



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 OCTOBER

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Health receive Report No. 65-22, re: “Medical Officer of Health Activity Report for October” for information.

The following report presents activities of the Medical Officer of Health (MOH) for the period of October 7 – October 27, 2022.

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 a wide range of external and internal 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:*

- October 11** Interview with Mike Stubbs (980 CFPL) on the bivalent COVID-19 vaccine.
- October 12** Interview with Kate Dubinski (CBC London), Amy Simon (Global News) and Jennifer Basa (CTV London) and elevated Haloacetic acids in Thames Centre water.
- October 13** Attended Urban Public Health Network Fall meeting in Toronto.
Interview with Scott Monich (980 CFPL) on the bivalent COVID-19 vaccine.
- October 14** Interview with Alison Devereaux (CBC News) on COVID-19 outlook for the fall.
- October 17** Attended monthly Southwestern Medical Officers of Health/Associate Medical Officers of Health meeting, hosted by Windsor-Essex Public Health Unit.
- October 18** Attended Ministry of Health COVID-19 Public Health coordination call.
- October 19** Attended London Middlesex Primary Care Association meeting on vaccination.
- October 24** Visited the Wright Dental Clinic to learn more about external oral health partnerships.

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:*

- October 7** Lectured at Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry’s Master of Public Health program on Developing Healthy Communities.
- October 11** Supervised medical student during their public health rotation at the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry.
Attended MLHU Leadership Team meeting.
Meeting with partners from the Ontario Nurses Association union.
- October 12** Attended OMOH Leadership meeting.
- October 14** Lectured at Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry’s Master of Public Health program on Developing Healthy Communities.
- October 21** Lectured at Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry’s Master of Public Health program on Developing Healthy Communities.
- October 24** Supervised of medical resident during their public health rotation at the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry.
Attended OMOH Leadership 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:*

- October 12** Attended Board of Health Agenda Review and Executive meeting.
- October 20** Attended Board of Health meeting.
- October 27** Attended Western Ontario Health Team’s Coordinating Council meeting

This report was prepared by the Medical Officer of Health.



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