



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 FOR JUNE

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 30-21 re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for June” for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) for the period of May 7 – June 3, 2021.

To respond to the COVID pandemic, increased meetings and webinars were necessary to keep up with the ever-changing landscape. The MOH continued to participate in external and internal pandemic-related meetings. These included 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. The MOH and Mayor Ed Holder hold bi-weekly COVID-19 virtual media briefings (Monday and Thursday), with the Warden of Middlesex County and a representative from London Health Sciences Centre attending once each week.

The MOH and the Associate Medical Officer of Health (AMOH), along with other team members, continue to host a weekly MLHU Staff Town Hall and present on many topics, including COVID-19.

The following events were also attended by the MOH:

- May 10** Attended MPP Teresa Armstrong’s Virtual Town Hall to discuss COVID-19 matters
- May 11** Appeared on EVO TV’s “Real Talk, Straight Talk” to discuss COVID-19 within the Black community
- May 12** Interview with Jordyn Read (CTV London) on the pause of the administration of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine
- May 13** Appeared on 1290 CJBK’s “Ask me Anything” to discuss COVID-19 matters
Participated in Science Table Working Session, with the Ontario COVID-19 Science Advisory Table
- May 14** Attended COMOH Executive meeting
- May 17** Participated in the SW MOH/AMOH Meeting
Attended Youth Vaccine Strategy meeting with health units and school boards, hosted by Deputy Minister of Pandemic Response (Alison Blair)
- May 18** Met with Deputy Minister of Pandemic Response (Alison Blair), to advocate for more vaccine allocations in Middlesex-London

- Appeared on the live show “Power and Politics” (CBC) as a panelist with Mayor of Brampton, Patrick Brown on individual regions and how they are handling vaccine/COVID-19
- May 19** Interview with Daryl Newcombe (CTV London) regarding vaccine supply
Participated in London-Middlesex Immigration Partnership Town Hall with Dr. Summers and Mr. Steve Turner to provide the community with vaccine information
- May 20** Attended May 20th Board of Health meeting
- May 21** Attended the opening day of the Earl Nichols Vaccination Clinic
Interview with Mike Stubbs (AM 980) on the opening day of the new clinic
Participated in a stakeholder meeting with partners from the violence against women sector (VAW)
- May 27** Participated in Science Table Working Session, with the Ontario COVID-19 Science Advisory Table
- June 1** Participated in Town Hall (with SWPH’s Dr. Lock and Dr. Summers) for parents/guardians within the Thames Valley District School Board and Conseil Scolaire Viamonde school communities on vaccination of youth
- June 2** Participated in video series “Gathering on Green” (Old South community) to discuss impacts to the pandemic within the Old South area
Interview with Jane Sims (London Free Press) on youth vaccination
Participated in Town Hall (with SWPH’s Dr. Lock and Dr. Summers) for parents/guardians within the London District Catholic School Board and Conseil Scolaire Catholique Providence school communities on vaccination of youth
- June 3** Attended June 3rd Finance and Facilities Committee meeting

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



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