



**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL  
HEALTH SYSTEM INTEGRATION COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

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| Members Present: | N.K. Brar<br>C. Early<br>S. Jarrett, Designate, Co-Chair,<br>Mississauga Ontario Health Team<br>C. Fonseca<br>S. Kaur, Toronto Metropolitan<br>University<br>N. Iannicca   | M. Palleschi<br>M. Reid<br>D. Smith, Co-Chair, Central West<br>Ontario Health Team<br>A. Tedjo<br>P. Vicente  |
| Members Absent:  | S. deRyk, Chief Regional Officer,<br>Ontario Health Central and West<br>Regions  |   |
| Staff Present:   | G. Kent, Chief Administrative Officer<br>D. Valeri, Chief Financial Officer and<br>Commissioner of Corporate Services<br>P. Caza, Regional Solicitor and<br>Commissioner of Legislative Services<br>Dr. K. Bingham, Acting Medical Officer<br>of Health<br>B. Gibson, Acting Chief and Director of<br>Paramedics<br>A. Adams, Regional Clerk | B. Laundry, Director, Strategic Policy<br>and Performance<br>C. Thomson, Deputy Clerk and<br>Manager of Legislative Services<br>H. West, Committee Clerk<br>R. Khan, Legislative Technical<br>Coordinator<br>H. Gill, Legislative Technical Advisor<br>R. Cruz, Audio Visual Specialist |

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Councillor Fonseca, Committee Chair, called the Health System Integration Committee meeting to order on February 15, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chambers, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**RECOMMENDATION HSIC-1-2024**

*That the agenda for the February 15, 2024 Health System Integration Committee meeting, be approved.*

**4. DELEGATIONS**

#### 4.1 **Lindsay Wingham-Smith, Executive Director, Mississauga Ontario Health Team**

Providing an Update Regarding the Older Adults Strategy

**Received**

Lindsay Wingham-Smith, Executive Director, Mississauga Ontario Health Team (OHT), provided an overview of Integrated Care at the Mississauga OHT with a focus on the Older Adults Strategy. She highlighted the OHT approach to re-designing care delivery using data-informed planning for seniors who require acute and clinical care once discharged from hospitals; coordinated wrap-around supports leveraging a service hub model; and initiatives to address chronic disease management and social supports. Mississauga OHT is piloting a fully integrated digital navigation platform that will provide centralized navigation to clients, caregivers and care delivery partners (ie. primary care, service provider organizations, Home Care, transitional programs, and Specialist services), and a care coordination platform with a one-point contact that does not require various referrals to different services.

Members of the Committee discussed and raised questions regarding Artificial Intelligence (AI) driven processes and the digital intake navigation system; access to different services and organizations; providing social media information to Members of Council that can be shared with the community; rolling out and expanding the navigational program to other OHTs; and the care team tool that is being used for navigation and care coordination.

## 5. **REPORTS**

### 5.1 **Update on Coordinated Efforts to Support Seniors Across the Continuum of Care**

(For information)

Presentation by Donna Kern, Director, Seniors Services Development and Dr. Sudip Saha, Senior Medical Director, Long Term Care, Seniors Services Development and Community Paramedicine

**Received**

Donna Kern, Director, Seniors Services Development and Dr. Sudip Saha, Senior Medical Director, Long Term Care, Seniors Services Development and Community Paramedicine, provided an update on supports for seniors across the continuum of care in Peel Region. They highlighted changing demographics of seniors and the growing prevalence of dementia patients; pressures on services including Long Term Care homes, Adult Day Services and Paramedic Services; Peel Public Health's role in supporting healthy aging through upstream interventions; Peel's innovative approach to Dementia care; the Community Paramedicine Program; and alignment of priorities and collaboration between Ontario Health, Ontario Health Teams and Peel Region.

Members of the Committee discussed and raised questions regarding lack of access to health care due to language or cultural barriers; providing services to

seniors lacking access to primary care or home care; programs that are available in Long Term Care homes and ongoing advocacy to the provincial government for additional funding; the growing wait list for Long Term Care and the impact on other health care services; the need for a paradigm shift to place more resources into Community Care and Paramedicine programs to alleviate acute care resources; sharing best practices for person-centred care; providing Members of Council with literature that can be shared with the community regarding the value of community care; and Peel Region's participation at the International Conference on Integrated Care being held in Belfast, Northern Ireland, April 2024.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

Nil.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

**9. NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, May 16, 2024  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Council Chamber, 5th Floor  
Regional Administrative Headquarters  
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A  
Brampton, Ontario

Please forward regrets to Helena West, Committee Clerk, at [Helena.West@peelregion.ca](mailto:Helena.West@peelregion.ca).

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.