



TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health

FROM: Christopher Mackie, Medical Officer of Health / CEO

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH ACTIVITY REPORT FOR APRIL

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 023-18 re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for April” for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health for the period of March 2, 2018, to April 6, 2018.

- March 2 Attended the Community Health Collaborative Steering Committee meeting
Met with Jeff Yurek, MPP, to discuss the Supervised Consumption Facilities (SCF)
Attended a meeting with staff from the Chippewas of the Thames First Nation to understand their public consultation process
Participated in the staff curling event at the London Curling Club
- March 5 Met with Ibrahim Marwa regarding public health careers
Participated in teleconference with Dr. Penny Sutcliffe
- March 6 Participated in the monthly COMOHE Executive teleconference
Attended the Mindfulness Ambassador Council Facilitator Training at Western University
Attended and presented at Middlesex County Council in regard to MLHU services in the County as well as the Location Project
- March 7 Met with Board of Health in regard to the Location Project
- March 8 Participated in documentary interview with Western students regarding the effects of intravenous drug use on the prevalence of bacterial infections here in London
Met via phone with Raechelle Devereaux, Guelph CHC, to discuss the SCF application process
- March 9 Attended the International Women’s Day Breakfast
Interviewed by Chris Soares, MyFM Strathroy, in regard to the Location Project
Met with city councillors from Cambridge and Dr. Hsiu-Li Wang regarding London’s Temporary Overdose Prevention Sites (TOPS)
- March 12 Met with Kelly Scherr, Managing Director of Environmental and Engineering Services, City of London, to discuss fluoride
Met with legal counsel in regard to the Location Project
Met with staff from The Achievement Centre in regard to an applicant for the vacant Director position in Healthy Living
Participated in a teleconference regarding next steps on the Digital Yellow Card

- March 13 Met with staff from the Regional HIV/AIDS Connection (RHAC) regarding Community Consultations
Attended and presented at a meeting of all non-union Health Unit staff
- March 14 Met with Lesley James, Senior Manager, Health Policy, at the Heart and Stroke Foundation via phone in regard to sugary sweetened beverages
Met with Health Unit staff for a flood debrief
As Incident Command, met with members of the IMS Team in regard to the Opioid Crisis
Co-presented at a Community Advisory Committee meeting in regard to Safe Consumption Facilities
- March 15 Attended the March Board of Health meeting
- March 19 Met with Lynne Livingstone, Jan Richardson, and Scott Stafford to discuss needle recovery initiatives
Met with Shaya Dhinsa, Manager, The Clinic and Sexual Health; Brian Lester, Executive Director, RHAC, and Geoff Bardwell, University of British Columbia in regard to a TOPHC presentation on Responding to a Crisis: Case Studies of Drug Strategies
Participated in a teleconference with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in regard to London's Supervised Injection Site (SIS) application
- March 20 Attended the Mindfulness Ambassador Council Facilitator Training at Western University
Interviewed by Mike Hensen, *London Free Press*, regarding SCF
Interviewed by CTV staff in regard to SCF
Interviewed by Randy Richmond, *London Free Press*, regarding SCF
- March 21–23 Attended and presented at The Ontario Public Health Conference (TOPHC)
- March 27 Participated in teleconference with Sarah Martin, Consultant, WHO European Office for Investment for Health and Development, Venice, Italy, to discuss their "Health Systems Footprint Initiative"
Met with the Opioid Crisis Working Group
- March 28 Provided opening remarks at the Middlesex-London Cannabis Municipal Knowledge Exchange
Met with City staff, local partners, and business landlords for a collaborative discussion on SCF
- March 29 Met with Beth Mitchell, Canadian Mental Health Association, to discuss the work of the Community Health Collaborative
Met with Ana Ning, Associate Professor of Sociology and Criminology, Western University, and James Shelley, Coordinator, Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion, Western University, to discuss drug policy
- April 3 Initial meeting with Arushi Raina to discuss public health
- April 4 Met with Adam Carapella to discuss SCF
Participated in a teleconference in regard to opioid overdoses on First Nations reserves
- April 5 Attended Finance & Facilities Committee meeting

Met with a person with lived experience to discuss SCF
Met with Councillor Tanya Park to discuss SCF

April 6 Participated in a tour of 186 King Street SCF
Met with Josh Browne, London and Middlesex Housing Corporation, to discuss a potential SCF

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



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