

Ontario Health Teams

Presentation to the Brockton Municipal Council

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The People's Health Care Act

- The People's Health Care Act received third reading and Royal Assent on April 18, 2019.
- The new act will result in significant changes to our current health care system, including:
 - The creation of **Ontario Health**, a consolidation of provincial health agencies;
 - The creation of **Ontario Health Teams**, which will bring together health providers like hospitals, long-term care homes, and primary care in one geography into a connected organization.
 - The creation of a single province-wide supply chain management model, and a permanent Patient and Family Advisory Council.



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The People's Health Care Act (Cont'd)

- A 12 member Board of Directors was appointed for the Ontario Health Agency on March 8, 2019.
- Order in Council (OIC) appointments for the Board members of other agencies including the LHINs, Cancer Care Ontario, etc. were revoked on March 8.



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Implementation of Ontario Health Teams

- Ontario Health Teams (OHTs) are being introduced to provide a new way of organizing and delivering services in local communities.
- Through this model, groups of health care providers will work together as a team to deliver a full and coordinated continuum of care for patients, even if they are not in the same organization or physical location.
- On April 3, 2019, the Ministry launched an open call for Self-Assessments for interested groups of providers and organizations to assess their readiness and begin working to meet key readiness criteria for implementation.
- Ministry Webinars have been held



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Planning Underway in Grey Bruce

Meeting of Health Service Providers in Grey Bruce

- Providers (hospitals, family health teams, long-term care homes, home care, community support agencies and others) from across Grey Bruce have met three times (April 4, 18 & 29).
- In addition, the South East Grey Community Health Centre (CHC) hosted an engagement session for primary care providers on May 9.
- **Planning Committee has been established**
 - It is a work group of the Grey Bruce Integrated Health Coalition, a network of health service providers which has existed for over 20 years.



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Planning Underway in Grey Bruce (Cont'd)

- **No Submission of a Readiness Assessment in May**
 - Although we are well positioned, there is agreement that there is more work to complete before Grey Bruce is ready to formally advance an OHT.
 - Grey Bruce has not submitted a readiness assessment on May 15th.
- **Letter sent to Deputy Minister on a Fall Submission**
 - Confirms our intent to submit a readiness assessment in Fall 2019
 - We can also watch closely as the 3-5 early adopter OHTs begin their work this summer.



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Next Steps

- Continue to engage providers, patients and physicians over the summer months to prepare for a readiness assessment in the fall.
- Identification of the population we intend to focus on in the first year of the OHT (e.g. frail seniors, alternate level of care patients, mental health and addictions).



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Questions?

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