



Bob Cooke

An experienced public sector executive, Bob has a passion for working with not-for-profit organizations and all levels of government in a wide variety of areas such as: strategic planning, organizational design, board governance, service system planning, program research, operational reviews and community consultations. He has a reputation for analyzing complex and sensitive issues and situations, especially in the social services and health sectors, and coming up with solutions.

SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS

- As CAO, successfully brought a time-limited (three year) independent high profile commission studying contentious public policy issues to conclusion within budget and on time.
- As Director, assembled and directed the multi-disciplinary team responsible for social assistance legislation, culminating in the first new legislation in thirty years
- Led a feasibility study of the applicability of ISO 9000 to a Ministry of the Provincial Government resulting in certification of selected business units.
- Directed the co-ordination of government strategies and designed an innovative program that moves the homeless off the streets and into shelter.
- Managed analysis of government options for response to an independent study of a conflicted, multi-billion dollar social assistance system with a resulting \$415M plan of improvements.
- Co-chaired a task force of senior municipal and provincial staff which authored a public action plan for local government to realign delivery of social housing, child care and social assistance in ways that achieve savings and improve service.

PRIOR EXPERIENCE

- The Osborne Group
 - Specialty Legal Clinics
 - Region of Peel
 - County of Frontenac
 - Community Care Kawartha Lakes
 - Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
 - City of Guelph
 - Ministry of Community and Social Services
 - The Children's Aid Society of the County of Bruce
 - Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
 - Family Health Teams: Queen Lynch, East Wellington Advisory Group, Parry Sound, Burk's Falls
- YMCA Canada
- The Children's Aid Society of Owen Sound and the County of Grey
- Kinark Child and Family Services
- City of Toronto
- Ministry of Children and Youth Services
- Responsible Gambling Council
- Ontario Multifaith Council on Spiritual and Religious Care
- Northumberland County
- Project Director, Provincial/Municipal Services Implementation Project (Ministry of Community and Social Services)
- CAO of the Fair Tax Commission (Ministry of Finance)
- Director of Quality and Continuous Improvement (Ministry of Economic Development and Trade)
- Director of New Social Assistance Legislation Project (Ministry of Community and Social Services)

QUALIFICATIONS

- University of Toronto – Bachelor of Commerce
- University of Toronto – Master of Business Administration
- Markland Wood Homeowners Association – Past Board Member
- Markland Wood Golf and Country Club – Former Member of Greens Committee
- Mississauga Halton Community Care Access Centre – Past Member - Board of Directors
- Specialized Courses (e.g. Institute of Corporate Directors Governance Essentials for Directors of Not-For-Profit Organizations)

