

MIDDLESEX-LONDON HEALTH UNIT

REPORT NO. 029-20

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 / CEO ACTIVITY REPORT FOR JUNE

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 029-20 re: "Medical Officer of Health/CEO Activity Report for June" for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH)/CEO for the period May 9, 2020 to June 5, 2020.

The MOH/CEO continues to participate in many external meetings each week on COVID-19. These include calls daily, every other day, or weekly with Middlesex County, the City of London, local health partners, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa), the Ministry of Health, Ontario Health West, the Southwest LHIN, the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, and Public Health Ontario, to name a few. The MOH/CEO and London Mayor Ed Holder continue to provide daily media briefings on the COVID-19 pandemic. The MOH and the Associate Medical Officer of Health (AMOH) host a weekly all staff Town Hall to present on many topics, including COVID-19.

The following events were also attended by the MOH/CEO.

May 9	Interview with Ms. Megan Stacey, London Free Press in regard to no new reported cases Interview with Ms. Kelly Wang, AM980 News in regard to no new cases to report
May 15	Meeting with Mr. Andrew Lockie, CEO at YMCA of Southwestern Ontario to discuss the eventual opening of YMCAs
May 20	Interview with Canadian Press, Mr. Shawn Jeffords in regard to COVID-19 testing
May 21	Attended the Middlesex-London Board of Health meeting
May 22	Interview with Mr. Devon Peacock on the AM980 Morning Show on how Londoners can best enjoy the summer with distancing and relaxed restrictions Interview with CBC Radio One, The House with Ms. Kristin Nelson in regard to the Province's re-opening plans and thoughts about the Prime Minister's announcement that 3,600 federal employees will be made available to the provinces for contact tracing Interview with Ms. Heather Wright, CTV National News in regard to COVID-19 case counts and how the numbers don't seem to be going down
May 25	Phone call with Ms. Maureen Cassidy, Board of Health Chair in regard to office furniture

May 27	Phone call with Mr. Todd Stepanuik, President and CEO Middlesex Hospital Alliance in regard to testing and swabbing Interview with Ms. Marcy Cuttler, CBC in regard to re-opening Ontario Interview with Mr. Chris dela Torre, CBC London in regard to the regional approach to re-opening Ontario
May 28	Attended the meeting of Coordinating Council of the Western Ontario Health Team
May 29	Interview with Mr. Vassey Kapelos, CBC News-Power and Politics in regard to Premier Ford's regional re-opening strategy
June 1	Phone meeting with YMCA staff in regard to emergency child care Phone call with MP Karen Vecchio in regard to the Ontario Plants facility and positive COVID-19 cases
June 4	Attended the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting Attended a presentation by Randy Richmond, Canadian Journalist of the Year, on investigative journalism
June 5	Interview with Ms. Rebecca Zandbergen, CBC London Morning Show in regard to the Black Lives Matter protest Attended a meeting of the alPHa Board

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

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