

# 2017 Board of Health Self-Assessment

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This survey is expected to take approximately 10-15 minutes. Please complete by March 16, 2017.

As part of the Board's commitment to good governance and continuous quality improvement, all Board members are invited to complete this self-assessment survey. High-level results of the survey will be reported to the Governance Committee of the Board in an anonymous form without any identifying information. They will be used to inform recommendations for improvements in Board effectiveness and engagement.

Your participation is voluntary and you may choose not to participate or not to respond to any question. The questionnaires will be kept confidential in our records for seven years to comply with our Middlesex-London Health Unit Retention Schedule.

You can complete the survey online or on paper. If you complete the paper version please return it in a sealed envelope to Elizabeth Milne, Executive Assistant to the Board of Health and Communications.

If you have any questions please contact Elizabeth Milne, 519-663-5317, Ext. 3011, [elizabeth.milne@mlhu.on.ca](mailto:elizabeth.milne@mlhu.on.ca).

Please check Yes, No or Don't know for each question.

**Provide additional feedback or comments to elaborate on what the Middlesex-London Health Unit Board of Health does well, does not do well, or could improve, where relevant.**

**This information is key to identifying areas for improvement.**

**1. Is the Board of Health structured properly (i.e membership, size, terms of office, reporting relationships)?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**2. Am I getting sufficient information to make informed decisions at Board of Health meetings?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**3. Am I learning enough, both at Board of Health meetings and elsewhere, about current best practices in public health and governance in order to be an effective Board member?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**4. Does the Board of Health take all relevant information into consideration when making decisions?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**5. Is MLHU accomplishing our strategic priorities as outlined in our strategic plan?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**6. In the past year, has the Board of Health adequately responded to serious complaints of wrongdoing or irregularities?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**7. Does the current relationship between the Board of Health and senior staff result in effective and efficient management of the public health unit?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**8. Are you satisfied with the reports to the Board of Health made by MLHU staff? For instance, do you think the reports are relevant and provide the correct information?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**9. Are you satisfied with the presentations made to the Board of Health by MLHU staff? For instance, do you think the time taken for presentations and question and answer sessions is appropriate?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Please provide additional feedback or comments below:**

**9. Please rank the most important things that the Board should focus on to improve performance (1 – most important, 7 – least important):**

	Board Structure (i.e membership, size, terms of office, reporting relationships)
	Getting sufficient information to make informed decisions

	Learning opportunities for current best practices in public health and governance
	Ensuring all relevant information is taken into consideration when making decisions
	Accomplishing our strategic priorities
	Responding to complaints of wrongdoing or irregularities
	The relationship between the Board of Health and senior staff

**10. What is the most important thing that you could recommend for discussion or action in order to improve the Board's performance?**

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.**