

# Celebrating Recovery in Sudbury and 30 Years at the Helm

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016** -- North East LHIN Hub Officer Nancy Lacasse congratulated both Monarch Recovery Services, on another successful year, and Kathryn Irwin-Seguin on her 30 years of being at the helm of the addiction provider (in its many incarnations) at its annual meeting. Monarch was created through the integration of Rockhaven, which provided services for men, and Iris Addiction Recovery for Women in 2014.

Lacasse talked about how Monarch delivers outstanding services— including opening a new Men’s Day Treatment Program this year— and its participation on many collaborative projects including Sudbury Community Mobilization’s Rapid Response Table, working with 20 other organizations to help families and individuals at “acutely elevated risk.”

“It’s this spirit of collaboration and cooperation, a willingness to work with many partners to make sure people can access the help they need, that is Monarch’s strength,” said Lacasse.

The agency also participated in the [North East Addiction Services Review](#) by Dr. Brian Rush, who praised Monarch’s “exemplary range of services,” Indigenous programming, and “collaborative” approach to securing supportive housing for clients.

Irwin-Seguin announced that it would be her last annual meeting as she plans to retire in 2017, passing the torch over to Roxanne Zuck, Monarch’s current Programs Coordinator.

“I don’t know that many employers can state they have liked all of their employees over the last 30 years, but I can. I have been blessed with amazing, committed, competent, and caring staff and I have learned from, and appreciated, each of them,” Irwin-Seguin said after thanking the LHIN for its support, as well as her Board members, and countless volunteers.



*North East LHIN Officer Nancy Lacasse (left) and Kathryn Irwin-Seguin, Monarch CEO (right).*

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