

Date: February 16, 2022
To: GW OHT Core Steering Committee
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Subject: **Key Messages – Core Steering – February 16, 2022**

Key Messages

The following are the Key Messages from the Guelph Wellington OHT Steering Committee meeting on February 16, 2022. They can be shared as appropriate with your staff, clinicians, boards, and partners.

- The Steering Committee celebrated the following accomplishments:
 - Pat Stuart, Executive Director of Hospice Wellington and GW OHT Steering Committee member, is being honoured with the Lifetime Achievement award at the Guelph YMCA’s Woman of Distinction event. Congratulations were offered to Pat for this much deserved recognition.
 - On February 8th, it was announced that 195 new beds were to be built in three long-term care homes (LTCHs) in Guelph. This includes adding 29 new beds to The Elliott Long Term Care Residence, 160 new beds to St. Joseph’s Health Centre, Guelph and six new beds at Eden House Nursing Home. Thanks, and congratulations were directed to our LTCH partners for their efforts to bring these much needed beds to our community.
 - In February 2022, the GW OHT has launched its Patient Family Advisory Committee (PFAC). The GW OHT has had a ‘Patient Advisory Group’ in place since 2020 as we worked towards formalizing and recruiting new members for a PFAC. Under the leadership of Katelyn Young, GW OHT Patient Engagement Coordinator, and the GW OHT PFAC co-chairs, Rob Mungham and Mike Greer, the GW OHT PFAC will continue its work to ensure that the voice of those that we serve is embedded in all of the work of the GW OHT.
- The GW OHT Steering Committee received several updates about reporting and funding of the OHT:
 - The Q3 report to the Ministry was reviewed – it consists of an update on the OHT’s spending plan, a narrative report and an update on indicators selected to demonstrate the impact of our work with our priority populations.
 - There is no commitment to OHT funding from the Ministry for OHTs for the 2022/23 fiscal year
 - The GW OHT may be eligible for “Partnership Funding” from the Ministry that is intended to support the on-going partnership development with Rural Wellington partners. No commitment or timing has been received.
 - GW OHT is looking forward to a webinar with the Ministry on February 18 providing an ‘Update on Home and Community Care Modernization’
 - The process and timelines for approval of the ‘GW OHT Strategic Priorities’ was reviewed. The priorities are on track to be approved by GW OHT Strategy and Governance Council on April 21.
 - The draft strategic priorities are being used by the GW OHT working groups to inform their work plans for 2022/23

- The GW OHT Steering Committee approved two key documents:
 - **GW OHT Branding Standard** - The purpose of the standard is to support consistent use of the GW OHT name and logo “to create a clear and positive image of the Guelph Wellington Ontario Health Team”. It also defines when partners should use the GW OHT logo based on the number of GW OHT member organizations involved in a GW OHT-related initiative.
 - **GW OHT Cost Sharing Framework & Methodology Policy** – This policy describes the methodology that will be used to calculate each partner’s contribution to the GW OHT budget.

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