



2026 Board Nominee

April Kalyniuk

City/Prov/Territory:

Winnipeg, MB

Place of Employment:

Retired

Present Position:

Retired

Area of Practice:

Centre Director, Advocate, Board Member (provincially)

Education & Credentials:

- **ECE Level 3 (Red River College, 1980)**
- **Daycare Management (University of Manitoba, 1990)**
- **Ethics Training (University of Manitoba)**

Participation in ECE

Organizations:

- Manitoba Child Care Association (MCCA): Active Board Member since 1981; served 2 terms as President; currently Chair of the Public Policy and Professionalism Committee.
- Canadian Child Care Federation (CCCF): Active Board Member for over 25 years; former Member Council Chair and Interim Chair.
- Alberta Resource Centre for Quality Enhancement (ARCQE): Recently recruited national representative on the Board of Directors.

Other Community

Involvement:

Extensive service across provincial and national child care committees focused on advancing sector quality, policy development, and family support.

Candidate Statement

In considering my application to the CCCF Board of Directors as a retiree, I have had a long think about whether I can contribute in a meaningful way to the priorities listed above and believe that I can. I have been a part of the CCCF since its inception and understand the strategic plan that has guided the organization since the beginning. I have been part of overseeing the strategic plan and been a part of the difficult time of downsizing the organization and also a part of moving on from that bringing us to the organization as it stands today—a well-respected national organization that works alongside the other national groups to create a robust Early Learning and Child Care Sector. I am well versed in the CCCF governance structure and the importance of the work we do with each of our affiliate organizations both collectively and independently to support both the work they do in their home provinces and the important work being done at the national level.

As a previous centre director, I have always been committed to EDIAA both for the families I worked with and for the team that I was honored to be a part of. I believe there is a long way to go and I believe the CCCF is the right organization to provide leadership to the sector on this as well as the important work needing to be done in working with our Indigenous peoples.

Coming from Manitoba which is not the biggest province or the one that gets the most attention I believe I can bring the perspective from a province that is unique in one strong provincial organization encompasses both centre based and home based care to the CCCF Board.

Thank you, April Kalyniuk