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OPEN BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD IN PORT PERRY **Central East LHIN Board of Directors welcomes public attendance**

The Board of Directors of the Central East LHIN (Local Health Integration Network) will hold their next open board meeting on Friday, February 9, 2007, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Scugog Community Centre, 1655 Reach Street, Port Perry. The general public and health care providers are invited to attend.

Board meetings are held on a monthly basis so that information can be reviewed and discussed by the Board to assist the decision making process as they support the work of the staff of the Central East LHIN. Items on the agenda typically include reports from the Chair and CEO along with specific presentations on current activities.

On February 9th the agenda will include presentations on the LHIN's E-health Strategy Plan Update and an update on the Integrated Health Service Plan (IHSP) workplan development.

“Open Board Meetings provide an excellent opportunity for people in our communities to witness the work being done on their behalf by the board, the staff and community and healthcare volunteers,” said Foster Loucks, Chair of the Central East LHIN Board of Directors. “Already hundreds of people are volunteering on local advisory teams or collaboratives and joining larger clinical networks at the Central East LHIN and the monthly board meetings show how this all comes together.”

Information on collaboratives, networks and ongoing opportunities for continued public involvement is posted on the Central East LHIN website.

The Board has now established four standing committees – Audit, Community Nominations, Finance and Governance. These meetings are also open to the public.

A calendar, meeting notices, agendas and supporting documents for board meetings and board committee meetings are posted on the Central East LHIN website at www.centraleastthin.on.ca. For more information, people can contact Karen O'Brien-Monaghan at 1-866-804-5446 ext. 212 or Karen.obrienmonaghan@lhins.on.ca.

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The Central East LHIN, which recently released its first Integrated Health Service Plan, is one of 14 not-for-profit organizations, created by the provincial government to be responsible for planning, integrating and funding local health services - hospitals, long term care facilities, community care access centres, community health centres, community support services and mental health and addictions agencies.

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