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March 2024

Ontario Lung Screening Program

St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton will begin offering Lung Cancer Screening starting April 15, 2024. As they launch the Ontario Lung Screening Program (OLSP) in the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant (HNHB) region, they are hosting a **free, one hour accredited * webinar for primary care teams.**

Learn about the lung cancer screening pathway, program eligibility and referral process, follow up pathways as well as the importance of early detection.

Learning Objectives:

- Describe the evidence for lung cancer screening for people at high risk and apply it to the Ontario context
- Identify people who should or should not be referred for lung cancer screening in the OLSP
- Outline the steps in the screening pathway for the Ontario Lung Screening Program (OLSP)



Please choose ONE of the following: * **Thursday, March 28th, 8:00-9:00 a.m. or**
* **Wednesday, April 3rd, 12:00-1:00 p.m. or**
* **Tuesday, April 9th, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

Register here: <http://tinyurl.com/4mvkh2dh>

This Group Learning program has been certified by the CFPC and the Ontario Chapter for up to 1 Mainpro+ credit.

Integrated Care Pathways: Charting a new path for Heart Failure and COPD



The February 6th Town Hall brought together health and community care providers as well as patient representatives to identify the gaps in care for Heart Failure and COPD and what improvements are needed.

we have retained a consultant and hosted two Town Hall meetings. The goal was to design an ideal integrated care pathway for COPD and HF patients in Burlington and Hamilton. The first event was held on February 6th. Health and community care providers and patient representatives from Burlington and Hamilton gathered to share experiences about the current state of care for COPD and HF patients, gaps, and how they can be improved.

February 28 Town Hall

The same audience was invited to the second Town Hall on February 28th. This one focused on co-designing an ideal future pathway: how to restructure and redesign the current system to deliver more effective care. An engaged session resulted in recommendations that included a centralized platform for resources (diagnosis and management) and referrals, centralized navigation hub, intake model, as well as standardized diagnosing and assessment tools.

What did we learn?

We learned that many programs currently exist in the community to serve individuals living with COPD and HF. However, these programs remain siloed and awareness is equally challenging for providers and patients. An area for improvement identified by numerous participants is standardized care that is based on updated, evidence-based, quality standards. The lack of coordination across various providers and care settings was another gap that was identified. *(continued on page 3)*

As one of the 12 Ontario Health Teams selected by the Ministry of Health for acceleration to designation, one of the Burlington OHT's new strategic priorities is to co-design and implement new integrated care pathways for Heart Failure (HF) and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD). We're excited to provide an update on our progress to date with this new work.

February 6 Town Hall

Through a collaboration with the Greater Hamilton Health Network

Integrated Care Pathways (cont'd)

We're grateful for the active engagement of the Town Hall participants that will help contribute to enhanced care pathways for HF and COPD patients. Work is now underway to prepare a report with final recommendations.

We'll look forward to keeping you informed of further progress as details are available.

Health and community care providers assembled again on February 28th to co-design and improve the care pathways for Heart Failure and COPD.



One Stop Talk

The Reach Out Centre for Kids (ROCK) continues to promote the One Stop Talk program that provides children and youth up to 17 years of age who are located in Ontario immediate access to free mental health support. Services are provided through an integrated network of infant, child and youth mental health agencies across Ontario.

For more information: <https://rockonline.ca/>

Clinician 1-pager and other materials : <https://tinyurl.com/ywjvescv>

See Page 4 for Physician Access to Child and Youth Mental Health Services in Halton



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