

Western Ontario Health Team (WOHT)

Activities during September 2020

Acknowledging members leaving the Council

The Council thanked Dr. Cathy Faulds (primary care) and Steve Crawford (long term care) for their energy and commitment as members of the Coordinating Council.

Chronic COVID Management

- COVID-19 Care Pathway with Remote Patient Monitoring proposal
 - Proposal accepted by Ontario Health. OHT now accountable for this initiative with support from OH West.
- Regional pandemic response and planning
 - Pandemic planning leadership triad for London Middlesex now an OHT subcommittee.
 - Pandemic planning is still the responsibility of the triad but this will strengthen OHT's system responsibilities
- London COVID-19 Assessment Centres
 - Overwhelming volumes – Assessment Centres more than doubled capacity from end of June and now working at capacity. Prioritizing people who fit provincial testing framework.
 - The Assessment Centre Operations Working Group is developing a proposal for the longer term operation of Assessment Centres to address local needs and fit within provincial funding framework with province. Working group will bring this to the next Coordinating Council meeting.
 - Assessment Centre accountability agreements to come.
 - Pediatric testing guidelines to be distributed soon. Requires OHT and pandemic planning triad review.
 - Care pathways coming for testing in children – guidance for primary care, pediatrics and Emergency Departments (aligned with schools and Public Health).

WOHT Governance

- Incorporating indigenous perspective into governance and leadership.
- Patient, Client & Caregiver Partner Council Terms of Reference
 - Council is made up of 12 members with lived experience of patient and caregiver councils.
 - Includes Patient Declaration of Values written by provincial patient, client caregiver advisory committee.
 - Consensus to accept Terms of Reference by Coordinating Council. Terms of Reference to be embedded in WOHT governance documents.
- Established selection committee for OHT Lead.
- Every Coordinating Council member will have a delegate so that there are cluster representatives at every meeting.
- Noted gap in involving community specialists in OHT work – work to address that.

WOHT Funding

- Consensus decision making agreement (CDMA) finalized for submission to Ministry
- Member funded voluntary contributions are being confirmed.

Cluster (sector) Updates

Primary Care

Dr. Gord Schacter provided information on primary care sector building to date:

- Chronology of primary care governance in London Middlesex:
 - SW Primary Care Network in 2011 to the SW Primary Alliance in 2017 with LHIN co-chair and elected family physicians
 - In 2019, the London Middlesex Primary Care Alliance (LMPCA) organized various OHT events for primary care providers in London and rural Middlesex
 - Primary Care Transformation Lead hired in October 2019
 - Work was paused at the beginning of the pandemic.
 - In August 2020, the leadership group held formal governance sessions and established a working group to develop recommendations on how to structure primary care governance.
- Shared primary care maturity model created by Ontario Primary Care Council – grassroots group of family physicians working with OHTs. This shows where we are trying to get primary care to. Key enablers:
 - Funded primary care leadership
 - Support structure for OHT work
 - And more.
- LMPCA has created a draft vision and mission to be reviewed by the primary care leadership group.
- Primary care structure in London Middlesex meant to be fully inclusive of all primary care providers.
- [LMPCA website](#) includes info on OHT work and other work going on in primary care.
- Comments from Council:
 - This presentation is meant to level set in terms of primary care in the OHT context and highlight the work that has been done for years on a volunteer basis. How can OHT support primary leadership, even if on an interim basis, to allow this work to move forward.
 - Would like other presentations from other sectors to learn about them and their challenges.

Coming in October 2020

- Long term plan for London COVID-19 Assessment Centres
- Recruitment of core OHT operations roles (OHT lead, project management support, admin support)
- Alignment between Digital Health and Population Health Working Groups
- City of London stabilization beds -- proposal to MOH

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