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Mississauga Board of Trade  
2012 Business Award of Excellence**

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Connie Clerici, President & CEO of Closing the Gap Healthcare Group will be honoured on November 8, 2012 with the Mississauga Board of Trade (MBOT) 2012 Business Award of Excellence. Presented annually, the award is given to an outstanding individual who has best demonstrated exceptional leadership and vision. They are an employed or self-employed individual working at any level within a public or private sector organization. Their efforts have brought sustained benefits to their organization for employees, customers, suppliers and stakeholders. This individual, during this past year, has also given back to the community in time, energy and resources. Sheldon Leiba, President and CEO of the MBOT states, “Connie Clerici exemplifies outstanding business leadership, success, achievements and contributions to our community. MBOT is extremely proud to recognize her with the 2012 Business Person of the Year Award.”

Connie is passionate about people and she celebrates the impact she and her staff at Closing the Gap Healthcare Group have on the lives of so many Canadians. Joanne Greco, Director Community Services at Closing the Gap Healthcare Group states, “Connie is an inspirational leader who is driven by enabling partnerships and innovation in healthcare that promote quality and excellence. Her genuine care for the health and well-being of clients who receive care and for the staff that deliver the care make her an extraordinary leader who continues to drive positive change and advancement in the delivery of healthcare.”

“What an honour to receive such acknowledgment for our commitment in the Region where we founded our organization over twenty years ago” states Clerici.

For more information on the awards ceremony, please visit our website [www.mbot.com](http://www.mbot.com) or contact [events@mbot.com](mailto:events@mbot.com)

**About Mississauga Board of Trade**

*As the voice of business since 1976, Mississauga Board of Trade is a private-sector, not-for-profit business organization representing over 1,500 businesses employing 65,000 people in Mississauga. MBOT is dedicated to providing a Mississauga business perspective on public policy and to promoting a better understanding of the marketplace among policy makers, media and the general public.*

**About Closing the Gap Healthcare Group**

Closing the Gap Healthcare Group is an award-winning Canadian business that provides community-based rehabilitation therapy, nursing, and personal support services. Over 750 staff members located in multiple regions across Ontario provide service in homes, schools, long-term care homes, hospitals, workplaces and clinics.

Fully accredited, our operations are guided by our Quality Charter ensuring we provide healthcare services of exceptionally high quality, and that we meet or exceed the expectations of our clients, our customers, our staff members and our organization. Additional information about our Quality Charter, our leadership team, staff, and our Advisory Board can be found on our website, at [www.closingthegap.ca](http://www.closingthegap.ca).

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