



TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Health

FROM: Alexander Summers, Medical Officer of Health

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MAY

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 47-22, 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 June 3 – June 30, 2022. As of June 30, the formal Minister of Health’s appointment of Dr. Alexander Summers as Medical Officer of Health is pending.

The Medical Officer of Health provides oversight of all public health programs at the Middlesex-London Health Unit, and co-chairs the Senior Leadership Team. The Medical Officer of Health participates in external and internal pandemic-related meetings, along with liaising with community partners, and municipal and provincial stakeholders.

The Medical Officer of Health, along with other team members, continues to host a weekly Middlesex-London Health Unit (MLHU) Staff Town Hall (Friday) and presents on many topics, including COVID-19.

The Medical Officer of Health also participated in the following:

Client and Community Impact – *These meeting(s) reflect the MOH’s representation of the Health Unit in the community and media:*

- June 3** Participated in Ministry of Health (MoH) teleconference on Monkeypox in Ontario.
- June 6** Worked evening Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Clinic at CitiPlaza.
- June 7** Attended Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health Coordination call.
- June 8** Participated in media event on the London Care Curb Hunger Food Drive.
- June 9** Met with Ministry of Health on local public health planning initiatives.
Interview with Jennifer Bieman (London Free Press) and Scott Taylor (The Dorchester Signpost) on COVID-19 and influenza.
Met with representatives from MNP Consultants (Ministry of Health) on IPAC Hubs.
- June 10** Interview with Gary Ennett (CBC London) on the lifting of mask mandates in Ontario.
- June 13** Hosted Community Stakeholder and Healthcare Provider webinars, with the Healthcare Provider Outreach team.
Participated on a panel at the Governor General’s Leadership Conference at CitiPlaza.

- June 15** Attended Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) Annual Conference and Annual General meeting.
Attended Council of Medical Officers of Health (COMOH) meeting.
- June 15** Attended Canadian Public Health Association Conference (Day 1).
- June 16** Attended Canadian Public Health Association Conference (Day 2).
Met with representatives from MNP Consultants (Ministry of Health) on IPAC Hubs.
- June 20** Participated in workshop for London Health Sciences' Strategic Plan.
Attended Southwest Medical Officer of Health meeting, hosted by Huron-Perth Public Health.
Worked evening Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Clinic at CitiPlaza.
- June 22** Met with leadership at Western University to discuss fall planning.
- June 23** Participated in the Warden's Annual Charity Golf Tournament.
- June 24** Interview with Jennifer Bieman (London Free Press) on monkeypox.
- June 25** Interview with Kelly Wang (980 CFPL) on monkeypox.
- June 27** Participated in workshop for the City of London's Strategic Plan.
Interview on Rogers TV's "Food Bites" on collaboration between MLHU and the London Food Bank.
- June 28** Interview with Ken Eastwood and Loreena Dickson (1290 CJBK) on monkeypox
Hosted Healthcare Provider webinar with the Healthcare Provider Outreach team.
Met with representatives from the Office of the Solicitor General on opioid use locally.
Attended Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health Coordination call.
- June 29** Met with Barbara Daly, Executive Director of Downtown London.
Attended Urban Public Health Network (UPHN) Annual General Meeting (Day 1).
Presented information on the MLHU to residents of Ward 5 at the Masonville Public Library.
- June 30** Attended Urban Public Health Network (UPHN) Annual General Meeting (Day 2).

Employee Engagement and Learning – *These meeting(s) reflect on how the MOH influences the Health Unit's organizational capacity, climate and culture and the contributions made to enable engaged and empowered staff; thoughtful and responsive leadership and organizational structures that support decision-making, innovation and learning:*

- June 20** Attended Healthy Organization's division meeting.
Attended MLHU Leadership Team meeting.
- June 22** Facilitated Office of the Medical Officer of Health (OMOH) division's "Planning Day".
- June 24** Attended MLHU Staff Summer BBQ at Springbank Park.
- June 27** Began mentoring a medical student for their public health rotation.
- June 28** Attended Population Health Assessment and Surveillance (PHAS) Team meeting.

Governance – *This meeting(s) reflect on how the MOH influences the alignment of management methods and systems to ensure appropriate structures and resources are in place to achieve the HU’s mission and vision. This also reflects on the MOH’s responsibility for actions, decision and policies that impact the HUs ability to achieve the requirements as set out under the strategic plan, the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards (OPHOS), other funder requirements and direction provided by the Board of Health:*

- June 9** Attended Board of Health Agenda Review and Executive meeting with the Chief Executive Officer.
- June 15** Attended alPHa Board of Health meeting, as the newly appointed Southwest Region Representative (COMOH).
- June 16** Attended Governance Committee meeting.
Attended Board of Health meeting.
- June 23** Attended Western Ontario Health Team’s Coordinating Council

This report was prepared by the Medical Officer of Health.



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