Addendum: Board of Health Meeting

Meeting # 08-18

Thursday, November 22, 2018
1:30 p.m.

Boardroom, Public Health Sudbury & Districts
ADDENDUM – EIGHTH MEETING
BOARD OF HEALTH
NOVEMBER 22, 2018

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DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

i) Association of Local Public Health Agencies (aPHa) Newsletter
   - aPHa Information Break dated November 21, 2018

ii) Board of Health Meeting

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

MOTION:

WHEREAS area municipalities have various processes and timeframes for appointing members to the Board of Health following municipal elections, some of which conclude following the regularly scheduled January 17, 2019, Board of Health meeting; and

WHEREAS at its first meeting of the year and per the Health Protection and Promotion Act, the Board of Health must elect its chair and vice chair and further typically elects members to its committees;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the first meeting for 2019 of the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts be scheduled for Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.
Information Break

November 21, 2018

This update is a tool to keep alPHa’s members apprised of the latest news in public health including provincial announcements, legislation, alPHa activities, correspondence and events.

Queen’s Park Meetings and Other Events

As a key member of the Ontario Chronic Disease Prevention Alliance, alPHa has been meeting with MPPs to raise awareness about the organization and build relationships with political representatives from all parties. Meetings have taken place with MPPs France Gelinas, Jeff Yurek (Minister of Transportation), Mike Schreiner and Daisy Wai. The alPHa Board of Directors will be meeting with Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, at its November 23rd meeting in Toronto. A request to meet with MPP Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing) has been made along with other invitations.

alPHa executive director Loretta Ryan attended the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe Stakeholder Forum on November 8. The consultation gave alPHa the opportunity to recommend to government to consider public health input as essential in future land use planning decisions.

Along with Dr. Charles Gardner, MOH, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, Ms. Ryan led mobile workshops at the Urban Land Institute Conference on November 7. The workshop, called "The New Wealth is Health: Realigning Our Cities", linked public health and the built environment, and was a result of the walking tour at the 2018 alPHa annual conference.

Consultation on Health & Physical Education Curriculum

The province is inviting members of the public to provide comments on various aspects of Ontario’s education system, including the Health & Physical Education Curriculum for elementary students (link below). In August of this year the government repealed the modernized 2015 version of the Curriculum and replaced it with an interim version from 1998 to be used during the province’s current consultation on education reform. (Please note that on the alPHa website there is a page listing current consultations. Visit this page regularly to see the latest opportunities for health unit staff and board of health members to provide feedback.)

Visit the Ontario government’s education consultation page here.
Board of Health Orientation Manual

aPHa will be releasing its updated 2018 Orientation Manual for Boards of Health before the end of the year, so stay tuned for an announcement in the coming weeks. A copy of the manual will be available to board of health members attending the February 21 BOH Section meeting, which will be an orientation for those new to the board of health and a refresher for those returning to the board following the October municipal election. Many thanks to board of health members and health unit staff who submitted their input on the manual!

Dr. Penny Sutcliffe Receives Alumni Award

Congratulations to aPHa board member Dr. Penny Sutcliffe, MCH, Public Health Sudbury & Districts, who recently received the C.P. Shah Alumni Award of Excellence on November 13. The award was presented to Dr. Sutcliffe by the Public Health Alumni Association of the Dalla Lana School of Public Health at the University of Toronto. aPHa’s executive director attended the ceremony on the 13th and posted about the event on social media (@PHAgencies).

Government News Round Up

Health Canada releases new data on cannabis use - 2018/11/19


Health Canada statement on youth and vaping usage - 2018/11/15

Ontario establishes regulations on licensing and operation of cannabis retail stores - 2018/11/14

Canada introduces legislation to reduce poverty - 2018/11/06

Canadian Chief MOHs statement on cannabis use - 2018/10/25

Chief Public Health Officer releases her 2018 report on the state of public health in Canada - 2018/10/23

Province announces new Consumption & Treatment Services model to replace previous Overdose Prevention Sites - 2018/10/22

aPHa Correspondence

Visit aPHa’s website to see letters and correspondence with stakeholders on important public health issues. The most recent letters have focused on the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario Report, the new Consumption and Treatment Services model, and the promotion of vape products. Check often as updates are made regularly to the page.
Upcoming Events - Mark your calendars!

February 21, 2019 - Winter Symposium & Section Meetings, Chestnut Conference Centre, 89 Chestnut Street, Toronto, Ontario. Includes half-day plenary (morning), and half-day COMOH Meeting and BOH Section Meeting (afternoon), and a tentatively scheduled evening reception and guest lecture (off-site at nearby location). See a flyer here.

*Note: All sessions, incl. reception, to take place on Thurs. Feb. 21


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