



TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health

FROM: Alexander Summers, Medical Officer of Health

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## ACTING MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH ACTIVITY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY

### **Recommendation**

*It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 17-22 re: “Acting Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for February” for information.*

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The following report presents activities of the Acting Medical Officer of Health (A-MOH) for the period of February 4 to March 3, 2022.

The A-MOH participates in external and internal pandemic-related meetings with municipal and provincial stakeholders, along with liaising with community partners during the pandemic. The A-MOH and Mayor Ed Holder hold bi-weekly COVID-19 virtual media briefings (Monday and Thursday), with the Warden of Middlesex County and a representative from London Health Sciences Centre attending once each week.

The Acting Medical Officer of Health, along with other team members, continues to host a weekly Middlesex-London Health Unit (MLHU) Staff Town Hall (Friday) and presents on many topics, including COVID-19. The A-MOH also hosts weekly (Tuesday) healthcare provider outreach and community stakeholder webinars with information regarding COVID-19.

The Acting Medical Officer of Health also attended the following meetings:

**Client and Community Impact** – *These meeting(s) reflect the A-MOH’s representation of the Health Unit in the community and media:*

- February 4** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Operations and Planning call
- February 7** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Operations and Planning call  
Worked at evening Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) clinic at CitiPlaza
- February 8** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health Coordination call  
Attended City of London IMS/Policy Group meeting  
Biweekly meeting with Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), Long Term Care and hospice leadership
- February 9** Attended weekly London Middlesex Primary Care Association (LMPCA) meeting  
Attended Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) Weekly Forum
- February 10** Attended City of London IMS/Policy Group meeting  
Participated in West Region IMS meeting
- February 11** Interview with Jen Bieman (London Free Press) on MLHU’s staff vaccination policy

- February 14** Participated in Middlesex County IMS meeting  
Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Operations and Planning call  
Participated in Southwest Medical Officer of Health monthly meeting (hosted by Lambton Public Health)
- February 15** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health Coordination call  
Meeting with Western University leaders on reopening plans
- February 16** Attended Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) Weekly Forum
- February 17** Attended City of London IMS/Policy Group meeting  
Participated in West Region IMS meeting  
Hosted a Instagram Live session on pediatric vaccination with LHSC Dr. Michelle Barton-Forbes
- February 18** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Operations and Planning call  
Interview with Jen Bieman (London Free Press) on Paxlovid
- February 21** Visited vaccination clinics for Superhero Day on Family Day
- February 23** Meeting with Fanshawe College leaders on reopening plans  
Attended weekly London Middlesex Primary Care Association (LMPCA) meeting  
Interview with Brent Lale (CTV London) and Mike Stubbs (Global News Radio) on March 1 provincial public health measures being relaxed
- February 24** Attended City of London IMS/Policy Group meeting
- March 1** Participated in Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health Coordination call  
Attended City of London IMS/Policy Group meeting  
Biweekly meeting with Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), Long Term Care and hospice leadership
- March 3** Attended Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) Weekly Forum

**Employee Engagement and Learning** – *These meeting(s) reflect on how the A-MOH influences the Health Unit’s organizational capacity, climate and culture and the contributions made to enable engaged and empowered staff; thoughtful and responsive leadership and organizational structures that support decision-making, innovation and learning:*

- February 16** Led biweekly Office of the Medical Officer of Health (OMOH) management meeting
- February 22** Attended Black History Today – Shifting Perspectives seminar
- February 24** Attended iHEAL program webinar
- February 25** Attended Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alpha)’s Winter Symposium and COMOH section meeting
- March 2** Attended Healthy Living division meeting

**Governance** – *This meeting(s) reflect on how the A-MOH influences the alignment of management methods and systems to ensure appropriate structures and resources are in place to achieve the HU's mission and vision. This also reflects on the A-MOH's responsibility for actions, decision and policies that impact the HUs ability to achieve the requirements as set out under the strategic plan, the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards (OPHOS), other funder requirements and direction provided by the Board of Health:*

- February 17**    Attended Governance Committee Meeting  
                    Attended Board of Health meeting
- February 24**    Participated in Western Ontario Health's Coordinating Council
- March 3**        Attended the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting

This report was prepared by the Medical Officer of Health.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alexander T. Summers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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