

“Hub”ubaloo:

Definition: A big excitement or commotion caused by a source of awesomeness to the highest extent! (urban dictionary)

Muskoka Community Health Hubs Update

June 10, 2015 Edition:

“Let Wellness In”

The Wahta sites’ slogan highlights the Community Health Hubs’ focus on illness prevention and maintaining wellness. The Community Health Hub approach to wellness is very complimentary to the traditional medical model that focuses on illness management.

WHAT CAN THE COMMUNITY EXPECT FROM A VISIT TO THE HEALTH HUB?

Visit our website at: www.muskokahealthlink.ca to learn more about:

- What is a “Health Hub”?
- What is a Nurse Practitioner’s Scope of Practice?
- Who can use the Health Hub?
- What are the hours of operation?
- Examples of Services You can Access at the Health Hubs:

Wahta Site:

Building on the Wahta site’s commitment to “Let Wellness In”, the approach for care planning is centred around the needs of the individual.

The site is open and all are welcome!



HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday 9 – 4
Tuesday 9 – 4
Wednesday 1 – 7
Thursday 9 – 4
Friday 9 – 12

Closed Statutory and Holidays

**All of Muskoka is welcome.
Seasonal visitors are welcome.**

Location: 2350 Muskoka Rd. 38, in the community of Wahta.

Telephone: 705-762-1274



Port Carling Site:

- Recruitment is underway to find a Nurse Practitioner to support the needs of the community. Next steps will be to interview for the Administrative Assistant position and finalize preparations for opening the temporary site. **We look forward to introducing you to the Port Carling site team soon!**
- The project is on schedule and progressing as expected.

Dorset Site:

- The roof is on the Muskoka Community Health Hub: Dorset site, and windows and doors go in next week. Dorset successfully secured a grant from the Haliburton County Development Corporation for \$3,000.00 for the building.
- The 1000 Canoes fundraiser and the Henderson 500 Miles fundraiser raised a combined \$18,000.00 The Dorset community said good-bye to the original Health Hub champion, Herb Hickling last weekend. Herb worked tirelessly on this project for the last four years of his life. Collin Reaney has picked up the lead for the project and is doing an amazing job of filling Herb’s big shoes!
- The Dorset site is hosting an ‘Open House’ on June 13th, in combination with the SS Bigwin Community Picnic at the Dorset Public Dock. A BBQ and free cruises on the SS Bigwin will be offered from 10 to 2, and tours through the Health Hub will be available.



Other Committee News:

- **Mobile Unit Planning:** The Muskoka Community Health Hub Implementation Committee recognizes how important the mobile unit will be to smaller communities across rural Muskoka and are eager to have these valuable health care services available as soon as possible. The Committee is investing important time at the front end to design a mobile service that will be sustainable and successful.
- **Port Severn Service Planning:** The Implementation Committee is working with officials in Georgian Bay Township with a target to launch part-time Health Hub services in Port Severn later this summer.
- **Service Level Agreements:** Agreements between the Family Health Teams and the Municipalities / Band Councils are in the final phase of development.
- **Equipment, furniture and supplies:** Quotes from suppliers for furniture, medical equipment, supplies, pharmaceuticals, and technology are being sourced. Thank you to each community for generous offers to help fundraise for many of these important resources and support the project’s limited operations budget. We look forward to confirming needs in the coming weeks and then working together with you to make sure each community has the equipment and supplies they need.

More about the Muskoka Community Health Hub Model:

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) has funded a new model of primary care delivery in Muskoka through this investment in Community Health Hubs. The creation of rural health hubs will encourage and enable local health care and social service providers such as hospitals, health centres, family health care teams (physicians and nurse practitioners) in rural communities to work together to create a rural health hub tailored to their local community’s needs in a way that enhances seamless, sustainable service integration and the effective delivery of person-centred, equitable, high-quality, timely health care, whether it is delivered locally or referred to a regional partner. To learn more about the rural health hubs visit:

[http://www.oha.com/AboutUs/Membership/BecomeaMember/Documents/Rural%20Health%20Hub%20Framework Ontario FNL.pdf](http://www.oha.com/AboutUs/Membership/BecomeaMember/Documents/Rural%20Health%20Hub%20Framework%20Ontario%20FNL.pdf)

The Muskoka Community Health Hubs Implementation Committee is comprised of the Algonquin Family Health Team, Cottage Country Family Health Team, North Muskoka Nurse Practitioner Led-Clinic and the District Municipality of Muskoka.

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