



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 FOR DECEMBER**

***Recommendation***

***It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 60-20 re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for December” for information.***

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The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) for the period November 15, 2020 to November 27, 2020.

To respond to the COVID pandemic, increased meetings and webinars were necessary to keep up with the ever-changing landscape. The MOH continued to participate in external and internal pandemic related meetings. These included calls daily, every other day, or weekly with Middlesex County, the City of London, local health partners, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA), the Ministry of Health, Ontario Health West, the Southwest LHIN, the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, and Public Health Ontario. The MOH and London Mayor Ed Holder continue to provide regular COVID-19 virtual media briefings.

The MOH and the Associate Medical Officer of Health (AMOH) continued to host a weekly MLHU Staff Town Hall present on many topics, including COVID-19.

The following events were also attended by the MOH.

- November 16 Interview with Darryl Newcombe in regard to COVID-19
- November 18 Monthly meeting with Board Chair to discuss the November 26<sup>th</sup> Board meeting agenda  
Interview with Jane Sims, London Free Press in regard to long haul trucking and risk for contracting COVID  
Interview with Jennifer Bieman, London Free Press in regard to increase COVID-19 case counts
- November 19 Meeting with government staff in the state of North Carolina, USA in regard to guidance on Thanksgiving COVID Prevention  
Interview with Emily Taylor - Western Gazette in regard to the Western University Residence Outbreak  
Interview with Travis Dolynny, CBC Live Afternoon Drive in regard to several COVID updates  
Interview with Dan Brown, London Free Press in regard to the Western University Residence Outbreak  
Attended the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Pillar Community Innovation Awards Event (Virtual)
- November 20 Interview with Bill Kelly, Global News Radio AM900 CHML in regard to anti-mask rallies  
Interview with Matt Trevithick, AM980 in regard to several COVID-19 issues

- November 23 News Conference to announce the Provincial Approval to move forward with a permanent Consumption Site (CTS) at 446 York St.  
Interview with Jess Brady, AM980 CFPL Global News Radio in regard to the CTS announcement
- November 24 Interview with Bill Kelly, Global News Radio – AM900 CHML in regard to the CTS announcement  
Call with Minister Lecce and local School Board Executives regarding COVID response in schools  
Interview with Nick Paparella, CTV News  
Interview with Marek Sutherland,
- November 25 Participated in the Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) Section meeting
- November 26 Participated in a meeting facilitated by the City of London - London Community Recovery Network – Ideas for Recovery  
Attended the Board of Health meeting
- November 27 Participated in a meeting of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (ALPHA) Board Executive  
Participated in the virtual Staff Day event  
Introductory meeting with Meera Shah, 4<sup>th</sup> year medical student

This report was submitted by the Office of the Medical Officer of Health.



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