

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 JUNE

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 040-18 re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for June” for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health for the period of May 7, 2018, to June 6, 2018.

- May 9 Participated in teleconference with COMOH Executive
Participated in teleconference with COMOH Working Group – PH System Sustainability
Chaired a meeting of the IMS Opioid Crisis Group
Interviewed by Miranda Chant, Blackburn Radio, in regard to Supervised Consumption Facilities (SCF) and next steps
Interviewed by Megan Stacey, *London Free Press* (LFP), in regard to City Council support for SCF
- May 10 Attended a Nursing Practice Council-sponsored educational event: MLHU Partnerships and Collaborations
Attended the Pre-Election Information Forum sponsored by Addiction Services of Thames Valley (ADSTV)
- May 11 Presented on the opioid crisis at McMaster University
- May 14 Met with two members of the public opposed to opening an SCF at 446 York Street
Attended a meeting of the City of London Planning and Environment Committee regarding SCF zoning
- May 15 Attended meeting of the London Directors’ Club to present on the opioid crisis and SCFs
Met with Dr. Petrella and Dr. Thornton at Western University in regard to their Canadian Academy of Sport and Exercise Medicine (CASEM) abstract “Family Medicine Study on Physical Activity Teaching in Residency”
Spoke as a member of the #MeToo Male Allyship Panel at the London Club
- May 16 Participated in Mid-Sized Cities event at Museum London
- May 17 Attended tour of the Temporary Overdose Prevention Site (TOPS) with Ms. Theresa Leveschuk, Executive Director, Thames Valley District School Board
Attended the May Board of Health meeting
- May 22 Attended meeting of the Senior Leadership Team for the City of London to discuss mobile SCFs
Attended meeting at City Hall to discuss safe drinking water
Met with Brian Lester, Executive Director, Regional HIV/AIDS Connection (RHAC) to discuss SCFs
- May 23 Participated in staff training on “Leading a Mentally Healthy Workplace”
Teleconference with Elizabeth Cormier, Legal for SoHo group

- May 24 Attended YOU board meeting
 Phone call with Dr. Martyn Judson to discuss opioid crisis
 Met with MLHU staff regarding tracking opioid overdoses
 Participated in tour of the Greenway Pollution Plant
 Attended retirement celebration for Kathy Dowsett, Manager, Health Start Division
- May 25 Phone call with Karen Vecchio, MP, Elgin-Middlesex-London to discuss concerns about supervised consumption sites
 Interviewed by various media regarding MLHU Location Project, including Jaclyn Carbone, AM980 News; Gerry Dewan, CTV; *London Free Press*; and CBC
- May 28 Met with City Councillor Michael van Holst in regard to SCFs
 Attended and presented at meeting of the Homeless Prevention Implementation Team
 Met with legal counsel at McKenzie Lake Lawyers to discuss draft lease
- May 30 Attended the CEO/CAO Breakfast Meeting at Goodwill Industries
 Participated in teleconference with Health Canada in regard to SCFs
 Met with staff from RHAC, Addiction Services, Canadian Mental Health Association, and MLHU to discuss next steps for the Community Drug and Alcohol Strategy
 Attended second Community Liaison Meeting for 186 King Street TOPS
- May 31 With several MLHU staff, attended annual Father's Day Breakfast at Western Fair District
 Met with legal counsel in regard to the Location Project
 Met with Ms. Shireen Mamika, downtown property owner, in regard to supervised consumption facilities
 Met with Ms. Moon Kolar in regard to the opioid crisis
- June 1 Attended meeting of the CMO Drug Action Group
 Participated in pre-interview planning meeting with Chantal Lavigne, *Enquête*, Radio-Canada (CBC French service)
- June 4 Attended and presented at the All Staff Town Hall meeting
 Attended the Lucan Biddulph municipal meeting
- June 5 Interviewed by Chris dela Torre, CBC Radio, and Mike Stubbs, AM980, regarding the Health Unit's media release on the increased presence of fentanyl in the region
 Presented to the Hamilton Road Area Business Association on the opioid crisis
- June 6 Met with Dr. Brian Schwartz, Interim Vice-President, Science and Health Protection, Public Health Ontario, and the Environmental Health and Infection Diseases (EHID) Management Team, to discuss health protection issues
 Interviewed by Chantal Lavigne, *Enquête*, Radio-Canada, regarding the opioid crisis, TOPS, SCFs (to be aired in October)

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



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