



# CKOHT UPDATE

NOVEMBER 8, 2019

## MINISTRY SITE VISIT COMPLETED

One thing I can say for certain is that the process to become an Ontario Health Team is moving quickly. After submitting our full application on October 9, we received word on October 22 that our in-person site visit from the Ministry of Health would occur on November 5 – meaning we were right back into work mode with two weeks to prepare.

Hosted at the Thamesview Family Health Team site on Grand Ave. in Chatham, we had the opportunity to bring our 120-page submission to life, in 20 slides, for an outreach team of three individuals representing the Ministry. The presentation was followed by about an hour's worth of questions from the panel and an opportunity for physicians to quickly meet with the panel over lunch before heading back to their patients.

There is no question in my mind we effectively showcased our deep collaboration and commitment to this initiative. We had nearly 30 representatives from our CKOHT in attendance, including steering committee members, physicians, nurse practitioners and patient advisors; all of whom took part in our presentation and follow-up discussion with the outreach team.

Individuals from the outreach team remarked on how well written our submission is and were impressed by our presentation and some of the visual documents we've created to support our CKOHT education efforts. The team will now provide a report to the Ministry to be included in the evaluation of our submission. We should hear from the Ministry within the next 2-3 weeks regarding next steps.

With one more milestone in the books, I am confident we are moving toward officially becoming the Chatham-Kent Ontario Health Team in the future.

Lori Marshall  
Co-chair



## CHECK US OUT ONLINE

Be sure to Like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter and Instagram to stay engaged with our work and to support the CKOHT's vision of **achieving the best health and well-being together.**

## CONTACT US

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us by email at:  
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# OUR PHASE 1 PARTNERS

Société Alzheimer Society  
CHATHAM - KENT

CHATHAM-KENT  
Health Alliance

CHATHAM-KENT  
FAMILY HEALTH TEAM

westover  
TREATMENT CENTRE

Chatham-Kent  
Hospice

Thamesview  
FAMILY HEALTH TEAM

Chatham-Kent  
Community Health Centres  
Centres de santé communautaire  
de Chatham-Kent

MARCH LA MARCHÉ  
OF DIMITES DES DIX SOUS  
CANADA DU CANADA

Municipality of  
Chatham-Kent  
Cultivating Growth, Shore to Shore

TF Transform  
SHARED SERVICE ORGANIZATION

Erie St. Clair LHIN

Canadian Mental  
Health Association  
Lambton Kent  
Association canadienne  
pour la santé mentale  
Filiale de Lambton Kent

Erie St. Clair Behavioural Supports Ontario

Tilbury District  
FAMILY HEALTH TEAM

St. Andrew's  
Residence  
Active Living • Professional Care

# SUPPORTING COLLABORATION BETWEEN PARTNERS

Each of the partner agencies involved with the CKOHT has its own board/governance and operational structure and that will continue in the future state. As well, all partners will continue to serve current patients, while also supporting the CKOHT's targeted Year 1 Population.

THE CKOHT IS:	THE CKOHT IS NOT:
A collaboration between health care partners	Taking the place of agencies or agency boards
Focused on the expertise and professionals within partner agencies to support improved programs and services for patients	Making/implementing decisions that directly affect a partner agency without consulting that agency's board
Working at a strategic level to co-design an improved local health care system	Adding barriers to an agency's ability to provide patient care or manage its operations
Committed to working with existing partner agency boards to set and approve system goals	Setting unrealistic expectations for partner agencies/board staff

# JOIN OUR MAILING LIST

Keep up-to-date with the development of the Chatham-Kent Ontario Health Team, key milestones in our journey and what our partners are up to. Head to our website at [www.ckoht.ca](http://www.ckoht.ca) and add your email address to join our mailing list.

As we continue to move forward, there is going to be lots of news and information to share. We are committed to ensuring all of our partners, patients and the communities we serve are well-educated about the CKOHT so we can effectively co-design a local health care system we can all be proud of.

# ADDRESSING POPULATION HEALTH AND PREVENTATIVE CARE

The CKOHT understands the need to look at and target population health and preventative care. Several of our partners are already focused on addressing social determinants of health and in our submission to the Ministry, we have pointed to several strategies to focus on as an OHT, including:

- Building on successful initiatives such as:
  - Indigenous seniors dental program
  - Primary care for non-English or high-risk newcomers
  - On-site urgent/preventative clinics for isolated seniors
- Advocating that healthy choices are possible; creating supportive environments that prevent disease and protect people
- Working with other potential OHTs and the Ministry to standardize a population health management tool
- Continuing to expand/scale drug awareness and opioid strategies
- Leveraging and promoting expertise within the Chatham-Kent Public Health Unit