



## **Merrymount Welcomes New Executive Director**

**July 6, 2018**

Memo to Community Partners and Funders,

The Board of Directors of Merrymount Children's Centre is pleased to announce Paul Howarth as our new Executive Director, effective July 9, 2018. We welcome Paul as he joins our engaged and committed staff. Paul, over the course of his career, has been recognized as a strong leader, known for his collaborative working style, who achieves quality improvement by building upon individual and organizational strengths.

Paul brings with him to Merrymount extensive leadership experience in healthcare delivery, operational efficiency, strategic development and staff engagement. Paul has over 27 years of healthcare experience; most recently as the Integrated Senior Director, Clinical and Environmental Supports at Alexandra Hospital, Ingersoll and Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Howarth said with respect to his appointment:

"I am deeply honoured and excited to have been selected to lead the dedicated Merrymount team who make such a meaningful contribution to our community every day. Merrymount Children's Centre is a recognized leader in crisis support and transition services for children and families within Southwestern Ontario. I look forward to the opportunity to help Merrymount continue to realize possibilities for itself and the families and children it supports in order to ensure that Merrymount continues to deliver responsive and innovative services and programs to strengthen children and their families in times of transition, both now and into the future."

The board would also like to publically thank Mary Ann Tucker for the contributions she has made in support of Merrymount's staff and mission during her term as Interim Executive Director. Mary Ann has done a wonderful job and deserves our gratitude.

Sister Nancy Wales, csj  
Board Chair