April 2022

Guelph Wellington Ontario Health Team

Guelph Wellington OHT Strategic Priority Update

GW OHT has Finalized its 2022-2025 Strategic Priorities:

1. **Stronger Integration and Communication**
2. **Shared Understanding and Advancement of Health Equity**
3. **System Recovery and Stability**

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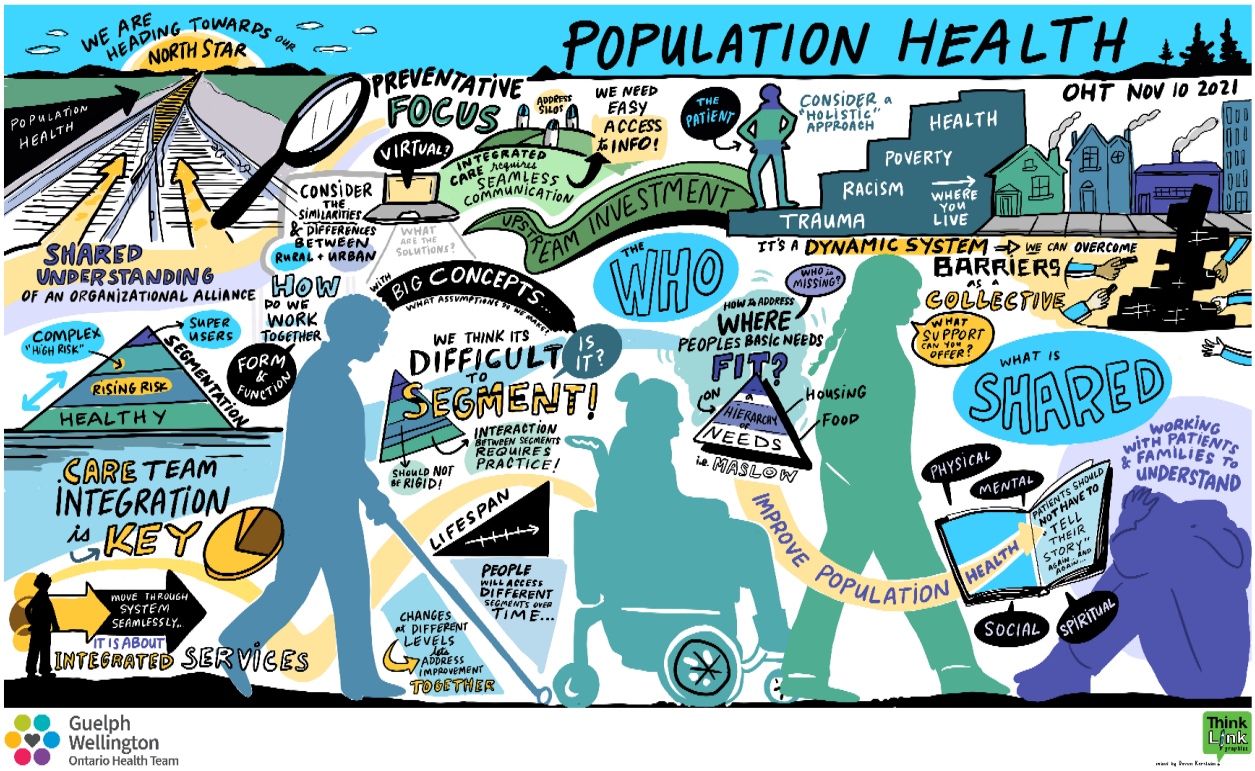
to celebrate the accomplishments of the GW OHT in 2021/22 and to learn more about what is planned to support the achievement of our **strategic priorities** over the next three years.

Thursday, May 12 from 10:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Click **Here** to Register



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Guelph Wellington OHT has been 1 of 7 OHTs selected to proceed to the next stage of planning for the *Home Care Modernization Leading Project* program!

What does it mean to be a *Leading Project*? The objectives of Leading Projects are to:

- Contribute to advancing the Quadruple Aim in home care, including improved responsiveness to client needs, quality, access, equity of care for clients/patients and caregivers, and improved provider experience.
- Build on the development of new models of home care delivery, apply local and international best practices, and leverage lessons learned from prior tests of change.
- Demonstrate potential for new models of care that can/will be enabled by the ministry's new legislation and are connected to primary care and other OHT services.
- In collaboration with Home and Community Care Support Services Waterloo Wellington, inform future transformation of the home care sector through a focused, collaborative approach that prioritizes learning and continuous improvement and builds a strong foundation for transition.
- Expand understanding of home care delivery among OHT partners.
- Share learnings that will help the provincial plan for home care modernization in future phases.

In partnership with Home and Community Care Support Services Waterloo Wellington, GW OHT staff will be working to complete a detailed proposal. Approved projects will then proceed to the implementation planning phase. We are excited for this opportunity to make care in our community (and provincially) better for our patients!

GW OHT Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Showcase

On April 5, the GW OHT hosted an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Showcase to share the 'EDI in Practice Tools' resulting from our partnership with the University of Guelph's Professor Thomas Sasso and the students of his "*Advanced Topics in Management*" course. The tools developed by the students lay the foundation for the co-creation of health equity standards across the GW OHT in support of our 'Commitment to Diversity, Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression'.

Click here to access the resources including 'Patient & Family Advisory Council Tools', 'Recruitment & Retention Standards', 'Vaccine Equity', 'Access to Mental Health & Additions Services', 'EDI Committee Resources & Guide', 'Inclusive Language Guidance' and 'Creating a Safer & Positive Environment for Complaints.'

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Despite 2021/22 being a challenging year, partners of the GW OHT made significant headway in both supporting our community's COVID-19 related needs & transforming how care is delivered in our community.

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For example, the Integrated Patient Care Team model has been launched in eight primary care sites with Care Coordinators, mental health and addictions workers becoming dedicated and integrated members of the 'patient's team.' This is just one great example of the work done. To learn more about the past year, click here.

Every week, hundreds of people across Guelph and Wellington order fresh, local and sustainable groceries right to their doorstep – and we hope that **YOU** will join us! Groceries from **The SEED** is Canada's first pay-what-you-can online grocery store, and it's right here in Guelph-Wellington. We deliver groceries to the doors of customers of all incomes. By shopping for groceries, you help others afford food.

Together, we can make Guelph-Wellington one of the first communities in Canada where everyone has access to nutritious food.

We need more grocery shoppers!

- We want to offer 50%-off groceries to the 400+ low-income households on our waiting list.
- We already have capacity in our warehouse and delivery systems, with hundreds shopping every week and $485,000 saved on grocery bills so far.
- We just need more folks to get shopping at regular retail price so we can scale up. It takes a community to feed a community. Start shopping at Groceries from The SEED and see for yourself how easy it is - **https://theseedguelph.ca/groceries/**

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