As a business leader, you know the value of building lasting connections, learning from and supporting peers, and challenging yourself to continually grow as a leader. The Commonwealth Institute offers women an opportunity to do this and more through membership, forums, programs and events.

What is the forum?

The forum will give you a chance to discuss the challenges you face as a key leader and decision maker in your organization. The Forum creates a safe and confidential, non-competitive environment where you can discuss pressing issues with peers and get the support and guidance you need to move your business forward.

Each forum is professionally facilitated by a Commonwealth Institute trusted forum facilitator and an expert in leadership and team development. Each forum is made up of 8 to 10 women who manage their own successful businesses. They represent diverse industries including marketing/advertising, healthcare, finance, high-technology, legal and manufacturing. It’s like having your own advisory board meeting 12 times a year!

Specifically, Forum participants enjoy:

- A safe, interactive, confidential environment to discuss critical business issues and gain support in decision making.
- A structured, ongoing format for professional and business development.
- Access to resources, contacts and strong personal support via other Forum members.
- One-on-one interaction with a professional Forum Leader.
- Complimentary admission to additional TCI educational seminars and members-only events.

Discussions include such areas as:

- Evaluation of the best growth strategies
- Benefits and risks of setting up strategic partnerships
- How to create pricing models
- Sharpening your value proposition
- Finding opportunities unique to your business
- Marketing strategies next 3/5 years out
- Relationship building with key customers

If you are a female business leader seeking access to resources and connections, in need of a confidential, supportive advisory board and a safe, interactive environment to discuss your critical issues, then the CEO Forum might be the “right fit” for you.
Requirements for Membership in the Commonwealth CEO Forum

* Woman CEO or President in established (minimum three years in operation) organization
* Minimum one year commitment to the Forum (Forum is ongoing)
* Passion for growth and learning
* To maximize the effectiveness and composition of the Forum, each member is required to complete an application and phone appointment with the Forum Leader

Cost and Additional Benefits

* The forum ranges from $2,150 - $2,250 depending on time and location
* The cost includes a general membership in TCI (value $395), granting you free access to our Educational Seminar Series, invitation to members-only events and programs, and discounts to attend Special Programs and Signature Events
* You will receive ongoing access to your forum leader and larger TCI membership community

About TCI

The Commonwealth Institute (TCI) is a non-profit organization devoted to advancing businesswomen in leadership positions in Massachusetts and Florida. We are ambitious, success-oriented women committed to growing our respective organizations and to supporting each other as we accomplish our individual goals. In short, TCI helps women business leaders become and remain successful.

Join Now

For more information about applying to join this Commonwealth Forum, please contact Lizzie Dunklee, Director of Membership and Marketing at The Commonwealth Institute ldunklee@commonwealthinstitute.org or 617-888-6101.


“My Forum has helped me sort through thorny issues, like partnership breakdowns, and led me to do reality checks when they’re most needed. As an entrepreneur, one of the things you miss sorely is someone who’s outside of the business to bounce off a decision.”

Roberta Sydney President Sydney Associates, Inc.