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Dr. Karen Harkness has been a cardiovascular nurse for over 30 years and completed her PhD studies in 2009. Her graduate studies were supported by a Junior Research Fellowship Award (Heart and Stroke of Canada) and the FUTURE training program for Cardiovascular Nurse Scientists (CIHR).

Between 2009-2014, Dr. Harkness was a cardiovascular nurse clinician scientist and supported by a Research Early Career Award (Hamilton Health Sciences) and New Investigator Award (Hamilton Health Sciences). She also is an Assistant Clinical Professor with the Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University and has over 30 peer reviewed publications in the last 5 years.

Dr. Harkness is a member of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society Heart Failure Guidelines (Secondary Panel) and a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Canadian Heart Failure Society.

Currently Dr. Harkness is a clinical strategist and subject matter expert for heart failure at CorHealth Ontario (formerly known as the Cardiac Care Network). This role includes engaging key stakeholders from clinical, research and administrative positions to help inform and improve health system design and patient- centred care in Ontario.

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