



TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health

FROM: Christopher Mackie, Medical Officer of Health

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH ACTIVITY REPORT – SEPTEMBER

Recommendation

It is recommended that Report No. 058-14 re Medical Officer of Health Activity Report – September be received for information.

The following report highlights activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) from the July Medical Officer of Health Activity Report to September 8, 2014.

Throughout the summer months, the Medical Officer of Health continued to meet with staff on a regular basis as well as take some time for vacation days.

In preparation for the July 18th Board of Health & Senior Leadership Team Planning Day, five Strategic Planning Focus Group sessions were held to allow all Health Unit staff to contribute to the development of the new strategic plan. These sessions were very engaging and allowed staff to discover and discuss the values & “noble cause” that drive MLHU’s work. The Planning Day included both a discussion of the principles of generative governance and work to further develop the Health Unit’s vision and mission.

Work continues on the PBMA 2015 process. The Senior Leadership Team (SLT) reviewed the weights and criteria and developed the time line for this year’s process. In mid-August, Senior Leaders reviewed the draft criteria and weights with Managers for input and feedback. On September 2, Jordan Banninga, Manager, Strategic Projects assisted SLT in finalizing the weights and criteria which will now be presented to the Board for approval.

The MOH presented at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario AMO Conference on August 19th on the topic of “Healthy Communities by Design”.

The Medical Officer of Health and CEO also attended the following teleconferences and events:

- July 10 Met with TRR Architects to discuss a space needs assessment for the Health Unit
- July 14 Met with LHSC staff to discuss Partnering in Transition – Code Red Project
- July 15 Travelled to Toronto to attend farewell celebration for Dr. Arlene King
- July 16 Met with LHSC staff to discuss drug strategy
- July 16 As United Way Cabinet member, met with London Police Services to encourage their participation in United Way fundraising
- July 17 Via teleconference, met with Mark Spowart, a reporter, to discuss IV drug use in London
- July 17 Attended Board of Health meeting

- July 21 In the role of United Way Cabinet member, met with staff at the London Transit Commission to encourage their participation in United Way fundraising
- July 28 Met with Mary Lou Albanese, Manager of Environmental Health and Chronic Disease Prevention and Dan Flaherty, Manager of Communications to discuss an InMotion CTV/Bell Media advertising proposal
- July 29 Attended a Public Health Ontario Grand Rounds teleconference – The Healthy Babies Healthy Children Process Implementation Evaluation
- July 30 Met with Shaun Elliot, CEO at the YMCA to discuss opportunities for collaboration between the Y and MLHU
- July 30 Attended a meeting with Dr. Sharon Koivu, LHSC to discuss harm reduction and drug strategy
- August 18 Welcomed Dr. Gayane Hovhannisyan, Associate Medical Officer of Health to the Health Unit
- August 18 Met with Dan Flaherty, manager Communications and Jason Micallef, Marketing Coordinator to discuss an Agency-Wide Communications Campaign
- August 20 Attended a meeting with Glen Pearson and Martha Powell to provide MLHU input in regards to the potential restructuring of the London and Area Food Bank
- August 22 Participated in a meeting at the London InterCommunity Health Centre to discuss Partnering in Transformation: Code Red Project. This meeting was attended by several local agencies, including: LHSC, SWLHIN, City of London, UWO
- September 2 Co-presented at Grand Rounds, Western Centre for Public and Family Medicine, with Dr. Bryna Warshawsky on Ebola and Drug Use in this region
- September 4 Attended September Finance and Facilities Committee meeting
- September 5 Met by teleconference with Dr. Arlene King, former Ontario Chief Medical Officer of Health, to discuss the future of public health in Ontario



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This report addresses Ontario Public Health Organizational Standard 2.9 Reporting relationship of the medical officer of health to the board of health