



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 FEBRUARY

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 018-19 re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for February” for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) for the period of January 14, 2019, to February 8, 2019.

- January 15 Participated in Health Canada teleconference on cannabis products and proposed regulations
- January 16 Participated in interview for a research study at McMaster University on the use of research evidence and/or public values in public health policy implementation
Met with new Board of Health member John Brennan
Phone meeting with Huda Idrees, CEO, DOT Health
- January 17 Phone meeting with Dr. Gary Tithcott, London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) in regard to recruitment
Met with Chief Roberts and staff at the London Middlesex EMS location
Met with new Board of Health member Matt Reid
Participated in Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) teleconference
- January 18 Phone meeting with Ian Peer and Trish Fulton to discuss their participation in the Board of Health orientation event
Met with new Board of Health member Kelly Elliott
Interviewed by Jenn Bieman, *London Free Press*, on the recent health-care reform announcement by Premier Doug Ford
Met with Health Unit staff and architect Endri Poletti to review and discuss draft floor plans for Citi Plaza
- January 21-22 Attended two-day off-site meeting with the MLHU Senior Leadership Team
- January 23 Participated in teleconference with MOHLTC staff in regard to Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS)
Phone meeting with Association of Local Public Health Association (alPHa) board of directors to discuss the alPHa pre-budget submission
Attended the 2019 Budget Consultation hosted by the Ministry of Finance
- January 24 Attended London Chamber of Commerce 2019 Mayor’s State of the City Address
Participated in Southwestern Public Health teleconference for Medical Officers of Health and Associate Medical Officers of Health
Attended Board of Health orientation session and Board of Health meeting

- January 25 Attended a preliminary planning consultation for a value-for-money audit by the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario in regard to Ontario's harm reduction and addiction programs
- January 29 Participated in MOHLTC teleconference on tobacco policy changes
- January 30 Initial meeting with Renato Discenza, CEO, South West Local Health Integration Network (SW LHIN)
Interviewed by Darryl Newcombe, CTV, in regard to the Cold Weather Alert
Met with Josh VanBiesbrook, City of London resident
- January 31 Attended the Youth Opportunities Unlimited board meeting
- February 1 Participated in COMOHE executive teleconference
Met with Dr. Chandlee Dickey, London Health Sciences Centre, to discuss drug treatment and harm reduction strategies
- February 4 Phone meeting with Dr. Brian Schwartz, Vice-President, Public Health Science, Public Health Ontario (PHO), for their monthly one-on-one call
Met with Scott Courtice, Executive Director, London InterCommunity Health Centre (LIHC)
- February 5 Attended Relocation Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting
Attended City of London Civic Works Committee meeting to present on water fluoridation
- February 4-5 Invited to participate on behalf of the Urban Public Health Network in various advocacy activities with federal MPs and media in Ottawa regarding the importance of addressing climate change in order to protect human health. Unable to attend due to RAC meeting; Associate Medical Officer of Health Dr. Alex Summers attended in place of the MOH.
- February 7 Attended Youth Opportunities Unlimited annual breakfast
Attended Finance & Facilities Committee meeting
Met with Jared Zaifman, former city councillor
Participated in teleconference in regard to presenting at the February 21 alpha Symposium
- February 8 Met with Glen Pearson, former MP, London North Centre, to discuss potential collaborative initiatives
Participated in interview with Pillar Nonprofit Network in regard to the 2018 Pillar Community Innovation Awards

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



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