Grey County Logo Committee Report

# Report LTCR-CM-19-17

**To**: Chair Burley and Members of the Long Term Care Committee of Management

**From**: Lynne Johnson, Director of Long Term Care

**Meeting Date:** September 12, 2017

**Subject: Integrated Health Care System**

**Status**: Recommendation adopted by Committee of Management as presented per Resolution CM10-17; Endorsed by Committee of the Whole September 28, 2017 per Resolution CW212-17; Endorsed by Council October 12, 217 per Resolution CC55-17;

## Recommendation

1. **That report LTCR-CM-19-17 providing an overview of Grey County Long Term Care homes involvement in the Integrated Health Care System be received for information.**

## Background

The following information is found on the South West Local Health Integration Network web page:

“Ontario’s Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care and Patients First: Road Map to Strengthen Home and Community Care clearly identify the need for the province, LHINs and health service providers to continually pursue opportunities to integrate and align services. To accomplish this goal, integration needs to be more than a project by project endeavor. It needs to include system wide integration and collaboration. This takes a common vision and trust between health service providers and system partners working together to improve quality of care, population health and value for money.”[[1]](#footnote-1)

Long Term Care is one partner in the health care system and there is an increasing need for all partners to work together to meet the needs of the people served and to ensure that resources are used as effectively as possible.

Staff from the Grey County homes currently participate at a number of local provider tables including:

* Grey Bruce Long Term Care Committee
* Grey Bruce Health Coalition
* Behavioural Supports Ontario Co-operative
* Health Links
* SWLHIN Long Term Care Homes Network

This provides an opportunity to learn about new initiatives, challenges, and best practices and provides a forum to give input to address system challenges and/or changes.

Staff have also participated on committees at the South West Local Health Integration Network, AMO and served on the Ontario Long Term Care Association Board.

## Financial/Staffing/Legal/Information Technology Considerations

The service provided by long term care over the years has changed, health care expenditures are escalating and the South West Local Health Integration Network is responsible to develop and implement a multiyear Integrated Health Service Plan. This requires community engagement and dedication by all health care partners to participate in initiatives and support the plan. By participating at area provider tables, staff can engage with system partners and remain current on initiatives, best practices and challenges.

On September 19, the SWLHIN is hosting a networking and information session to discuss the work towards a more fully integrated health care system in Grey and Bruce. Staff will be attending the session and registration details were circulated to all council in the email blast on August 30.

## Link to Strategic Goals/Priorities

Goal 3- Deliver Excellence in Governance and Service

## Attachments and Background Information

None

Respectfully submitted by,

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Director of Long Term Care

Director Sign Off: Lynne Johnson

1. “Integrated Health Service Plan, 2016-2019” Retrieved from <http://www.southwestlhin.on.ca/goalsandachievements/integration.aspx> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)