

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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The Board of Directors held a meeting on December 6, 2018.

Moving on Mental Health Newsletter

The Moving on Mental Health newsletter Issue 6 has been published and is available on the hospital's web site or by clicking <u>here</u>. This edition highlights the Child and Youth Mental Health Program's youth engagement work, and the newsletter itself was completed by Micaela Harley, Youth Advisor.

2018-2019 Operating Results

The Board approved the financial statements for the period ending October 2018. The Hospital continues to operate within budget and is in a good position approaching the winter months.

Medical Staff Organization

The Medical Staff Organization held a meeting on November 8, 2018 and elected the following executive:

- Dr. Neil Davis as President of the Medical Staff
- Dr. Paul Westergaard as Vice-President of the Medical Staff; and
- Dr. Alan Davis as Secretary/Treasurer.

Pharmacy Inspection 2018

The Hospital Assessment Report has been received from the Ontario College of Pharmacists related to their inspection held on October 23, 2018. The Pharmacy team was pleased with the report as there were no surprises. All areas identified for improvement will be actioned on within the next couple of months.

No area has been identified as "not meeting standards" but some as "partially meeting standards" that require an action plan. These items referred primarily to sterile compounding with an emphasis on procedures and training.

Cornwall Community Hospital is fortunate to be in a position where these standards can be met, as many hospitals of our size are struggling with the standards. The Hospital's compliance is due largely to the new pharmacy space that was completed with the Chemotherapy program.

Better Outcomes Registry and Network (BORN)

The Board of Directors received the results of the Maternal Newborn Dashboard produced by BORN Ontario for the period of July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018.

The Hospital is meeting performance targets on all indicators. This is as a result of efforts made across the entire team of staff and physicians under the leadership of the Chief of Obstetrics/Gynaecology and Manager of Women and Children's Health Services.

Progress Reports

The Board of Directors reviewed the following progress reports:

- Corporate Scorecard Quarterly Report;
- Operating Plan Progress Report; and
- Integrated Patient Safety and Quality Plan Quarterly Report.

Research Study

The Board approved Hospital participation in the research study "Exploring Patient and Caregiver's and Nurse Leaders Perspectives on Quality Nursing Services and Nursing Sensitive Quality Measures". This study funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and executed through the University of Toronto, addresses the thoughts and perceptions on nursing care by patients, caregivers and nursing leaders. The purpose of this study is to explore the perceptions of quality of nursing services and nursing sensitive quality measures.

Plans, Policies and Terms of Reference

The Board approved or revised the following:

- Integrated Patient Safety and Quality Plan 2018-2020;
- Policy No. CR 10-024 Operating Plan;
- Policy No. CR 15-012 Evaluation of Chief Executive Officer;
- Policy No. CR 15-013 Evaluation of Chief of Staff;
- Policy No. IM 10-045 Incident Reporting, Investigation and Follow-Up;
- Patient Care Committee Terms of Reference.

The Talent Management Plan dated November 2018 was also received for information purposes.

Recognition

The Board recognized the following:

Ms. Christina Adams, Manager of Pharmacy Services, for her leadership in ensuring that the Hospital's Pharmacy successfully passed the routine assessment conducted by the Ontario College of Pharmacists in October 2018;

Dr. Jean Augustin, for providing much needed assistance to the Department of Mental Health by covering shifts and by taking on an additional responsibility by agreeing to supervise an International Medical Graduate to work in Cornwall;

Ms. Joan Cashion, Ms. Shirley Cooper and Ms. Desneiges Miseferi, for receiving a Provincial Life Membership from the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario;

Dr. Alan E. Davis, for his many years of service as Chief of Emergency Medicine;

Dr. Olugbenga Dehinbo, Chief of Obstetrics/Gynaecology, **and the team involved in the preparation of vaginal births after caesarian section deliveries**, as during the first quarter of 2018-2019, there were five such births which is significant;

Ms. Micaela Harley, for her excellent work in producing the Moving on Mental Health newsletter;

Dr. Wasseem Moussa, for his efforts and diligence in thoroughly reviewing all cases coming before the Hospital's Medical Quality Assurance Committee and for his valuable insights;

Ms. Angel Quesnel, Manager of Early Response Teams, for her work in the implementation of the Vulnerable Sector Mobile Acute Response Team (VSMART).

The Board also recognized the work of **all involved in improving the results on the corporate scorecard** indicators and reaching targets.