# Report to Rapport au:

Ottawa Board of Health Conseil de santé d'Ottawa 19 April 2021 / 19 avril 2021

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VILLE

SUBJECT: PARTICIPATION IN THE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH

AGENCIES' (alPHa) 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND

CONFERENCE

**OBJET:** PARTICIPATION À L'ASSEMBLÉE GÉNÉRALE ET CONFÉRENCE

ANNUELLE DE L'ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH

AGENCIES (alPHa) 2021

#### REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit approve the participation of Members Cloutier and El-Chantiry at the Association of Local Public Health Agencies' (alPHa) 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference, to be held virtually on June 8, 2021.

#### RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Conseil de santé de la circonscription sanitaire de la ville d'Ottawa approuve la participation des membres Cloutier et El-Chantiry à l'assemblée

générale et conférence annuelle de *l'Association of Local Public Health Agencies* (alPHa), qui se déroulera de façon virtuelle le 8 juin 2021.

#### 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, Medical Officers of Health and Associate Medical Officers of Health, as well as senior public health managers and affiliate members.

Participation in alPHa meetings is strongly encouraged, including by the Medical Officer of Health and/or Associate Medical Officers of Health and, whenever possible, Members of the Board of Health. alPHa regularly holds three meetings a year, including a Fall and Winter Symposium as well as the Annual General Meeting and Conference.

#### DISCUSSION

Board Members were canvassed for their interest in attending the alPHa Board of Health Annual General Meeting and Conference. Members Cloutier and El-Chantiry indicated they were available to attend.

#### **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 cost per delegate is approximately \$170 to attend the virtual alPHa 2021 Annual

General Meeting and Conference. Funds are available within the Ottawa Board of Health operating budget.

## **ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS**

There are no accessibility impacts associated with this report.

### **DISPOSITION**

The Board Secretary will process the registrations 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.