MIDDLESEX-LONDON HEALTH UNIT



REPORT NO. 134-13

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 – DECEMBER

Recommendation

It is recommended that Report No. 134-13 re Medical Officer of Health Activity Report – December be received for information.

The following report highlights activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) from the November Medical Officer of Health Activity Report to December 2, 2013.

The MOH, Senior Leadership Team and Ross Graham, Manager, Strategic Priorities met to further develop proposals for the program budgeting and marginal analysis (PBMA) process. The finalized list of proposals was presented to the Finance and Facilities Committee for review on November 28.

On November 4, the Medical Officer of Health welcomed fourth year medical student, Mr. Oren Krajden, to the Health Unit for a two week rotation. Oren attended many events including: Well Baby Clinic, Immunization Clinic, School Oral Health Clinic, Travel Immunization Clinic, STI Clinic and a meeting of the Community Emergency Response Volunteers.

The MOH attended two meetings of the Finance and Facilities Committee on November 7 and November 28.

On November 4, the MOH and Patricia Simone, Manager, Emergency Preparedness participated in the City of London Annual Emergency Management Training and Exercise at the Emergency Operations Centre on Boler Road.

The MOH and staff of the Health Unit participated in raising awareness of woman abuse by wearing purple during the month of November and decorating office areas in multiple shades of purple. Funds raised were donated to the Shine the Light Campaign which is organized by the London and Area Woman's Abuse Centre.

On the evening of Saturday November 16, the MOH and Mr. John Millson, Director, Finance and Operations, attended the Middlesex County Warden's Banquet in Mount Brydges.

The MOH attended the Annual Pillar Awards at the Convention Centre on November 19. The Health Communities Partnership Middlesex London was nominated to receive a Pillar Community Innovation Award for collaboration. Several Health Unit staff members are involved in this partnership with several other agencies. The partnership focuses on highlighting the many opportunities for promoting healthy, active living. Congratulations on this nomination.

The MOH attended a conference of the Urban Public Health Network in Winnipeg. This event was attended by Medical Officers of Health and other Senior Leaders from the larger cities across Canada. The purpose of the network is to address public health issues that are common to urban populations and to develop strategies to address these issues.

On November 28, the MOH was the keynote speaker at the Hacking Health event held at the Goodwill Centre on Horton St. This event focused on utilizing technology and innovation to improve patient care.

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

- November 7 Meeting with engineers to discuss options for installing a generator at 50 King St. office
- November 25 Meeting with Ms. Amanda Terry regarding a leadership teaching session for Masters in Public Health program at Western University
- November 25 Participated in a teleconference *Finding a Shared Language: Addressing Mental Health and Mental Illness in Health Promotion and Public Health Settings* – hosted by Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)
- November 27 Participated in a teleconference with London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) staff in preparation for the LHSC Board of Directors Development Day on December 3rd
- November 27 Attended a meeting with MLHU staff in Strathroy
- November 28 Along with Ms. Pat Simone, Manager Emergency Preparedness, the MOH attended a meeting with Mr. Dave O'Brien and Ms. Lynn Livingstone from the City of London to discuss Emergency Reception Centres.
- November 29 Visited the London InterCommunity Health Centre to meet with Ms. Michelle Hurtubise, Executive Director and the staff

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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