute to and help shape an ever-evolving health system, drawing on our Catholic values, and a legacy of innovation and ethical reflection.

Through our Strategic Priorities, CHAC brings Catholic health organizations together in dialogue and action, supporting them to be leaders and advocates in making the health system stronger and more responsive.

Our Purpose	Our Vision	Our Values
<p>Inspired by the Gospel and grounded in shared beliefs and values, we work together to achieve a Canadian society that reaches out to every person who is suffering from illness, stigma, poverty or loneliness.</p>	<p>We are called to lead, collaborate, innovate and influence to improve health care in Canada and serve where the needs are greatest—especially the poor, vulnerable and marginalized.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spirituality</li> <li>Fidelity</li> <li>Solidarity</li> <li>Collaboration</li> <li>Justice</li> </ul>



## Witness: Deepening Our Mission

We will continually deepen our commitment to the healing ministry and strengthen our leadership across Canada to embrace and effectively live our Gospel calling with passion and purpose in all we do.

### **Inclusion and Reconciliation**

Deepen our dialogue and focused action with our sponsored organizations in creating culturally safe environments of care for Indigenous Peoples and advancing Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action.

### **Ecology and Laudato Si'**

Mobilize Catholic health in support of Laudato Si', with an integrative approach—including Indigenous leadership to connect land, health, and spirituality in our work as Catholic health.

### **Community Engagement**

Engage the people of Catholic health in community around strategic priorities and goals and explore a “peer exchange” approach.

### **Pan-Canadian Collaborative**

Advance the “Pan-Canadian Collaborative for Catholic Health Ethics, Formation and Mission Integration” to increase collaboration amongst sponsors and address gaps in service to sponsored works.

### **Holy See Relations**

In partnership with the Catholic Health Association of the United States, continue to build relationship with the Holy See, and provide leadership in the Catholic sponsorship model.

## Proclaim: Telling Our Story

With a unified voice, we will tell our story and stories about the people we serve to reveal the courageous gift of Catholic health care to inspire hope, increase understanding and advance our position and critical role in Canada's health care system – now and into the future.

### **Connection and Meaning**

Building on our value of inclusion, engage in dialogue with marginalized groups and improve our communications so all entering a Catholic health environment feel welcome, safe, and loved.

### **Value and Identity**

Revitalize our communications strategy in responding to challenges in health and advancing the gifts of our Catholic identity and contributions.

### **National Presence**

Increase CHAC's presence nationally, aligning Catholic health's contributions with efforts to advance health in Canada.

### **Peer Networks**

Build CHAC's networks to increase the vibrancy and importance of national peer groups in Catholic identity, mission, leadership, communications and ethics.

## Serve: Responding to Unmet Needs

Leveraging our legacy through collaboration and innovation, we will work together and with others to forge new paths for greater service, advocate for change and work to transform the health care system for those most vulnerable in society.

### **End-of-Life Support**

Support key partners in advancing pragmatic tools for organizations and Canadians related to palliative and end-of-life education and decision-making.

### **Building With Mission**

Advance “Building With Mission” efforts with a pan-Canadian perspective and engage the Catholic health community in responding to a critical need for housing for people with mental health and addictions challenges.