

## Darin Hovius, BA, BSW, RSW

### Member Representative

**Term:** 2021-2024 (1st term)  
**Region:** Capital

### Biography



Darin holds a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Winnipeg (2013) and a Bachelor of Social Work degree from Booth University College (2021). Darin's pursuit of a BSW came after years of working in various support roles, leadership development and mentorship opportunities with youth and adults. Social Work has been an avenue for Darin to utilize many of his passions, skills and experiences in a greater capacity to bring about social change.

Darin has been working for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority since December 2020 in various roles. He currently holds a position as the Housing Coordinator with the Downtown/Point Douglas My Health Team; an interdisciplinary team that supports 18 fee-for-service and community health association clinics. His work focuses on navigating housing resources and supports, while also navigating the various systems that need to be involved to ensure

that access to housing is possible. Darin enjoys having the opportunity to connect with various community partners to ensure that individuals are getting access to the care and support they deserve. In addition to his role with WRHA, Darin is a group facilitator with Salvation Army's Corrections & Justice Services' *Choose 2 Change Program* supporting men as they seek to develop healthier relationships. Darin has been doing this work since February 2020, and gets passionate about the tangible progress that is witnessed when men find safe spaces to address their emotional health & wellness.

Darin previously served on the Board of Directors for the Manitoba College of Social Workers as a Student Representative (2020-2021). Since then Darin has served as a member representative and has been privileged to be able to take part in the work of the college. Darin believes in the importance of maintaining professionalism in the field of Social Work and he looks forward to continuing his involvement to promote and foster the importance of social work in the lives of people.