



Canadian College of  
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# Health Care Study Tour to Sweden

**May 2 to 7, 2010**



**Stockholm**



**Gothenburg**



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Dear Colleague:

**RE: HEALTH CARE STUDY TOUR TO SWEDEN**

We cordially invite you to join a Study Tour to Sweden to be held from May 2 to 7, 2010.

This study tour will bring together a small group of health care leaders in health services research, policy, administration, government and the corporate sector to explore current developments in health services policy and organization in the Swedish health systems. Colleagues from our host country will guide the discussions. The intent is to provide a forum for the exchange of information, ideas and experiences that will foster relationships between Canadians and their Swedish counterparts in Stockholm and Gothenburg.

Feedback on previous Sweden study tours indicates that participants have gained important and timely lessons from examining the Swedish health care system. Most importantly they have been able to apply what they have learned to their own work at home, and have made valuable contacts in Sweden and with their fellow tour panelists. In order to continue to make this experience most relevant to you, we welcome your suggestions and input as we start to develop the detailed program.

The tour will be directed by the Canadian College of Health Service Executives.

If you wish to participate in the Sweden Study Tour, please reserve a seat returning the attached registration form to the College by February 1, 2010.

Sincerely,

Ray J. Racette, CHE  
President and CEO  
CCHSE

John King, CHE  
Vice Chair, CCHSE Board  
Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative  
Officer, St. Michael's Hospital (Toronto)



## HEALTH CARE STUDY TOUR TO SWEDEN

### STOCKHOLM AND GOTHENBURG

MAY 2 TO 7, 2010

A group of Canadian health leaders will visit Sweden. Building on our experience with study tours this program will be a forum for the exchange of experience and ideas about major issues in health care, system organization, delivery and policy.

#### Who Should Register?

Health system and organization leaders, health researchers, government officials, representatives of policy development, planning and regulatory agencies, professionals, corporate leaders and academics with an interest in health system issues are encouraged to participate. We have found that the contact between different groups tests the ideas of all and forges ongoing relationships between the Canadian participants and participants from our two countries. Feel free to contact some of our previous participants in our tours to Scandinavia – more than 100 to date!

#### Objectives

- To provide an enhanced understanding of the Canadian and Swedish health care systems in a shared learning environment;
- To establish connections between the worlds of health policy and health care delivery;
- To explore the nature of leadership in the ever-changing world of health care;
- To facilitate personal and institutional development by generating new experiences and insights into the tasks and nature of leadership.

#### The Program

Reform efforts have preoccupied everyone on both sides of the ocean. Leaders, professionals and policy-makers have felt the powerful impacts of:

- The restructuring of health systems;
- The drive to primary care-based delivery systems;
- Increasing community services and care for the elderly;
- Introduction of private sector involvement and market mechanisms to improve performance;
- Increasing public expectations for improved service access and delivery.

#### Facilitators

- Torbjorn Pelow, Swedish Consultant
- John King CHE, CCHSE Board Vice-Chair and Executive Vice President, St. Michael's Hospital

Canadian participants will explore current issues in the Swedish health service that are relevant to the Canadian context. They will visit organizations, meet Swedish colleagues, and become familiar with the major management, policy, and health delivery issues facing Sweden. Site visits will include:

- Acute care hospitals;
- Primary health care centres;
- Nursing homes; and
- Rehab facilities.



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## Program-at-a Glance

### **Saturday, May 1, 2010**

Most participants & companions will arrive at **the Arlanda Airport**, Stockholm.

### **Sunday, May 2, 2010**

Breakfast in the hotel (included in the hotel price)

Most of the day free, curing jet lag, sight seeing, shopping etc.

6:30 p.m.

Short introduction/overview of program

Introduction to Sweden

7:30 p.m.

Program Sponsored Dinner (travelling companions welcome)

### **Monday, May 3, 2010**

Stockholm Programming

### **Tuesday, May 4, 2010**

Stockholm Programming

### **Wednesday, May 5, 2010**

Morning

Stockholm Programming

Afternoon

Leave by train for Gothenburg

### **Thursday, May 6, 2010**

Morning

Gothenburg Programming

Late Afternoon/Evening

Free time

### **Friday, May 7, 2010**

Gothenburg Programming

Evening

Wrap up dinner

### **Saturday, May 8, 2010**

Leave from Gothenburg for home



### **Costs**

The fee for the five-day program is \$4,500 (plus GST). This fee includes all sessions, daily site visits to explore current developments in the Swedish health system, some meals and local transport. ***It excludes travel to and from Canada, accommodation, and most meals. Participants should budget approximately \$3,000 to cover these costs.*** Partners accompanying participants will be able to participate in the program for special events only.

In order to keep the group together, the Canadian College of Health Service Executives will arrange accommodation and ground transportation between Stockholm and Gothenburg.

A non-refundable administration fee deposit of \$1,000 (plus GST) is required upon registration (due by January 22, 2010). The balance is payable by March 31, 2010. A maximum of 15 participants will be accepted for this tour.

The Canadian College of Health Service Executives reserves the right to make changes in the program and cancel the tour 30 days in advance if registration targets are not met or when conditions beyond its control prevail.

If the program is not held for any reason, the Canadian College of Health Service Executives' liability is limited to the refund of the registration fee only.

Participants are responsible for their own travel arrangements to and from Canada. The purchase of trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.

### **Substitution Policy**

Substitutions will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Notification of substitution must be received in writing.

### **The Canadian College of Health Service Executives**

Founded in 1970, the Canadian College of Health Service Executives is a national, non-profit, professional association dedicated to developing, promoting, advancing and recognizing excellence in health leadership. Our 3,000 individual and 80 corporate members work in all health sectors across the country.

**Participation in this tour qualifies for twenty-five (25) Category One MOC credits for Certified Health Executives and Fellows of the College.**



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**REGISTRATION FORM  
DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

*Please register me for the 2010 Sweden Health Care Study Tour:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I will travel with a companion(s): Yes  No

Name of companion(s): \_\_\_\_\_

My companion(s) would like to attend shared functions: Yes  No

Additional costs will apply. Costs will be confirmed upon program finalization.

A non-refundable deposit of \$1000 (plus GST) must accompany registration. Method of payment:

Cheque payable to Canadian College of Health Service Executives (enclosed)

MasterCard  VISA  American Express

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

“I understand that a non-refundable deposit of \$1,000 (plus GST) is required upon registration (due by January 22, 2010). The balance is payable by March 31, 2010. The Canadian College of Health Service Executives reserves the right to cancel the tour 30 days in advance if it is under-subscribed and is not responsible for charges that I may incur in the event of cancellation?”.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to:**

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