

South East LHIN Welcomes new HPAC Co-Chair

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The South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) is pleased to announce the nomination of John Hope as the new Health Professionals Advisory Committee's (HPAC) Co-Chair. Hope has been an official member of the committee since February 2008 and becomes Dr. Barry Guppy successor in the Co-Chair role.

The HPAC is a multi-disciplinary committee of the South East LHIN that provides advice on how to achieve patient-centered health care and assisting the LHIN carrying out its mandate. The experience and knowledge that the Committee members – as front line care providers – convey to the LHIN is crucial to achieve the vision of healthcare in Ontario. The LHIN's main areas of focus are:

- Health status of the population
- Innovative approaches to health service delivery
- Utilization of health human resources
- Other matters that are consistent with the objectives of the LHIN
- Other areas the LHIN considers appropriate and specifies to the committee

As an experienced physiotherapist with an expanded role in the joint arthroplasty clinics at the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston, Hope's work is representative of the LHIN core values for consultation and collaboration between health care stakeholders. His current position offers an innovative approach to help reduce wait-times for patients waiting for total hip and knee joint replacement surgery in collaboration with researchers at Queen's University's Department of Surgery, the School of Rehabilitation Therapy, and the Hotel Dieu Hospital.

This appointment was influenced by Hope's continued and valued participation and advice in both the HPAC and the community. Joining Kelly Baker, Mr. Hope will be co-chairing the next HPAC meeting on December 11, 2013.

For more information on the Committee or to submit an Expression of Interests, please visit our website and follow the links to the committee page under 'Board of Directors.'

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"The commitment of knowledgeable and proactive health care providers, such as John, is a key factor in the success of the HAPC and its ongoing efforts to achieve long-term outcomes for health care in the South East. "

- Paul Huras, CEO, South East LHIN

“It is with privilege I accept the nomination into the role of co-chair with the Health Professionals Advisory Committee. I look forward to continue the opportunity to collaborated with the South East LHIN and to provide the practitioner insight required to both develop and implement integrated and timely health care within a regional network that is responsive to the needs of the South East community.”

- John Hope, Advanced Practice Physiotherapist, HPAC Co-Chair

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