South West Hospice Palliative Care Network Update

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**HPC Collaborative Activities**

The January HPC Collaborative meetings were used to continue development of their 2 or 3 change ideas using the PDSA format. Subcommittees provided updates on the work they are doing and a comparison of the work of all 5 collaboratives was reviewed.

**Data and Performance Working Group**

The Data and Performance Working Group had a touch base meeting and brought forward the work of the acute care subgroup. The residential hospice subgroup will meet in February to develop hospice focused indicators. Long term care specific indicators will be developed in March. The SWLHIN dashboard is based on the provincial recommendations of the top six indicators and use of the RIDS (Regional Integrated Decision Support) tool continues to support the build of the indicators. We expect to have a draft dashboard available by April 2015.

**Collaborative Membership**

The list of new members recommended by the Collaboratives was brought forward at the January Leadership Committee meeting for consideration and endorsement was obtained. Please join me in welcoming Kathy Ellis, Pain and Symptom Manager to the Oxford and Elgin Collaboratives, Marnie Speck, Aboriginal Navigator and Cynthia Porter, Clinical Lead SOAHAC to the Grey Bruce Collaborative and Chantel Antone, Aboriginal Navigator CCO to the London Middlesex Collaborative.

**HPC Regional Activities**

**Education Resources and Annual Plan Review**

The education focus group met in January to continue developing the strategic plan for education. A formal plan to review current state hospice palliative care education is in place, the survey to be used has been developed and a list of providers to be surveyed representing acute care, long term care, residential hospice, primary care and community services is being finalized. Application for ethics approval at University of Western Ontario has been finalized.

**Aboriginal Perspective in Hospice Palliative Care**

L. Gardner and V. Ambtman presented the aboriginal perspective in hospice palliative care to the Leadership Committee in January. The presentation included a draft critical path and vision wheel to address how aboriginal communities will be engaged in planning the future state of hospice palliative care. A work plan will be developed and actions identified in the critical path will be implemented in order to establish the aboriginal perspective in to the future state of hospice palliative care.

**HEIA Report (Health Equity Impact Assessment)**

L. Gardner presented a draft HEIA Report to the Leadership Committee for approval identifying marginalized populations in the South West LHIN. The goal of the report is to identify and plan strategies to address how marginalized populations will be considered during the build of the hospice palliative care future state. Quarterly reporting to the Collaboratives and to the HPC Leadership Committee will be implemented.

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