



## **FEEDBACK REQUESTED ON NEW WAY OF DELIVERING CARE** **Organizations in Northumberland County share first phase of new health care delivery model**

### **NEWS**

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Seven local health care organizations in Northumberland are asking their communities – local residents, patients, clients and family caregivers, staff, physicians, volunteers and health care partners – to provide their feedback on the first phase of a new way of delivering health care in the region.

Through a facilitated integration process, a proposed DRAFT Integrated Service Delivery Model has been developed for input by a Northumberland Integration Planning Team (IPT). Meeting weekly, the IPT examined integration pros and cons, risks and reinvestment opportunities with an aim to improve access, ensure taxpayer dollars continue to be effectively spent to deliver services and better position their organizations to respond to increasing demands and future changes.

Consisting of six recommendations, the 15 page DRAFT Integrated Service Delivery Model is now available on the Central East LHIN website and each of the seven organizations' websites for comment, together with a short slide presentation highlighting the process, objectives and recommendations. Hard copies of these documents are also available from each of the organizations, on request.

Until January 10<sup>th</sup>, using both a web-enabled and hard copy survey, the seven organizations are inviting feedback from their communities for consideration in advance of submission of a proposed FINAL Integration Plan. The FINAL Plan is expected to be presented to their respective Boards and the Central East LHIN Board in February 2014.

If approved, the proposed DRAFT model could lead to the continued development of a Rural Health Hub in Trent Hills; the development of new County-wide (regional) programs; development of an Assisted Living & Supportive Housing Model in Northumberland; a strategic alliance between Northumberland Hills Hospital and Port Hope Community Health Centre; the development of integrated technology capacity; and, the creation of a Northumberland Health System Transformation Council.

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The Northumberland Integration Planning Team includes the senior leadership from each of the seven organizations. Part of a LHIN-wide Community Health Services (CHS) Integration Strategy initiated by the Board of the Central East LHIN, similar discussions have been occurring concurrently in other parts of the Central East region, including Scarborough, Durham, Haliburton/City of Kawartha Lakes and Peterborough.

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The seven organizations participating in the Northumberland County Community Health Services facilitated integration process include: Campbellford Memorial Hospital; Campbellford Memorial Multicare Lodge; Community Care Northumberland; Branch 133 Legion Village; Northumberland Hills Hospital; Port Hope Community Health Centre; and, VON Canada – Ontario Branch.

For more information and to access a copy of the survey and supporting documents, please visit the Central East LHIN website – [www.centraleastlhin.on.ca](http://www.centraleastlhin.on.ca) – and click on “[Resource Documents – Integration – Community Health Services Integration – North East Cluster – Northumberland County.](#)”

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