

Quality & Safety

Our homeless prevention program continues to function exceptionally well. Bridge House (formerly Willowdale) functions at capacity and takes individuals on the "by name list" in concert with the County & Situation Table. The Board will be reminded that the program now features 24/7 security, counselling for mental health and addictions, as well as supports for re-integration into the community. To date the program is proud to boast many "graduates" with 4 clients recently transitioning to full-time employment and independent living along with several others who have moved on to stage 2 housing. This is a shining example of leverage our LCMH program has to enhance services for segments of the "at risk population" in our community.

People and Partnerships

Our local OHT is still doing it's best to try to push forward it's mandate to improve care coordination. Currently one very frustrating barrier surrounds primary care access, facing many obstacles connecting "unattached" patients with primary care providers. The Ontario East region has the highest number of unattached patients in the province, and it appears that the primary care network is causing several bottlenecks and impeding work needed to get patients attached. We are working to ensure Morgan Hawn - OHT Lead - is supported in her work to ensure the OHT can deliver on it's mandate to improve access to primary care as a central issue within our region.

Finance and infrastructure

In review of the budget proposal for FY 2026/27 the board will see that the budget proposed is spot on with the 5-year projection prepared last year by Erin and her team. This should be no surprise to the board, as the level of rigor and fastidiousness that Erin has brought to our financial practices has been exemplary.

Following the excellent news of the fulfillment of the Foundation's obligation under the MRI campaign, we are working closely with the foundation to gain clarity on what capital funds will be available in the coming years. As the board is aware, the Foundation will be attempting to rebuild their reserves in the next 5 years, and I am happy to report that they have worked with the Hospital to develop a very reasonable plan to accomplish this while ensuring that funds remain available to support clinical programs. The foundation has been provided our list of clinical equipment priorities and will be working closely with them to ensure the most urgent items are purchased within the funding envelope available.



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