

Terry Hawrysh

Patient partner

TPAC member since 2026

Terry Hawrysh is a cancer survivor committed to improving the quality of clinical care for patients. Utilizing his lived experience with a rare hematological malignancy, he serves as a patient partner and advisor, collaborating with various cancer research institutions, non-governmental organizations, healthcare systems, and government authorities to help ensure the delivery of effective, accessible, equitable, and timely patient-centric care.

He is a former Chair of the Patient Family Advisory Council at OICR and continues to provide guidance and actively participate as a patient partner across a wide range their innovative pre-clinical and clinical research themes, programs, and studies.

He also serves as a patient representative to Canada's Drug Agency's pan Canadian Oncology Drug Expert Review Committee, and a patient partner to the Ottawa Hospital Research Institute's Blueprint Translational Research Group and clinical research studies. Additionally, he participates on numerous committees dedicated to achieving superior patient outcomes with organizations such as Clinical Trials Ontario, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada, BioCanRx, Southlake Regional Hospital, Ontario Health, and CASCADES, which focuses on the implementation of environmentally sustainable healthcare practices and policies

A retired professional engineer, Terry holds a B.A.Sc. from the University of Toronto and an M.Sc.Eng. from Queen's University (Kingston).