



TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health
FROM: Chris Mackie, Medical Officer of Health
DATE: 2015 February 19

MARCH 2015 BOARD OF HEALTH SELF-ASSESSMENT SURVEY

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Governance Committee recommend that members of the Middlesex-London Board of Health complete the survey attached as Appendix A to Report No. 06-15GC in March 2015 and that the Governance Committee review results at its April meeting in order to propose recommendations to improve Board effectiveness and engagement.

Key Points

- It is recommended that the Board complete the Board Self-Assessment survey in March 2015 as outlined in the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards.
- It is recommended that the Governance Committee review the findings and propose recommendations for improvements in board effectiveness and engagement at the April 2015 Governance Committee meeting.

The Board Self-Assessment Survey process was revised and approved by the Board of Health in October 2013 to fulfill a requirement of the Organizational Standards related to a self-evaluation process of governance practices and outcomes.

The survey is attached as [Appendix A](#) and is also available online. The link to the survey will be emailed to Board Members following the March 19, 2015 meeting. Board members are asked to complete the online survey or submit a completed paper copy of the survey by April 2, 2015. Completed hard copies can be left in a sealed envelope with the Executive Assistant to the Board of Health, Ms. Sherri Sanders, at the March 19, 2015 Board of Health meeting or mailed directly to Ms. Sanders at 50 King St., London, ON, N6A 5L7.

Two additional questions on the Board of Health Self-Assessment survey assess if the board is getting the appropriate amount and type of information from staff in reports, presentations and during question and answer periods. These questions were asked in 2014.

Members of the Governance Committee, with the Epidemiologist and MOH, will review de-identified findings of the survey and propose “recommendations for improvements in board effectiveness and engagement” as stated in Requirement 4.3 of OPHOS at the April 16, 2015 Governance Committee meeting. The results will be presented to the Board of Health at a future meeting.

This report was prepared by Ms. Sarah Maaten, Epidemiologist, Environmental Health and Chronic Disease Prevention Services.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Mackie', is positioned above the printed name.

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