

**Report to  
Rapport au:**

**Ottawa Board of Health  
Conseil de santé d'Ottawa  
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**Ward: CITY WIDE / À L'ÉCHELLE DE LA VILLE      File Number: ACS2017-OPH-SSB-0003**

**SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE AT THE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES' (aLPHa) 2017 WINTER SYMPOSIUM**

**OBJET: PARTICIPATION AU SYMPOSIUM DE L'HIVER 2017 DE L'ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES (aLPHa)**

#### **REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit approve the attendance of Members Qaqish and Tilley at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies' (aLPHa) 2017 Winter Symposium, to be held February 23 and 24, 2017 in Toronto.**

## **RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT**

**Que le Conseil de santé de la circonscription sanitaire de la ville d'Ottawa approuve la participation des membres Qaqish et Tilley au symposium d'hiver de l'Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA), qui aura lieu du 23 au 24 février 2017 à Toronto.**

## **BACKGROUND**

Ottawa Public Health is an active member of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA). alPHA provides leadership to boards of health and public health units in Ontario as well as advises and lends expertise on the governance, administration and management of health units. The Association also collaborates with governments and other health organizations, advocating for a strong, effective and efficient public health system in the province. Membership includes Board of Health Members, senior staff from public health units as well as affiliate members.

Ottawa Public Health benefits from the participation of staff and Board representatives. alPHA regularly holds three meetings a year; Fall and Winter Symposiums as well as the Annual Conference and General Meeting.

## **DISCUSSION**

Board Members were canvassed for their interest in attending the alPHA Board of Health Winter Symposium. Member Qaqish and Tilley indicated they were available to attend the session. Member Qaqish will be attending the full symposium whereas, due to a prior commitment, Member Tilley will be attending only on Friday, February 24, 2017.

## **RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no rural implications associated with this report.

## **CONSULTATION**

Board of Health Members were consulted.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal impediments to implementing the recommendation in this report.

**RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk management implications associated to this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The estimated total cost for both delegates to attend the alPHa 2017 Winter Symposium is estimated at \$2500 including registration fees, per diem and travel expenses. Funds are available within the Ottawa Board of Health budget.

**ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS**

There are no accessibility impacts associated with this report.

**DISPOSITION**

The Board Secretary will process the registrations for the session and assist in travel arrangements, as necessary. The Board Secretary will advise alPHa of the Ottawa Board of Health representatives. Should the members be unable to attend, it is requested that they notify the Board Secretary as soon as possible, who will search for a substitute.