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SUBJECT: WORKING WITH THE CHAMPLAIN LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION
NETWORK (LHIN) ON HEALTH STATUS REPORTING

OBJET: TRAVAILLER AVEC LE RÉSEAU LOCAL D'INTÉGRATION DES SERVICES
DE SANTÉ (RLISS) DE CHAMPLAIN SUR UN RAPPORT DE L'ÉTAT DE SANTÉ

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide the Board of Health with an update on Ottawa Public Health's (OPH) collaborative work with the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) related to health status reporting.

BACKGROUND

In December of 2015, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care released *Patients First: A Proposal to Strengthen Patient-Centred Health Care in Ontario*. This discussion paper outlined a plan to transform Ontario's health care system into one that puts the needs of patients at its centre. In February 2016, the Ottawa Board of Health (BOH) provided input into this proposal through a report titled [*Towards Better Outcomes for Communities and Patients: Protecting and Leveraging Public Health in Ontario's Proposed Health System Transformation*](#). The BOH received further updates on this proposal in June 2016 and October 2016 through the Medical Officer of Health's verbal reports. In particular, in October 2016, the Province introduced Bill 41, which replaced the original Patients First Act following the legislature's summer prorogation. This Bill, which received Royal Assent on December 8, 2016, requires that public health units work with LHINs on aspects of health system planning, funding and service delivery.

In recent months, as the province moved towards implementation of the new legislative requirements, two aspects of this legislation - the identification of Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) sub-regions and the priority for stronger links between population and public health and other services - spurred a collaborative effort between the Champlain LHIN, public health units and other partners to prepare a joint health report to help inform the Patient's First proposal in the Champlain LHIN. This joint health report will represent another step in an evolving process to provide information to ensure that population and public health priorities inform health planning, funding and delivery.

The report is the product of collaboration between the Champlain LHIN, Ottawa Public Health and the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, with contributions from The Ottawa Hospital, The Royal, the Renfrew County and District Health Unit and the Lanark, Leeds and Grenville Health Unit.

The report contains information about Champlain LHIN sub-regions, including:

1. Demographic, socio-cultural, and socioeconomic data;
2. General health measures such as self-rated general health and need for assistance with activities of daily living;
3. Risk factors such as smoking rates, use of a regular family doctor or children vulnerable at school entry;
4. Chronic conditions such as diabetes and hospitalization for stroke;
5. Cancer incidence;
6. Infectious disease measures such as Chlamydia and hepatitis C rates;

7. Mortality measures including avoidable mortality and life expectancy;
8. Mental health measures such as self-rated mental health and mental health prevalence estimates;
9. Health service provider distribution and capacity such as long term care occupancy rate and client to service availability estimates;
10. LHIN system performance measures such as primary care performance measures and emergency department visits for conditions best managed elsewhere;
11. Hospital and cross-sector performance measures such as percentage of high needs patients with a coordinated care plan and satisfaction with health care in the community;
12. Home and community care system performance measures such as home care performance measures; and
13. Mental health system performance measures such as repeat emergency department visits.

Preliminary analysis from this joint project was presented on March 31, 2017 at the Primary Care Congress in Ottawa. A copy is attached at Document 1. The final product is expected to be presented to the Champlain LHIN Board in June 2017. A copy will be provided to Members of the Ottawa Board of Health for their information.

NEXT STEPS

Ottawa Public Health will continue to work with the Champlain LHIN and other local health units and partners on initiatives related to health system planning, funding and service delivery and will inform the Board of Health of these activities as appropriate.

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DOCUMENT 1 – Champlain LHIN Sub-Regions Population Health Profiles – Preliminary Analysis (issued separately and held on file with the Board Secretary)