## **Telfer Health Transformation Exchange Event**

The Honourable Kelvin K. Ogilvie, Senator

Senate of Canada

October 3, 2017 5:00 pm Telfer School of Management 55 Laurier Avenue East Room DMS 12102 Please RSVP by September 26

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## Mayday... Canada's Healthcare System in Crisis

## **About the Talk**

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology in 2012 produced an in-depth study on the progress of the 2004 Health Accord titled "Time for Transformative Change." Conservative Senator Kelvin Ogilvie, Chair of that Committee, now states that transformative change has not occurred and the "system" is entering a crisis phase.

In spite of world leading medical researchers, highly trained, skilled and dedicated health care workers, Canada's health care delivery is failing Canadians as it operates on a bureaucratic model serving accountants and not Canadians in need of timely care. As the Senate Report noted, it is a system of silos incapable of treating the whole patient health needs in a timely fashion. Canadians deserve a better system.

## **About the Speaker**

The Honourable Kelvin K. Ogilvie, C.M., Ph.D., D.Sc., H.Col., F.C.I.C., Senator, was (1993–2003) President and Vice-Chancellor of Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Senator Kelvin K. Ogilvie is a leading expert on biotechnology, bioorganic chemistry and genetic engineering. His scientific accomplishments include the development of the chemistry of the "Gene Machine", an automated process for the manufacture of DNA. He is the inventor of Ganciclovir, a drug used worldwide to fight infections that occur when one's immune system is weakened. Both of these achievements were recognized in 2000 as "Milestones of Canadian Chemistry in the 20th Century" by the Canadian Society of Chemistry.

Senator Ogilvie was named a Steacie Fellow in 1982, admitted to the Order of Canada in 1991 and in 1992 received the Manning Principal Award as Canada's outstanding contributor to innovation. He was inducted into the Nova Scotia Discovery Centre Science & Technology Hall of Fame in 2002 and the Canadian Science & Engineering Hall of Fame in 2011. In 2013 he received the Rx&D Health Research Foundation Medal of Honour for his outstanding contributions to health sciences and public health innovation.

Dr. Ogilvie was appointed to the Canadian Senate by Prime Minister Stephen Harper on August 27th, 2009. He is currently the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology and Past Chair of the Health Research Caucus.



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