

# Western Ontario Health Team (WOHT)

Activities during November 2020

## Announcing new WOHT Lead

The Coordinating Council announced that Amber Alpaugh-Bishop was the successful candidate for the WOHT Lead position – Amber was chosen from a pool of eight candidates. She will be seconded from Ontario Health West starting January 4, 2021. Katey Young has also been seconded from St. Joseph's as executive support.

The transition to the OHT core team will begin immediately. The Council thanked Nancy Dool-Kontio and Susan Volbrecht for their stellar work in supporting OHT work to date.

## Year 1 Population Work (People with Advanced COPD and CHF)

- This working group has focused on identifying data sources and data collection tools for indicators required by the Ministry of Health for the year 1 population. This will include patient experience data. This submission is due December 1.
- Working group's presentation was circulated after the November 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting to allow members to reflect Ministry data requirements. More discussion will occur at the next Council meeting.
- Some discussion about joint planning with OHTs within our region to start standardized population health planning across the South West and the province.
- WOHT will also set up our indicators specific to our region.

## WOHT Governance

On November 12, 2020, WOHT Coordinating Council adopted the following foundational governance documents by consensus:

- Governance principles
- Coordinating Council Terms of Reference
- Cluster Representation process
- Consensus decision-making process
- Dispute resolution process
- WOHT Governance Working Group Terms of Reference

At the same meeting, Coordinating Council also agreed to the following:

- Francophone representation - that the Coordinating Council invite the Oversight Committee for Accès Franco-Santé be invited to become a Community Organization Member and that this group be encouraged to consider identifying individuals from the Francophone community who could become involved with the Patient/Client and Caregiver Council, the Population Health Coalition, the Communications Working Group, Integrated Care Delivery Working Group, and healthcare improvement projects.
- Single Municipalities cluster - that the Coordinating Committee Co-Chairs will follow up with the Coordinating Council representatives for the City of London and the County of Middlesex to discuss whether they are in favour of moving to a single Municipalities Cluster with 2 representatives.

#### Other action items:

- Council members will also distribute the draft WOHT strategic direction and organization to their cluster for feedback.
- Transition to new Coordinating Council -- each cluster/sector to discuss a timeline. Goal is for this transition to be complete by March 31, 2021. Coordinating Council will have interim representation until then.
- Explore RISE and other OHT for examples of cluster agreements and/or member agreements.

#### WOHT Funding

- Still awaiting funding letter from the Ministry of Health.
- Member funded contributions – received responses from most partners confirming amount of voluntary contributions. Commitment letters and invoices will be sent to each organization shortly. RISE fund-sharing agreement template will define the level of accountability between Thames Valley Family Health Team and collaborating partners until such time as foundational governance and collaborative agreement work is done.

#### Communication with patients, stakeholders and public

- Members will distribute this monthly update widely through their sectors/clusters

#### Upcoming agenda items

- Long term plan for London COVID-19 Assessment Centres
- Recruitment of core OHT operations roles (project management support)
- Virtual Urgent Care Services proposal
- Proposal for home and community care funding for patients

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