

SUMMARY OF ALC DISCUSSIONS & ACTIVITIES NOVEMBER 2008

November 11, 2008

- Communique sent to all staff and physicians reporting on the Board of Directors meeting held that evening. Motions from QMS and MAC included in the communiqué along with the Board Chair's statement in response to the motions.

November 12, 2008

- Meeting held with MPP Bartolucci, NE LHIN, HRSRH and Dalron to look at creating immediate interim capacity for ALC community placement.
- Physician Taskforce issue open Letter to the Editor.
- Physician Taskforce meet with MPP Rick Bartolucci where physicians agree to include solutions as part of their focus and message to the public.

November 13, 2008

- Communique issued to all staff and physicians informing them of the Physician Taskforce Letter to the Editor and upcoming full-page ad in Sudbury Star.

November 15, 2008

- Physician Taskforce place full-page ad in the Sudbury Star highlighting ALC bed pressures.

November 16, 2008

- Senior Management and Physician Taskforce meet to share information from various discussions and meetings held over the week.

November 18, 2008

- Ontario Nurses Association Local President issues Letter to the Editor calling on the provincial government to address ALC issue in hospital.
- Meeting of the Medical Advisory Committee held where COS reports on MAC motions presented at November 11 Board meeting and CEO provides ALC progress report.

November 19, 2009

- Joint HRSRH and LHIN meeting held to discuss hospital and physician needs for ALC bed pressure relief. NE LHIN acknowledges need for transitional beds at HRSRH and shares five-point plan for enhancing community-based resources. (Minutes from meeting attached.)

November 20, 2008

- Provincial government announces approval and funding for 24 transitional beds at HRSRH.
- Memo is issued to all staff and physicians informing them of the transitional beds.
- Senior Management and Physician Taskforce meet to discuss next step strategies.

November 21, 2008

- Sudbury Star runs front-page article on in-depth interview with HRSRH orthopedic surgeons.
- Memo issued to all staff and physicians providing further details on how transitional beds will be operationalized.

November 24, 2008

- HRSRH officials meet with City Health Panel members, Mayor and City staff to discuss social and community housing strategies. Health Panel agrees to take lead on developing Sudbury housing strategies.

November 26, 2008

- Meeting held with SJHC CEO, HRSRH CEO and Physician Taskforce Lead, Dr. Zalan, to discuss CCC bed designation and funding. Service agreement between SJHC and HRSRH to operate 20 of the 32 CCC beds underway (as reported previously to Board.) Funding for the remaining 12 beds would need to be sought from the Ministry by SJHC.
- HRSRH VP Clinical Programs holds teleconference with NE LHIN CEO to discuss implementation of Wrap-Around funding.
- Physician Taskforce and NE LHIN make presentation to Sudbury Mayor and City Council. Physicians ask City Council to join in creation of broad-based Steering Group to address ALC community-resource solutions.
- Communique sent to all staff and physicians sharing the Physician Taskforce and LHIN presentations to Council.

November 27, 2008

- Dr. Wayne Lambert, HRSRH Anesthetist, issues Letter to Editor calling on NE LHIN and provincial government to address chronic ALC issue.

November 28

- HRSRH CEO to meet with NE CCAC CEO to discuss potential improvements in patient discharge process.

- Physician Taskforce to meet with MPP Rick Bartolucci.

November 29, 2008

- Sudbury Star to run an accent piece on ALC issue. Articles will feature interviews with HRSRH Board Chair, CEO and Dr. Zalan.
- HRSRH schedules special meeting of the Board to review ALC advocacy efforts and determine next-step strategies.

December 1, 2008

- Special Quarterly Medical Staff meeting to be held to report on ALC progress and action plans.