

## Get Involved!

GTA Chapter events provide members with a wealth of opportunities to network with peers, discuss challenges and best practices with senior consultants, attend workshops, join special interest groups, socialize and have fun.

If you have an idea for a professional development workshop, a new special interest group, or another great social event please contact Ed McMahon, GTA Chapter Professional Development Chair ([ed@teamworx.org](mailto:ed@teamworx.org)).

To join our new mentoring program as either a mentor or mentee please contact Eleanor Lester ([eleanorlester@rogers.com](mailto:eleanorlester@rogers.com)).

Your GTA Chapter has a strong and vibrant group of volunteers, who strive to bring you great programs and real value for your CMC-Canada membership. We are always listening to you for ways to improve and we're glad to hear your comments. But the best way to get real value from your membership is to get involved. Contact any of us on the GTA Chapter and we'll help you do that.

Jim Love, FCMC | Chair GTA Chapter | CMC-Canada



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# CALENDAR of EVENTS



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We give you the tools you need to succeed!

### Developing Consultants

CMC-Ontario-GTA Chapter has a comprehensive program of workshops, networking events and professional development training tailored to meet the needs of member consultants at various stages of their careers.

Continuing professional development is important to ensure members are up-to-date with the latest trends and best practices in Management Consulting. To maintain high standards of professional competency, members are required to commit to specific levels of professional development each year.

Our Professional Development program aims to equip our members with the skills, competencies and knowledge they need to stay relentlessly ahead of their clients, and to provide the thought leadership that discriminating clients rightfully demand.

GTA events are designed around three principal themes: Professional Development, Special Interest Groups, and Social and Networking events.

### Professional Development

Our workshops, seminars and white papers are created with a view to help our consultants stay current with core consulting skills, and stay ahead of their clients on specific, topical issues. The focus is on skills such as facilitation, conflict management, and client relationships, as well as the expertise required to successfully manage your consulting practice. In addition our seminars dive into the Business of Consulting and general interest business management.

As a member-led organization, we aim to provide Professional Development that meets your needs. Help us understand your interests so we can tailor programs to provide maximum value. Contact Ed McMahon ([ed@teamworx.org](mailto:ed@teamworx.org)), GTA Chapter Professional Development Chair.

### Special Interest Groups

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) provide members with the opportunity to meet in an informal setting and discuss issues and ideas related to a specific industry sector or functional area. Consultants review current challenges and share ideas with other like-minded specialists.

The GTA Chapter has a number of Special Interest Groups which meet regularly through the year. These include:

- Strategy (Chair: Jim Love)
- Business Process Improvement (Chair: Angelo Barratta)
- Government and Public Sector (Chair: Richard Lundeen)
- Information Technology (Chair: Christine Irving)
- International SIG (Chair: Bob White)

Would you like to start a new SIG? Contact Ed McMahon ([ed@teamworx.org](mailto:ed@teamworx.org)), the GTA Chapter Professional Development Chair for information to get up and running.

### Social and Networking

From enjoyable pub nights to our annual golf outing and Christmas party, our social and networking events are a great way to meet other consultants in casual and informal settings.

### Mentoring Program

In 2009 we are piloting a mentoring program aimed at understanding and meeting the needs of our members in this crucial area. Whether you wish to be trained as a mentor or you are looking to find one, please contact Eleanor Lester ([eleanorlester@rogers.com](mailto:eleanorlester@rogers.com)).

### Publications

We publish White Papers on topics of interest to members and their clients throughout the year. These White Papers will raise the profile of the CMC designation and create opportunities for members to contribute to this profession.

**SEPTEMBER 2009**

- **Professional Development Series** – Business Planning (Date TBD)
- **Recruitment Event** – CMC Canada Info Session (Date TBD) These sessions are designed to introduce and invite potential members to join CMC-Canada.
- **Mentoring Training** (Date TBD)
- **Social Event** – Golf Day (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG presents CRM and Client Focused Strategies**, presenter Jim Love, FCMC (Date TBD)
- **Government SIG presents Ontario's Fiscal Plans and Implications for Our Public Sector Clients**, presenter Ontario Deputy Minister of Finance (Date TBD)
- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG** – Topic TBD – September 29

**OCTOBER 2009**

- **Professional Development Series** – Consulting Skills Workshop #1 (Date TBD). This is an extended professional development event which will include several topics of interest to members.
- **Mentoring Exchange/New Member Feedback Survey** (Date TBD)
- **IT SIG hosts a Chapter-Wide event:** Trends in Information Technology (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG presents Strategies for Client Profitability** presenter Tom Carter, President Strategic Leadership Forum (Date TBD)
- **International SIG presents Ethics and Corporate Responsibility**, presenter Bob White, President BRI International Inc. (Date TBD)
- **Government SIG presents Ontario's Climate Change and Green Strategies** (Date TBD)

**NOVEMBER 2009**

- **Professional Development Series** – Industry Trends Session (Date TBD)
- **Recruitment Event** – CMC-Canada Info Session (Date TBD) These sessions are designed to introduce and invite potential members to join CMC-Canada.
- **Government SIG presents Ontario's Open for Business Initiative** (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG presents Multi-Cultural Marketing Strategies**, presenter, Cleve Lum, CMC (Date TBD)
- **International SIG** – Topic TBD – November 4
- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG** – Topic TBD – November 24

**DECEMBER 2009**

- **Volunteer Recruitment/Volunteer Appreciation Event** (Date TBD)
- **Social Event** – Christmas Party (Date TBD)

**JANUARY 2010**

- **Recruitment Event** – CMC-Canada Info Session (Date TBD) These sessions are designed to introduce and invite potential members to join CMC-Canada.
- **Government SIG hosts a Chapter-Wide event** – Government and Public Sector update (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG** – Topic TBD – January 12
- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG** – Topic TBD – January 26

**FEBRUARY 2010**

- **Professional Development Series** – Webinars: “How to / tools” (Date TBD)
- **Mentoring Exchange and Social Networking** (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG** – Topic TBD – February 9
- **International SIG** – Topic TBD – February 24

**MARCH 2010**

- **Professional Development Series presents Consulting Skills Workshop #2** (Date TBD). This is an extended professional development event which will include several topics of interest to members.
- **New Member Survey** (Date TBD)
- **Volunteer Recruitment/ Volunteer Appreciation Event** (Date TBD)
- **Social Networking / Pub Night** (Date TBD)
- **Government SIG presents How to and Opportunities** (Date TBD)
- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG** – Topic TBD – March 30

**APRIL 2010**

- **Professional Development Series** – Hiring a Consultant: Panel Discussion (Date TBD)
- **Professional Development Series** – Business of Consulting: Business Basics (Date TBD)
- **Recruitment Event** – CMC-Canada Info Session (Date TBD) These sessions are designed to introduce and invite potential members to join CMC-Canada.
- **Mentoring Exchange** (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG** – Topic TBD – April 13
- **International SIG** – Topic TBD – April 27

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- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG presents** – Sigma, Lean, Agile (Date TBD)
- **Recruitment Event** – CMC-Canada Info Session (Date TBD) These sessions are designed to introduce and invite potential members to join CMC-Canada.
- **PMI Partnership Event (Date TBD)**  
A conference event co-sponsored by PMI and CMC-Ontario-GTA Chapter. It brings members of both professional associations together for the purpose of professional development and networking.
- **Strategy SIG** – Topic TBD – May 11
- **BPI (Business Process Improvement) SIG** – Host SIG for membership-wide Event – May 25

**JUNE 2010**

- **Professional Development** – Industry Symposium (Ontario) (Date TBD)
- **Strategy SIG presents Second Annual Strategy Olympics** (Date TBD) – Sponsored by the GTA Chapter and the Strategy Special Interest Group, this is our second annual competition where graduate business students from Canada and around the world team up using the latest in virtual technologies to compete for medals in the Strategy Olympics.

**JULY 2010**

- **Mentoring Exchange** (Date TBD)