## MIDDLESEX-LONDON HEALTH UNIT

**REPORT NO. 024-14** 

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 - MARCH

## Recommendation

It is recommended that Report No. 024-14 re Medical Officer of Health Activity Report – March be received for information.

The following report highlights activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) from the February Medical Officer of Health Activity Report to March 5, 2014.

The MOH and John Millson, Director, Finance and Operations made a presentation to Middlesex County Council Budget Committee on February 14.

On February 19, the MOH and Board of Health Chair, Marcel Meyer attended a Pillar workshop entitled The Power of Partnership – Executive Director & Board Relations. This event was led by Janet Frood of Horizon Leadership, and helped to provide tools and processes to support productive relationships between CEOs and Board members.

The MOH attended the 2014 alPHa Winter Symposium – Public Health Challenges and the Science of Persuasion in Toronto February 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>. The focus of this year's conference was communication, focusing on enhancing skills essential to maximizing the effectiveness of messages to targeted audiences.

On February 24<sup>th</sup> the MOH met with Board Member Al Edmondson and several Health Unit staff to discuss an initiative to explore obesity in school-aged children.

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

February 14	Introductory meeting with Dr. Michael Strong, Dean, Schulich School of Medicine &
	Dentistry. This meeting was also attended by Dr. Amardeep Thind, Acting Director for
	the Masters of Public Health program

- February 18 Interview with London Free Press reporter Jonathan Sher to discuss Public Health Nurse interaction with high school students
- February 24 Introductory meeting with staff from the London Area Network of Substance Users (LANSU) Interview with London Free Press reporter Jonathan Sher to discuss Vaccinations
- February 25 Introductory meeting with Martha Powell, President & Chief Executive Officer London Community Foundation

February 26 Attended a meeting of the Homeless Prevention System Implementation Team

Attended a Family Health Services Managers meeting
Attended a committee meeting of the Foundational Standard Community of Practice
Attended meeting at City Hall regarding City of London Final Budget Approval

Introductory meeting with Dr. Beth Henning, former Medical Officer of Health in Oxford
County

March 3 Presented to a class of students enrolled in the Masters of Public Health at The Schulich
School of Medicine Western University. The MOH's portion of the class presentation
was in regards to budgets
Introductory meeting with Brian Lester, Executive Director Regional HIV/AIDS
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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