

MPO/MNPQC Background: Minnesota Perinatal Organization (MPO) was founded in 1974 as a multidisciplinary association of individuals and organizations dedicated to improving perinatal health. MPO provides up-to-date information on perinatal care practices, services and technical advancements and an opportunity to network with professionals from the region. The Minnesota Perinatal Quality Collaborative (MNPQC) was developed in 2018 and is facilitated by the Minnesota Perinatal Organization (MPO) along with support from the Minnesota Department of Health.

MPO/MNPQC Mission: The MNPQC is a network of organizations, medical providers, content experts, and community voices led by Minnesota Perinatal Organization (MPO) in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). We seek to improve perinatal and infant health outcomes with an emphasis on improving health equity for all birthing people.

Description: MPO board of director members will provide overall governance to the organization, representing it to the community in order to achieve the mission of the organization (including the MNPQC). This position requires a 3-year commitment.

For more information, visit: minnesotaperinatal.org

MPO Board of Director Member Responsibilities:

- Planning
 - Oversee MPO’s philosophy and review teams performing in achieving its mission
 - Approve strategic operating and fundraising plans in the annual budget
 - Approve major policy changes

- Administrative
 - Approve compensation and benefits for staff
 - Suggest potential candidates to fill board vacancies as needed
 - Assist in recruiting board members and other individuals for projects to support the mission of organization
 - Approve a performance review of the executive director

- Operational
 - Review the results achieved by the team as compared with the organization’s mission, annual and long-range goals
 - Provide candid and constructive criticism, advice and comments
 - Approve major actions of the organization
 - Work with agencies, foundations, and major donors to develop branding and marketing strategies
 - Create and maintain relationships with partner organizations and other community and industry leaders

- Finances and Fundraising

Member, Board of Directors



- Ensure that the board and its committees are informed through reports and other methods, of the condition of the organization and its operations
- Review compliance with relevant laws affecting the organization
- Assist with fundraising with developing contacts and fulfilling fundraising plan
- Perform other duties as prescribed by the board
- Consider giving a charitable contribution, in an amount reasonable relative to personal assets, to the general fund of the organization

Skills Required:

- Innovation - Ability to visualize the future of the organization to plan, strategize and execute progressive goals
- Passionate about the mission of MPO
- Strong leadership skills with the ability to inspire people to action through their influence
- Excellent communication and relationship building skills
- Strong accountability
- Effective planning and organizational skills
- Strong interest and knowledge of the QI process (currently using IHI improvement process for the MNPQC)

Other potential skills (not required):

- Interest in marketing
- Interest and knowledge of website design
- Knowledge and experience with grant writing

Time Commitment:

- Term is expected 3 years
- As described in responsibilities, participation of role expected at:
 - MPO Board Meetings (monthly as needed)