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Joint LHIN/OHA HSAA Review Task Force Established

We are pleased to announce the establishment of a Joint LHIN/OHA Task Force to undertake a review of the 2008/10 HSAA content and process and provide recommendations. This evaluation had been previously agreed to by the Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) and the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA) as part of the development of the 08/10 template agreement, and while a number of hospitals and LHINs are still in negotiations, the timing is now right to begin the process.

The Task Force's review of content will document the current status of the 2008/10 HSAA's across the province (such as financials, clinical activity, addendums, re-openers and LHIN-specific performance indicators) and develop ideas to enable the balancing of budgets for 2009/10. The review of process will examine education/communications and negotiations to identify 'lessons learned' for development and negotiation of HSAA's for 2010/11.

The Task Force, which we will co-chair, will complete the review of content by early fall and the process component by late fall, with secretariat and analytical support provided by staff from the LHINs, the OHA, hospitals and the JPPC. In addition to us, members of the Task Force will include the following:

Pat Mandy, CEO, Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN
Bill MacLeod, CEO, Mississauga Halton LHIN
John Magill, Board Chair, Mississauga Halton LHIN
Arthur Walker, Vice-Chair, Central LHIN
Kathy Durst, Board Chair, Waterloo Wellington LHIN
Mark Rochon, CEO, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute and Board Chair, OHA
Pat Campbell, CEO, Grey Bruce Health Services
Hal Fjeldsted, CEO, Kirkland & District Hospital
Peter Finkle, COO, Southlake Regional Health Centre
Anthony Dale, VP, Policy and Public Affairs, OHA

The Task Force will be meeting in mid-August to confirm the approach and will be following up with LHINs and hospitals with requests for information in the weeks ahead. More information about the review and broader participation in the process will be communicated once the Task Force has met and developed a detailed workplan. In the interim, please feel free to contact either of us for further information.

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