

Governance News

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

NE LHIN Board of Directors Meeting, Friday, May 29, 2009 (North Bay)

The NE LHIN held its May Board of Directors meeting at its North Bay offices on Friday, May 29. Directors received updates and discussed several key health files of the North East LHIN as noted below.

This meeting was the final meeting for **Mathilde Gravelle Bazinet** who has aptly served as Chair of the Board since June 2005. Fellow Board members thanked Chair Bazinet for her leadership, hard work, and passion to realize the NE LHIN vision of **Health and Wellness for All** over the past four years. Board members and staff will miss Mathilde dearly. **Peter Vaudry**, current Vice-Chair of the NE LHIN Board will serve as interim Chair until a full-time Chairperson is appointed.

The following is a summary of major items discussed on May 29:

Alternate Level of Care – Presentation by the Sudbury ALC Community Steering Group.

Dr. Peter Zalen, member of the Dr. Zalan - Hôpital régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital (HRSRH) Physician Task Force and Co-Chair of the Steering Group, **Terry Tilleczek**, NE LHIN Senior Director of Planning, Integration and Community Engagement and Co-Chair of the Steering Group, and **David McNeil**, HRSRH Vice President of Clinical Programs and Chief Nursing Officer and member of the Steering Group, gave a presentation to the NE LHIN Board on progress to date with regards to the Group's 10 point action plan. The presentation focused on the bed capacity priority and options in light of the transition of HRSRH to a single site in January 2010. The Board received the presentation and passed a motion to move the bed capacity priority forward.

Learn more:

- o ALC Community Steering Group Presentation to NE LHIN Board, May 29, 2009
- o ALC Community Steering Group Report – Single Site Occupancy Options, May, 2009
- o NE LHIN Board of Directors Motion, May, 29, 2009

Surgery Optimization

The Board received the **Surgical Optimization Study Report**, the first phase of the Surgical Optimization project, following a presentation by Chris Helyar, Associate Director of Hay Group Health Care Consulting. The Hay Group has been operating under the direction of a NE LHIN led Steering Committee since early 2008.

The report included a series of recommendations. As part of the next steps, the NE LHIN will move forward with the second phase of the project which includes the prioritization of the recommendations, mapping of strategies and impact analysis.

The report has been posted to the NE LHIN website and can be found at www.nelhin.on.ca under priority projects.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NORTH EAST LHIN AND NORTH SIMCOE MUSKOKA LHIN – MUSKOKA ALGONQUIN HEALTHCARE

A motion was passed to approve the inter-LHIN MOU between the NE LHIN and the NSM LHIN in respect to the Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare in Burk's Falls. For further information, please contact: Terry Tilleczeck: terry.tilleczeck@lhins.on.ca.

NE LHIN and eHealth

A presentation was given by **Tamara Shewciw**, the NE LHIN's new Chief Information Officer and eHealth Lead. The presentation outlined the future state of health information systems in the NE LHIN region over the next five years. A full copy of the presentation can be viewed at www.nelhin.on.ca.

Two New Directors Approved

The Board approved the creation of two new positions within the NE LHIN: a Senior Director position with the responsibility, among others, to advise the NE LHIN on successful planning and implementation strategies to improve the health status of the Francophone population; and a Senior Director responsible for the First Nation, Métis, and Aboriginal portfolio.

A copy of the full board package can be downloaded from www.nelhin.on.ca. Minutes of Friday's meeting will be brought forward for Board approval at its next meeting, scheduled for June 29 in Sudbury.

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