

FINAL- MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**NORTH EAST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK
North East LHIN Patient and Family Advisory Committee (PFAC)**

Thursday, November 26, 2020

Microsoft Teams

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Participants:

- Marie Murphy-Foran, Elliot Lake, Co-Chair
- Alan Elliott, Laird, Co-Chair
- Su Koppisch, Parry Sound
- Debbie Malo, Cochrane
- Jo-Anne McCool-Maki, Sudbury
- Rebecca Geauvreau, North Bay
- Ronald Gervais, Sturgeon Falls
- Vanessa Morris, Youth Advisor, Chelmsford
- Rina Clark, Sault Ste. Marie

Regrets:

- Alexandra Sirois, Sudbury
- Brenda Lediett, Blind River
- Jennifer Vachon, Timmins
- Robert Porter, Sagamok Anishnawbek
- Minnie Jeffries, Moose Factory
- Joe CheeChoo, Moose Factory
- Sylvie Fontaine, Hearst

Ontario Health North

- Cynthia Stables, Senior Director, Community Engagement, Communications and Patient Experience

NE LHIN

- Katerine Moyer, Executive Assistant

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
<p>Welcome and Roll Call</p>	<p>Alan welcomed members to the meeting and roll call was held.</p>		
<p>Review and Approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agenda - Minutes 	<p>Members reviewed and approved the agenda and previous meeting minutes.</p> <p><i>The agenda and the meeting minutes of February 27, 2020 was approved as circulated.</i></p>		
<p>Roundtable Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What initiatives are you involved in? - What insights can you share? 	<p>Roundtable discussion was held and members spoke about initiatives that they are involved in and shared their insights. Comments from members included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rina continues to be involved in advocating for more PSWs across the region and within long-term care homes. - Alan continues his volunteer work at the local food bank and helping the most vulnerable population in his community and area. Alan also joined the PFAC at the location hospital providing input regarding mental health and addictions services. - Debbie continues to provide input to the North East LHIN or stakeholders regarding initiatives that are sent via email. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rebecca submitted an application to participate on the Nipissing Wellness Ontario Health Team Patient and Family Advisory Committee. - Ronald continues to be involved in meals on wheels with his community and is also involved with the local golden age club helping to ensure isolated community members are feeling supported. - Jo-Anne continues to be actively involved in the family council at Extendicare York. - Su has been volunteering weekly for the Alzheimer’s society’s minds and motion program and continues to participate on the West Parry Sound Hospital’s PFAC. - Vanessa continues to pursue her academics and has been volunteering at the North East Cancer Centre in Sudbury. - Marie participated in consultations with the Nipissing Wellness Ontario Health Team and the Change Foundation and continues to be actively involved with the Ontario Health Leadership Council. Marie has also been participating on the Ontario Health North COVID-19 Regional Steering Committee as co-chair of the PFAC. 		
Update on the work of the Ontario Health Leadership Council	<p>Marie provided an update on the work of the Ontario Health Leadership Council noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All existing PFAC chairs are invited to participate. The first meeting was in March and meetings are held every two weeks. The main topic is currently about COVID-19 response. - Alan and Marie continue to participate and provide input from a Northern perspective. - The Council is looking at how to connect all the PFACs within Ontario Health and how they can align and work together. 	Look at a formal mechanism to share information from the Council with the NE PFAC for input.	Marie
Overview of OH North/LHIN COVID-19 Preparedness and Response	<p>An overview of OH North/LHIN COVID-19 preparedness and response work was provided, noting the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ontario Health North continues to be focused on COVID-19 planning and response. - The North is fortunate to have not seen as high numbers as its Southern counterparts, however, we must remain vigilant. - It was noted the Public Health Units declare positive cases and outbreaks. - A lot of work happening around increasing lab capacity and improving turnaround times, especially in rural/remote and First Nation communities. - Hospital capacity doing well in the North. - Conversations underway around rapid access testing however it is not currently implemented in the North. 	Provide another update on OH North COVID-19 response and health system transformation at the next meeting.	Cynthia
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Great meeting with good information sharing. - Good for PFAC members to be kept up to date on activities happening across the North. 	Members to send agenda topics to Cynthia for next	PFAC members

	- Lots of great resources on patient engagement in Ontario. There are many opportunities to bring various PFACs together and share best practices.	meeting. Invite Ontario Health engagement lead to provide an update on patient engagement at a future meeting.	Cynthia
Adjourn	A doodle poll will be sent to members to schedule the next meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.		