Dr. Jane Philpott

Dr. Jane Philpott is a family physician and former Member of Parliament. She served in numerous cabinet positions including Minister of Health, Minister of Indigenous Services and President of the Treasury Board. Throughout her career, Jane has been committed to the importance of public service, using the opportunities we have to make life better for other people. Her health advocacy work has been influenced by 9 years of practice in Africa.

Dr. Jane Philpott is Associate Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at University of Toronto. Following a family medicine residency, she completed a Masters of Public Health. For the first decade of her career, Jane practiced family medicine in Niger, West Africa. In 1998, Jane returned to Stouffville, Ontario to practice family medicine. In 2004, Jane founded the Give a Day to World AIDS initiative to assist people affected by HIV/AIDS in Africa. She was Chief of Family Medicine at Markham Stouffville Hospital and led the development of family medicine training at Addis Ababa University in Ethiopia. From 2015-19, Jane played a lead role in federal policies that shaped Canada: bringing in 25,000 Syrian refugees; legislating Medical Assistance in Dying; and improving clean water infrastructure for First Nations. Health advocacy is central to Jane's work: "As Canadians, we are co-workers in the construction of a strong healthy future for our society and planet. We must be our best, most generous selves and encourage the best from one another." At present, Jane serves as Special Advisor on Health for Nishnawabe Aski Nation (NAN) representing 49 First Nation Communities in Northern Ontario

For additional information about Jane's health advocacy work as reflected in her blog and Give a Day to World AIDS, please visit the following websites:

http://janephilpott.ca/

https://giveaday.ca/