

NSM LHIN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Medically Fragile Children Embraced in New Model of Care!

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CHILDREN'S COMPLEX CARE NAVIGATION PROGRAM

Presentation by Dr. Michelle Gordon Chief of Pediatrics OSMH, Dr. Vincent Ho, Chief of Pediatrics RVH, Linda Adams Program Director OSMH and Karen Fleming, Program Director, RVH.

Medically fragile children are those that may be medically and/or technology dependent, or require significant healthcare. "These children need up to 56 times the resources that non-medically fragile children require," noted Dr Michelle Gordon. Currently the program has served 42 children in Orillia and area and hopes to expand to include Barrie and area. Children, their families, care givers, family physicians and specialists benefit from the program by achieving better use of their time and collaboration on care planning. Through an online care discussion, children have access to clinicians from Toronto's Hospital for Sick Kids. Helping these children navigate the system can result in reduced stays in hospitals, reduced visits to the Emergency Department and better quality of life for the whole family.

Motion carried: It was resolved that the NSM LHIN Leadership Council supports:

- ***The principles of this model of care for the Children's Complex Care Navigation in North Simcoe Muskoka, and***
- ***Efforts to secure ongoing funding.***

RURAL ONTARIO MEDICAL PROGRAM (ROMP)

Michelle Hunter, Program Manager, ROMP provided an overview of ROMP's initiatives and impacts on decisions made by secondary and post-

secondary school youths who consider careers in health care. Placement of students and arranging internships in health care delivery or support environments has resulted in a retention rate of 85% for those that are offered these opportunities in our communities. "It will be important to advocate for the communities and additional support in order to offer learning in Ontario's smaller centres", stated Michelle.

NSM LHIN CEO Bernie Blais added that a Memorandum of Understanding between the LHIN and the Northern Ontario School of Medicine will be presented to the LHIN Board on June 28th.

CARE CONNECTIONS

Deloitte and KPMG Present Symposium themes and next steps

The Symposium evaluation results highlighted that of 279 attendees, 127 respondents completed the form – an extremely high rate of return which has provided valuable feedback on the two day event. Key comments indicated a willingness of stakeholders to be involved, an interest in continuing with the work that has been started, but greater lead-time for attending events of this significance. Follow-up working group sessions are being set now.

The Council endorsed that '**LHIN-wide**', referring to the entire NSM LHIN and '**Local**', referring to the five geographic areas of the NSM LHIN, would be terms used in future planning discussions.

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A group of five Council members will be working with the consultants to finalize the population projection numbers.

ICT/eHealth Project Lead Rod Burns and KPMG asked for the Council's support in encouraging participation in the upcoming ICT meetings, particularly in the Collingwood and Muskoka areas, where responses are currently low. eHealth themes coming from the Symposium were about enabling information to follow the patient, information sharing and connectivity, standardization of information gathering and reporting.

COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTRE FOR SENIORS

Presentation by Jim Green, CAO, The District Municipality of Muskoka

Below: Facility concept.



JAMES CHRYST Perspective
Muskoka Wellness Centre

The District Municipality of Muskoka's Wellness Centre is a concept that would be:

- A hub of integrated clinical and social services aimed at seniors and the community
- Physically linked to The Pines and Seniors Affordable Housing
- For the purpose of keeping people healthier, longer in their own homes
- Supported by volunteer and community networks

"This could be a Centre of Excellence in Seniors Care for North Simcoe Muskoka", noted Bernie Blais, NSM LHIN CEO.

ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT FOR NSM LHIN

Presentation by Tim Berry, NSM LHIN Senior Director, Finance & Risk Management

Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) involves developing flexible strategies aimed at preventing a negative event from occurring, minimizing any potential harm and providing reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of an organization's objectives. ***Risk*** refers to the uncertainty in achieving organization objectives or the uncertainty that surrounds future events and outcomes.

Tim demonstrated an electronic tool that will be used to track issues. The Risk Management program will be presented to the LHIN Board at their June meeting.

NEXT STEPS

There will not be a meeting of the LHIN

Leadership Council in July. The next meeting of the Council is set for Wednesday, August 11, 2010 at the NSM LHIN office beginning at 5pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the LHIN at

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