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I am thrilled to submit my nomination for CPSO Board Director. I see serving on the Board of Directors as an opportunity to contribute to the exciting future of medicine for all Ontarians. Any decision the CPSO makes directly affects patients that get care in Ontario as well as the physicians that provide care to them. Being in a noble profession means to make those with extraordinary powers and skills give their best to the people and accountable to those who trust them the most! I currently practice in an AHAC model of care, where the Indigenous clients I serve come from challenging lived experiences, have constantly faced adversity and have history of generational trauma affecting their health. So, I understand what it means to be trustworthy to those who have constantly had their trust broken. My fundamentals of providing care centers around ethical integrity, commitment, respect, being open to cultural diversity and inclusiveness. Visiting patients in their home communities give me an in-depth understanding of risks and challenges patients face accessing healthcare. Additionally, my role as the Regional Indigenous Cancer Lead gives me the opportunity to understand, lead and think strategically about broad health systems and access to care while advocating for vulnerable and marginalized clients in our region. As an Adjunct Professor with Western University, I get a chance to engage with future young doctors about the paradigm shift in medicine around evidence based, patient-centered care and their role as consultants to help patients make the best decision about their health. My exposure and insight of several health systems, my passion to constantly progress, and giving utmost importance to quality of care given to patients are all attributes that will make me successful as a CPSO Board Director.