

# Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team Planning Committee

January 11, 2022

1600-1730 hours

Location: Zoom

Item No.	Time	Agenda Item	Discussion	Actions
1	3min	<b>Call to order</b>	Chair called the meeting to order.	
2		<b>Land Acknowledgement</b>	Chair provided land acknowledgement.	
3	1min	<b>Approval of Agenda</b>		That the agenda be approved as presented. Moved: Dr. E. Savaria Seconded: S. Musehl <b>APPROVED BY CONSENSUS</b>
4	1min	<b>Approval of the Minutes – December 14, 2021</b>	The Committee reviewed action items from the previous meeting minutes.  The minutes were amended to include preventative screening discussion within the Physician and Nurse Practitioner Council update.	That the minutes of the December 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team Planning Committee meeting be approved as amended. <b>APPROVED BY CONSENSUS</b>
5	5min	<b>Consent Agenda</b>		That the Grey Bruce OHT Planning Committee adopt the Consent Agenda for information. <b>APPROVED BY CONSENSUS</b>
5.1		OHT-PHU COVID-19 Vaccine Resource Document		
6	15min	Updated CHRIS information	The Committee reviewed the CHRIS Information System presentation.  The Committee discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How CHRIS integrates with other systems such as Ocean.</li> </ul>	

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If two way communication is possible using CHRIS.</li> <li>• Liability for primary care providers who would have access to the system.</li> <li>• Whether information within CHRIS would be available to practitioners both inside and outside of the hospital setting.</li> </ul>	
<b>7</b>		<b>Discussions</b>		
7.1	10min	<p>Collaborative Quality Improvement Plans due March 31st, 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cQIP Quality Indicator Data for the OHT Attributed Population</li> </ul>	<p>The Committee discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delaying the submission of the Grey Bruce OHT's cQIP past March 31<sup>st</sup> 2022.</li> <li>• Informing the Ministry of this delay due to the pending completion of the Grey Bruce OHT's Collaborative Decision Making Arrangement.</li> <li>• The potential for partner organizations to note focusing on the cQIP within their own QIP's.</li> <li>• Including the Executive Lead in the cQIP process upon hiring and orientation.</li> </ul>	<p>That the Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team will not submit the Collaborative Quality Improvement Plan by March 31st, 2022 and will look to submit the Collaborative Quality Improvement Plan at a future date.</p> <p><b>APPROVED BY CONSENSUS</b></p>
7.2	10min	Grey Bruce OHT Executive Lead recruitment update	The Committee received an update regarding the status of the Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team Executive Lead recruitment.	
7.3	15min	Nomenclature for Grey Bruce OHT Councils, and Sub-Committees	<p>The Committee discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gathering recommendations from the Grey Bruce OHT Executive Lead once a candidate has been recruited.</li> </ul>	That nomenclature for Grey Bruce OHT Councils, and Sub-Committees to be assigned to

				Grey Bruce OHT Executive Lead following recruitment. <b>APPROVED BY CONSENSUS</b>
7.4	10min	OH West HHR Innovation Funding; proposal deadline Jan 10 2022	<p>The Committee received an update regarding the OH West HHR Innovation Funding proposal submitted on January 7<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>The Committee received an overview of the application submitted to OH West.</p> <p>The Committee also discussed proposals submitted by partner organizations.</p>	
<b>8</b>		<b>Decisions</b>		
		Nil		
<b>9</b>	10min	<b>Operational Challenges Forum</b>	<p><b>Sector Challenges:</b></p> <p>Primary Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experiencing higher levels of staff infections due to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Mental exhaustion amongst staff.</li> <li>• Running vaccination clinics as supply permits.</li> </ul> <p>Physicians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asked to help with vaccine efforts on a voluntary basis.</li> <li>• Some practices seeing patients virtually as well as providing in-person care.</li> <li>• Physicians have moved staff to a remote work setting where possible.</li> </ul>	

Mental Health and Addictions:

- Increasing acuity in addictions.
- Staff working in a hybrid format with rotations between the office and remote work.
- Experiencing reduction in staff due to the COVID-19.
- Continuing to process staff vaccination statuses.
- Staffing challenges with roster and relief staff.
- Facing staff and clientele stress.

Home and Community Care Services & Service Provider Organizations:

- Mandatory vaccination policies implemented in November.
- SPO's noted higher missed care rates in December 2021 with predominant links to COVID-19 related issues such as employees or family members who have contracted COVID-19.
- Staff facing stress during challenges with COVID-19.
- SPO's unable to access to rapid tests or PCR tests as homecare has not been considered a priority category by the province.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Palliative or hospital discharge patients continue to be prioritized.</li><li>• Anticipating shifts in waitlists, but experiencing few currently.</li><li>• Day programs at 25% capacity.</li><li>• Working on ensure staff have received three COVID-19 vaccines.</li><li>• Experiencing volunteer driver's shortages.</li><li>• Also experiencing N-95 masks shortages.</li></ul> <p>Hospice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Experiencing staffing shortages.</li><li>• Most volunteer services suspended on December 20, 2021.</li><li>• Experiencing delays in receiving supplies such as rapid antigen tests and N-95 masks through the OH portal.</li><li>• Anticipating an increase in staff absences following return to schools on January 17, 2022.</li></ul> <p>Acute Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increasing staff shortages due to COVID-19.</li></ul>	
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emergency department hours reduced at Walkerton ED, and Chesley inpatient unit transitioned to ALC unit due to nursing staff shortages.</li></ul> <p>Paramedicine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Staffing remains the same.</li><li>• Continuing to help out with vaccine clinics within the community.</li><li>• Transient populations experiencing COVID-19 outbreak.</li><li>• Seeking a physician delegation for treatment of mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms amongst transient populations.</li></ul> <p>Specialized geriatric services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In various states of virtual and in person care.</li><li>• Geriatric resource nurses have been instructed to provide in-home care for those who are likely to apply additional pressures to acute care in the next 4-6 weeks.</li><li>• Outpatient work continues regularly.</li><li>• Seeing increasing waitlists due to previous waves of COVID-19.</li></ul>	
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various ways of offering services are being considered in an effort to clear waitlist backlog.</li> <li>• Some staff in London have been redeployed and work is being shifted amongst staff.</li> </ul>	
<b>10</b>	5min	<b>Reflections on Planning Committee effectiveness</b>		
<b>11</b>	5min	<b>Round Table</b>		
<b>12</b>	5min	<b>Next Steps</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Strategic Directions Planning Process Consultant selection and discussion</li> </ul>	<p>The Committee received an update regarding the Strategic Directions Planning Process Consultant recruitment.</p> <p>The Committee discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If timelines will need to be modified due to COVID-19.</li> <li>• Scheduling a meeting with the selected candidate to review timelines and expectations.</li> </ul>	A. Hector, M. Barrett and C. MacFarlane to meet and establish timeline for the Strategic Directions Planning Process consultant.
<b>13</b>		<b>Date of Next Meeting – January 25, 2022, 1600 hours</b>	<p>The Committee discussed pausing all non-essential OHT work to focus on critical issues within partner organizations.</p>	<p>Grey Bruce OHT non-essential activity to be paused until February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022.</p> <p>Grey Bruce OHT Planning Committee Agenda to be modified to Operational Challenges Forum until February 8<sup>th</sup> 2022.</p>
<b>14</b>		<b>Motion to Adjourn</b>		

**APPENDIX A.  
ATTENDEES**

<b>Present:</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Abigail Woodcock	Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team
Alex Hector	South East Grey Community Health Centre
Brian Dunne	Participation House Support Services
Clark MacFarlane	Canadian Mental Health Association Mental Health and Addictions Services Grey Bruce
Craig Hennessy	Ontario Health
Crystal Osborne	Owen Sound Family Health Team
Dana Howes	Hanover & District Hospital
Daryl Nancekivell	Home and Community Care Support Services – South West
Dave Zago	Hanover Family Health Team
Dr. Ali Ahmad	Grey Bruce Health Services Physician Representative
Dr. Elyse Savaria	Physician and Nurse Practitioner Council Representative
Dr. Gary Gurbin	Kincardine Family Health Team Physician Representative
Dr. Nathalie Sauriol	Grey Bruce Health Services Physician Representative
Gary Sims	Grey Bruce Health Services
Janet Fairbridge	Residential Hospice Grey Bruce
Jodi Phillips	Care Partners (SPO representative)
John Kurvink	Grey Bruce Health Services
Julie Johnston	Alzheimer Society of Grey-Bruce
Kevin McNab	Grey County – Paramedic Services
Lauren Gardner	SW Frail Seniors Strategy
Michael Barrett	South Bruce Grey Health Centre
Stephanie Dudgeon	Brockton and Area Family Health Team
Stephen Musehl	Home and Community Support Services Grey Bruce
Steve Schaus	Bruce County – Paramedic Services
Sue Byers	Sauble Family Health Team
Sue Hillis	Dale Brain Injury Services
Taylor Holdsworth	South Bruce Grey Health Centre



**Regrets:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Brian Dokis	Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre
Cynthia Porter	Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation
Dr. Angela Cavanagh	Kincardine Family Health Team, Physician Representative
Dr. Ian Arra	Grey Bruce Public Health
Dr. Kelly Fenn	Physician and Nurse Practitioner Council Member
Dr. Sarita Singh	South Bruce Grey Health Centre Physician Representative
Heike Berger	Midwives Grey Bruce
Jennifer Cornell	Grey County – Long-Term Care
Julia Peart	South East Grey Community Health Centre
Kelly McIntyre Muddle	South West Frail Seniors Strategy
Madison Curry	South Bruce Grey Health Centre
Megan Garland	Bruce County Long-Term Care
Pamela Loughlean	Peninsula Family Health Team
Paul Hoban	Peninsula Family Health Team
Phil Dodd	Keystone Child, Youth and Family Services
Ray Lux	Grey County – Paramedic Services
Samantha Colwell	Ontario Health West
Sarah Cunningham	Grey Bruce Health Services
Trish Meekins	Saugeen First Nation
Victoria Cumming	Hanover & District Hospital