

# Algoma

## *Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic*

### Monthly Leadership Team Board Report – November 2022

#### **The Pulse**

Activities now slightly surpass pre-pandemic levels. In clinic traffic continues to increase. Masking is now mandatory in clinic. However, team morale remains good.

#### **Clinic Activities:**

During the months of November and December

Phone appointments: 20%

In clinic appointments: 80%

#### **Human Resources**

Kim Greenwood: contractor NP1 working (3.5 hours once a week until March 2023)

Natalie Ethier: Contractor NP2 working (1/2 day per week until March 2023)

- 2 students (1 from SC and 1 from Saskatchewan University)
- Concerns have been raised by returning NPs regarding changes to work organization (RPNs no longer rooming patients as other responsibilities have been assigned to them). This change has caused them some to be frustrated as they need to adapt to doing more things on their own. Update: Returning NPs are gradually adapting to new workflow
- Recruitment for RN vacancy will start in March 2023. The accrued funds resulting from this vacancy continue to be used to increase access to episodic appointments.
- Potential collaboration with AFS. They currently have funding for a 0.5 FTE NP for their new youth hub. They are hoping to purchase the services of an NP from us. The collaboration is still in the planning stage.

#### **Dashboard**

- Number of visits increased slightly in November to 753.
- Number of visits declined in December because of clinic closures
- Total patient panel: 2771. New target is 2800 by Feb 2023.
- Otherwise, uneventful month

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### Capital Expansion:

- We are still waiting for the MOH response regarding a potential increase to our operational funding. We did receive notice that the Primary Care Branch must reapprove our request for additional funding as there is a new government in Queens Park. Possible answer by the end of January 2023. MOH representative recommends going forward with the 50k request.
- Potential funding increase possible across primary care to address inflationary pressures.

### OHT:

- New third Chair has been selected. Formal announcement will be made at the next leadership council
- SFHT is holding their cervical cancer screening clinic this month
- CQIP work is ongoing. Submission is March 31<sup>st</sup>
- See attached Mid-Year progress report and Director monthly update

### MOH Announcements

- Nursing bonus was distributed to staff in December.

QIP: no updates

### Strategic Plan:

Initiatives/actionable items	Status
Ottawa model implementation (tobacco cessation)	<b>On hold until RN is hired</b>
Digital health initiative implementation	Implementation of e-referrals- COMPLETED Funding secured through OH to cover cost for next 2 years.- COMPLETED
Online scheduling being explored	Ongoing Funding secured through OH to cover cost for next 2 years.- COMPLETED
Website updates	ongoing, portal revamp (COMPLETED) on track
Participation in CQIP	<b>COMPLETED</b>
Total patient panel 2800 by end of Feb 2023	Currently, 2771 patients
Strategic Plan: COMMITTEE REVIEW,	Work on going
Women's health business proposal	- Draft in progress, (ON HOLD)
Community women's health appointments (goal 1 clinic per week)	- To date 1/month confirmed. <b>DISCONTINUED</b>

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Explore in-clinic phlebotomy (discussions with lifelabs)	COMPLETED
Annual Operating plan due date: AGM submission to MOH (May 27 <sup>th</sup> 2022)	<b>COMPLETED</b>
Patient advisory committee	Implementation deadline 09/2023
Education programs	Chronic pain management- <b>new cohort starting on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. - COMPLETED</b> Depression-anxiety – tentative 06/2023. Weight management- on hold