



Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team Community Council Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is a Community Council?

The Community Council is an advisory group of patients, clients, residents, family, and caregivers who volunteer their time to share their perspectives and experiences with the Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team Collaboration Council to help enhance the quality of healthcare for Grey-Bruce residents.

What are the roles & responsibilities of an Advisor?

The Primary Role of an advisor is to be an active member of the Community Council. There are also nominated positions available on the Grey-Bruce OHT Collaboration Council and on various sub-committees. The responsibilities of an advisor may include talking about your experiences, participating in group discussion, reviewing or creating community education materials, and partnering with the community.

What are the benefits of being an Advisor?

You can help to shape what quality care looks like in Grey Bruce. You will learn a great deal about the healthcare system in Grey Bruce. You will build on your listening and speaking skills as you share your own experiences and perspectives.

Who does the Community Council provide advice to?

The Community Council will be advising the Grey Bruce OHT Collaboration Council

How much time will this role typically take up per month?

Approximately one hour per month for meetings. In addition, there could be materials to read or review before or after meetings.

Where are the meetings held?

The meetings will occur over webinars (via a computer) or by phone.

Is this a paid role?

No. This is a voluntary role. Reimbursement of expenses incurred as a result of participating as a volunteer advisor will include mileage, meals, accommodations, and caregiver support.

Are there any supports offered for Advisors?

Yes. There will be an orientation meeting and package, as well as educational opportunities such as participation in webinars and access to resource materials.

I already belong to another Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC) or Resident's Council, can I still apply for the Grey Bruce OHT Community Council?

Yes!

Are there any required qualifications to be an advisor?

There are no professional requirements to be an advisor. However, health care providers and Board members of healthcare organizations are unable to become advisors as they already have a forum to express health system concerns through their jobs, professional organizations, and Board activities.

How do I apply?

Complete the Community Council Expression of Interest (EOI):

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Community_Council

If I am selected what next?

You will be contacted for a follow-up interview.

If I am not selected what next?

We thank everyone who applies. In order to ensure that the Community Council represents the diversity of Grey-Bruce experiences you may not be selected for the Community Council Advisor role, however there may be other opportunities for you to contribute. We may reach out to you as these opportunities present.