

North East LHIN



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Register Today!

Enabling Electronic Medical Records Conference and Vendor Showcase

OntarioMD and the North East LHIN are hosting a free information session and vendor showcase at the Radisson Hotel in Sudbury. If you are thinking about transitioning from paper to electronic medical records (EMR) in your clinical practice then this is an event for you!

Conference areas of focus include:

- The benefits of EMR adoption and the process
- Available EMR Funding
- EMR Vendor Showcase
- North East LHIN eHealth Strategy
- Privacy Act
- EMR user experiences: physician presentation

Vendor Showcase & Reception:

Friday, May 28th 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Information Sessions & Vendor Showcase:

Saturday, May 29th 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

[Register today!](#) For more information please contact Robyn Bangs, 840-2872 ext. 205.

June NE LHIN Board Meeting

Thursday, June 3rd

10:00 am

Blind River District Health Centre

Classroom B

525 Causley street

Details will soon be posted to www.nelhin.on.ca.

Teleconference Number: 1-866-299-8690.

Agenda package to be posted on our website by Thursday, May 27th.

North East LHIN and Local Health Care Leaders Tackle Region's Health Care Challenges

The CEOs and Board Chairs from the four large hospitals in Northeastern Ontario, the NE CCAC and the Northeast Mental Health Centre met on Friday, May 7th and Saturday, May 8th to discuss how to work collaboratively on common issues and challenges of delivering health care across the region. Member of this unique group, known as HUBS, agreed to work together on the following short-term actions:

1. Build and strengthen a regional home first strategy – focused on the growing senior population of Northeastern Ontario.
2. Build and Strengthen Community Capacity – Involves a commitment to further build individual communities' ability to meet the health care needs of their citizens as close to home as possible.
3. Strengthen Collaboration with Small Hospitals – A Rural Hospital Summit will be held in Sault Ste. Marie on September 15th and 16th under the theme of 'Integrating Innovative Ideas'. More details on the fall summit will follow.

Province Announces Application Call for New Family Health Teams AND New Nurse Practitioner- Led Clinics

Family Health Teams (FHTs)

On Thursday, May 6, the Ontario government announced a call for 30 new FHTs to increase access to family health care throughout the province. These additional FHTs will bring the province-wide total to 200.

As noted in the media release, "FHTs provide better access to care, closer to home with a team of physicians, nurse practitioners, social workers dietitians and other health care providers working together in teams. FHTs also help to reduce emergency department use for non-emergency care."

Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinics

On Monday, May 10, the Ontario government announced a call for 14 new nurse practitioner-led clinics to provide more access to health care services across the province.

As noted in the media release, "Nurse practitioner-led clinics offer a team-based approach to frontline health care – treating common illnesses and injuries, ordering lab tests, x-rays and other diagnostic tests. Nurse-practitioners work with doctors, nurses and other health care providers in a clinical setting."

The call for both applications closes June 25th, 2010 with the FHTs and new clinics being announced later this summer.

To learn more on the FHT call, visit:

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/fht/fht_mn.html

To learn more on the nurse practitioner-led clinic, visit

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/transformation/np_clinics/np_mn.html

Francophones invited to open forum in North Bay

The Ontario francophone economic development network, known as RDÉE Ontario, and Centre of leadership, Le Clé would like to extend an invitation to Francophones of North Bay and surrounding area to a forum to engage in open dialogue aimed at creating a common vision and finding ways to support the development of the community.

With approximately 20,000 people in North Bay who speak French, this forum is opened to everyone. Wednesday, May 19th

Clarion Resort, North Bay

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

For more information or to register contact Rachel Quesnel rquesnel@rdee-ont.a or by phone (705) 560-1121.

