

NSM LHIN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL *Council approves decision-making framework!*

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March 10th Council Meeting

NSM DECISION-MAKING FRAMEWORK

At the February 10th meeting, the Council was presented with a draft version of the Decision-Making Framework. Information on the development process and reasoning behind the need for a framework was provided and members were asked to further review the document and provide comments back to staff.

Staff received insightful and helpful comments which were incorporated into the final version of the document and brought back to the March Council meeting for final approval.

The motion that was approved reads as follows:

It was resolved that the NSM LHIN Leadership Council approves the Decision-Making Framework for use in Council decisions as well as for decision-making at the Local Leadership councils and at all LHIN-led steering committees and working groups.

CENTRAL EAST STROKE NETWORK

Cheryl Moher, Regional Program Manager, presented an overview of the CE Stroke Network. Cheryl noted the Network is prioritizing key areas such as rehabilitation, community reintegration and diverse community needs, while developing and implementing initiatives for cardiovascular health and chronic disease prevention and management. The Network is a member of the NSM Cardiovascular Integrated Services Steering Committee and working closely with the NSM

Aboriginal Health Circle to reduce the burden of heart disease and stroke.

Tom Bigda-Peyton from Action Learning Systems and Cheryl talked about the demonstration project the Network is busy participating in, exploring how best to implement stroke best practices. The Network will be holding a project kick-off event / think tank session on Tuesday, March 30th.

HEALTH SYSTEM DESIGN UPDATE

The Council continues to work with LHIN staff and others on the development of the health system design project. On Wednesday, March 31st from 9 – 11am the LHIN will officially be launching the project with a LHIN-wide videoconference. Everyone is invited to participate. The launch will be hosted in 5 main locations throughout the LHIN, but available to anyone with access to a NSM Ontario Telemedicine Network (OTN) system. For further information on the launch, please feel free to contact Susan French, Communications Coordinator, NSM LHIN at 1-866-903-5446 x234.

COMMUNICATIONS

Suzanne Legue, Royal Victoria Hospital and Terry Dyni, Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital provided communication information and a presentation on behalf of the NSM LHIN Communicators Group.

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Strategies for implementing better public communication materials and website initiatives were presented.

The Council was asked to spread the word within each of their respective sectors, encouraging communication staff to join the NSM LHIN Communicators' Group. This collaborative effort will further enhance communications throughout our region. Interested individuals are asked to contact Terry Dyni at 705-325-2201 x3798.

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AGING AT HOME

LHIN staff provided an overview of proposed initiatives for Year 3 Aging at Home funding. Staff confirmed initiatives were vetted through the decision-making framework that was finalized at the March Council meeting. Next steps for the proposed initiatives, involves presentation by LHIN staff to the Board of Directors and then submission to the ministry.

The motion that was approved reads as follows:
It was resolved that on recommendation of the ER/ALC Steering Committee, the NSM LHIN Leadership Council recommends the NSM LHIN Board of Directors approve the Aging at Home 2010-11 proposals.

REGIONAL COMPLEX CONTINUING CARE PROGRAM

Five members of the Complex Continuing Care (CCC) Steering Committee reviewed the current Regional CCC service design and presented recommended findings on modifications that would assist the North Simcoe Muskoka CCC Steering Committee in moving to design a CCC Centre of Excellence model for healthcare improvements.

As the IHSD Project continues, the recommendations from the Regional CCC Review now need to be

realigned and incorporated consistently with the LHIN priority of creating an integrated health system in North Simcoe Muskoka.

The Regional CCC Steering Committee will be meeting in March 2010 to have further discussion on the recommendations.

The motion that was approved reads as follows:
It was resolved that the NSM LHIN Leadership Council approve in principle and support the ongoing development of the program and a work plan of the complex continuing care regional service recommendations proposed by the NSM LHIN Complex Continuing Care Steering Committee.

WOUND CARE

Bill Innes, NSM CCAC CEO summarized the February 4th successful launch of the NSM Wound Care initiative. Representatives attended from many different organizations. It was agreed this wound care approach should be fully implemented across all health care sectors. Interested organizations are asked to contact the NSM CCAC at 1-888-721-2222. B. Blais noted the LHIN / CCAC CEOs who met on February 2nd and 3rd all agreed to the importance of a standardized approach to wound care.

The motion that was approved reads as follows:
It was resolved that the NSM LHIN Leadership Council supports the development, implementation and monitoring of standardized wound care protocols based on research and best practice across North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN.

NEXT STEPS

The next meeting of the Council is set for Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at the NSM LHIN office beginning at 4pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the LHIN at northsimcoemuskoka@lhins.on.ca.