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North East LHIN



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NE LHIN Board of Directors Meeting, Friday June 26

9:00 am

Friday, June 26, 2009, Hôpital Régional Sudbury Regional Hospital
Laurentian Boardroom, 3rd Floor
41 Lake Ramsay Lake Road

***(Please note this is the correct location, the location in the e-bulletin of
June 19 was incorrect)***

Toll-Free Teleconference Number: 1-866-299-8690

All are welcomed to attend.

Please RSVP Lise Boucher at lise.boucher@lhins.on.ca

Integrated Health Services Plan (IHSP) – Your Input is Needed

As we continue with the rollout of our IHSP refresh, we are seeking the input of individuals with a knowledge of the health care system and its challenges and opportunities for consideration in the IHSP refresh.

To access a detailed discussion document that proposes a number of themes and priorities for consideration please visit www.nelhin.on.ca/engage2009. The site will allow you to participate in an on-line forum and a questionnaire where you can submit your thoughts and comments.

We would appreciate hearing from health care committee members, stakeholders, board directors and health service providers.

The North East LHIN's commitment to engagement and partnership planning with health service providers and stakeholders will continue as we collaboratively define and act on the priorities identified in the new IHSP. It is critical that the final IHSP appropriately reflect the needs of our health care community.

Guest Article – Marielle Cousineau



Thank you to Marielle Cousineau, Executive Director, North Cochrane Addiction Services Inc. for submitting a “guest article” for posting to our website. Her article depicts the journey of a fictitious client to the Cochrane District Detox Centre. Please read and enjoy the insights she provides.

“I woke up this afternoon; I had no idea where I was. This young woman introduces herself as a Program Worker at the Cochrane District Detox Centre. I ask her, “What the hell am I doing here?”

[Read full article](#)

Note: The NE LHIN welcomes guest articles. Should you have an idea, please contact Cynthia Stables, cynthia.stables@lhins.on.ca.

New NE LHIN Staff Member

Erika Espinoza began work with the NE LHIN on June 1 in her role as Planning, Integration and Community Engagement Consultant. Erika's initial focus will be on the NE LHIN's diabetes strategy/registry development.

Erika most recently held the position of eHealth Coordinator with the Champlain LHIN where she was responsible for coordinating activities related to the development of the diabetes strategy in that region. Prior to her position at the Champlain LHIN, Erika worked as the Resident Program Coordinator/Research Coordinator at the CT Lamont Primary Health Care Research Centre/ Élisabeth Bruyère Research Institute in the Department of Family Medicine, University of Ottawa. Erika holds a Master of Arts in Applied Social Research from Laurentian University.

Recent Postings

- [CCIM Newsletter](#)
Spring 2009 issue of Connections - the quarterly newsletter on the latest activities of Community Care Information Management (CCIM).
- [“The Northeasterly” Newsletter – June 2009](#)
The latest Northeasterly Newsletter is now available. This newsletter pertains to the Ontario Common Assessment of Need (OCAN) – NE LHIN Pilot.
- [Surgical Optimization Study Report](#)
- [Contact us page now also displays contacts by planning area](#)
- [Governance News \(June 2, 2009\)](#)

Grand Opening of Le Centre de santé communautaire du Temiskaming (CSCT) and the Cochrane Timiskaming Branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA)

ON May 28, more than 100 members of the public and dignitaries attended the grand opening of the new CSCT and CMHA building located at 20 May Street South in New Liskeard.



The one-and-a-half story building houses offices for both the CSCT and CMHA. The state-of-the-art facility has the technology that allows for telehealth and teleconferencing options, meaning patients that use the services of either health care provider and allows for enhanced services closer to home. CSCT Executive Director Jocelyne Maxwell noted that every member of the community whether they be from the francophone, anglophone or the Native community will benefit from the services provided by the new health care facility.

Equal Partnership in Mental Health Launches OCAN Project

Mike O'Shea, NE LHIN Senior Consultant of Planning, Integration and Community Engagement (left), speaks with **Chantelle Battiston**, Ontario Common Assessment of Need (OCAN) Support Staff at People for Equal Partnership in Mental Health (PEP), and **David Smith**, Project Manager Ontario Common Assessment of Needs (OCAN)



MOHLTC during Peer Support Week, held June 01 to 05. On June 3rd, 2009 PEP launched their OCAN project – an assessment tool for needs. PEP is the first peer support group that joined OCAN pilot project. The OCAN project is being piloted across the NE LHIN region in a variety of LHIN funded community mental health programs. For more information on OCAN, visit www.nelhin.on.ca.