

TRANSITION TEAM WEEKLY PROJECT UPDATE

Week of March 27, 2017

This weekly update will provide ongoing information related to the project work underway to transition the health system to one single Provincial Health Authority (PHA). On occasion this update will include information about work tied to health system restructuring, but not directly related to the transition team functions. A date for the creation of the new PHA is still to be determined, but is currently anticipated for fall 2017.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The transition team has been actively seeking physician co-leadership and participation in its work and is pleased to announce two physicians have agreed to join the team.
 - Dr. Bruce Murray is a pathologist in North Battleford and the Senior Medical Officer for Prairie North Health Region.
 - Dr. Kevin Wasko is a family physician in Swift Current, President of the Cypress Regional Medical Association and has served on several committees of the Saskatchewan Medical Association.
- Dr. Murray and Dr. Wasko will join the team in early April, and will each work half time with the transition team (sharing one full-time position).
- Their work will directly align with two work streams (Clinical Services and Governance) and they will lead work in the areas of bylaws, clinical and operational governance, the academic mandate, and involving the community of physicians across the province in all aspects of transition work.

ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY:

- eHealth's IT transition task teams took part in two days of planning on March 22 and 23. Teams reported on the work undertaken to date and collaborated on recommendations for the future transition of IT services to support the new Provincial Health Authority. A status report of the IT transition task teams' work will be provided on March 31.
- The transition team met with Senior Medical Officers on March 22. This group of physician leaders will act as an advisory group to provide input to transition planning. Other existing physician forums will also be leveraged to provide feedback throughout planning work.
- A Corporate Services work stream kick off WebEx meeting was held on March 23 with leaders from 11 corporate service lines from across the health system. These service lines will be sharing current processes and functions to understand the current state across RHAs, and identifying critical administrative and operational requirements and opportunities for alignment to support day one of operations in a new Provincial Health Authority.

MORE INFORMATION:

- As work progresses, the transition team is committed to keeping you informed with regular updates.
- Visit www.saskatchewan.ca/transforming-health to learn more.