

“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

September 11, 2015 Edition

It has been a busy summer and hard to believe the kids are back in school! We hope that each of you enjoyed some time to play and relax in Muskoka. There has been a lot of progress made on all aspects of the project and we are pleased to share them with you in this latest edition of the Hububaloo.

Health Hub Site Updates

Dorset Site:



THANK YOU!

Thank you to the generous contractors who have been graciously donating their time and skills to this project (when they could find any time) during their peak business season!

- Construction has progressed over the hectic summer months and the Dorset Health Hub Site is expected to open in early October.
- Algonquin Family Health Team has completed recruitment for the Dorset Nurse Practitioner and Administrative Assistant who are starting in late September! Stay tuned for a staff announcement.
- The implementation committee is finalizing hours of operation and contact information for patients looking to book appointments at the Hub. Look for marketing materials to appear in the community later this month.

In the News!



Port Carling Site:

Foundation of Permanent Port Carling Health Hub Site Taking Shape!



A working group with representatives from Cottage Country Family Health Team, the Township of Muskoka Lakes and Community partners will meet later this month to begin work on drafting Service Level Agreements. All look forward to opening of the permanent Hub site at the Brock and Willa Wellness Centre in Port Carling in the Spring of 2016.

UPDATE ON TEMPORARY SERVICES

The Health Hub Implementation committee announced revised implementation plans for the Port Carling Health Hub site, which no longer includes a temporary location at the Port Carling Library which was initially scheduled to open in August.

The change was necessary in order to comply with all applicable legislation and standards that govern the delivery of primary care to patients.

Instead, primary care for residents of Port Carling and surrounding area will be temporarily provided at the Wahta Health Hub site until construction of the permanent location for the Port Carling Hub is completed in the spring of 2016.

Please call **705-394-8535** to make an appointment with the Port Carling Health Hub staff at the Wahta temporary location.

Staff for the permanent Port Carling Site have been hired and are ready to begin providing care to residents of Port Carling and surrounding areas temporarily out of the Wahta Hub Site location!

Port Carling Nurse Practitioner

(Appointments at Wahta Site):

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

705-394-8535

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

Wahta Site:

SEPTEMBER 2015

HOURS OF OPERATION:

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

Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays

Location:

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

Telephone: 705-762-1274

- The Electronic Medical Records, previously hosted through West Parry Sound Health Centre, have been successfully migrated to Cottage Country Family Health Team’s (CCFHT) server. This represents the final step in the process for full integration of the Wahta Health Hub within CCFHT.
- Dana and Misty are gearing up for extending their services to the community of Port Severn one day a week starting in early October.



Port Severn – Satellite Location

- The Health Hub Implementation Committee continues to plan services for the Port Severn community.



- The Satellite Site is currently being renovated to accommodate primary care delivery being offered starting on October 5th, 2015. Dana Strenth, the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner from the Wahta Health Hub, will work in Port Severn every Monday (except holidays) from 9 – 4.

- Book your appointment for October in Port Severn by calling today!

705-762-1274



Other Committee News:

- **Mobile Unit Planning:** The Implementation Committee has met to discuss locations and priority service needs for the mobile service, as well as considerations for indoor heated parking, scheduling systems and other elements of the service delivery model. Municipalities will be contacted in the coming weeks to discuss potential host sites for the Mobile Unit and develop Service Level Agreements. The committee is moving forward with a Request for Tenders for the purchase of the vehicle and a Nurse Practitioner for the mobile unit has been hired to start September 21st to help the committee finalize the service delivery model.
- **Information Technology:** The implementation committee continues to work with Telus to coordinate the installation of EMR software and IT support for each of the Health Hub sites.
- **Service Level Agreements** Service Level Agreements with the Township of Georgian Bay and the Township of Lake of Bays will go to municipal council for approval in September in advance of the Dorset and Port Severn location openings on October 5th, 2015.
- **Hubapalooza!** Planning continues for very special event across the District this fall to officially launch the project and celebrate the hard work and generosity of all of our community partners. **Stay tuned for a “save the date”.**

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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