



Council Report

Report Number:	EMS2021-001
Meeting Date:	February 23, 2021
Title:	Community Integration Data and Network Sharing Agreements
Description:	An agreement for data and information sharing between the Central East Local Health Integration Network (CELHIN) and Paramedic Service
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Recommendation(s):

That the Community Integration Data Sharing Agreement and the Community Integration Information Management and Network Services Agreement, attached to Report EMS2021-001 as Appendices A and B respectively, be received and approved; and

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any documents and agreements required by the approval of these agreements.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

At the Council Meeting of March 10, 2020, Council adopted the following resolution:

CW2020-041 Moved by Councillor Dunn Seconded by Councillor Richardson

That the presentation by Sara Johnston, Deputy Chief, Quality Assurance, and Julie Milne, Community Paramedic, regarding the Community Paramedicine Pilot Project, be received. Carried

In March, 2020, Council approved to financially support the extension of the Community Paramedic Program, initially funded by the Central East Local Health Integration Network (CELHIN). This report, and attached agreements, addresses this direction to improve information sharing between the CELHIN and Paramedic Services.

This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

Current program documents are being sent and received by email. Given that email is not the most secure method of sending personal health information, implementing E-Referral is the preferred method. This involves the signing of a Community Integration Data Sharing Agreement, appended to this report as Appendix A, and a Community Integration Information Management and Network Services Agreement with Ontario Health, appended to this report as Appendix B. This would permit the secure transmission of referrals through the 'Health Partner Gateway (HPG)'.

Other Alternatives Considered:

N/A

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

Good Government - Adhering to safe and confidential sharing of documents

An Exceptional Quality of Life – It is the goal of Kawartha Lakes Paramedic Service to foster community services and programs that value improving access to care in the community, improving coordination of care, and effectively navigating health system resources. Further we want to support and strengthen collaborations and partnerships that can prevent hospitalization and improve the patient experience as people transition from the hospital back to the community.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

N/A

Servicing Implications:

N/A

Consultations:

For internal consultations – Mayor and Clerk (per Signing Authority By-law 2016-009).

For Federal or Provincial – Central East LHIN

Attachments:

Appendix A – Community Integration Data Sharing Agreement



Adobe Acrobat
Document

Appendix B – Community Integration Information Management and Network Services Agreement



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