

Sub-region Integration Table – Grey Bruce Meeting Highlights – Tuesday March 6, 2018

The Grey-Bruce Sub-region Integration Table held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the South West LHIN Owen Sound office.

Meeting Highlights

- The meeting focused on the table's priority, *Improve knowledge and utilizations/embedding of programs and services that support prevention and management of chronic conditions* using COPD as a starting point
- Through a facilitated discussion, members mapped out the journey of a COPD patient in the Grey Bruce Sub-region from the provider perspective. The group created a high level map from prevention to risk reduction to early diagnosis, self-management and acute care.
- To date, the table members have identified several high level opportunities for improvement:
 - the need to address the social determinants of health that influence the development of COPD
 - smoking is the primary risk factor for the development of COPD
 - some populations are more vulnerable to the risk factors for COPD
 - lack of timely access for COPD diagnosis opportunities for improvement were identified around timely diagnosis of COPD
 - creation or improvement of care pathways/algorithms for use in ER when a person presents with acute exacerbation of COPD
 - lack of knowledge/access to self-management programs/skills
- Members committed to gather and share information and awareness regarding services that would support people with COPD.
- Table Members recognized that the mapping exercise was primarily from a provider perspective with great insight from its patient partner. Future planning will include experienced based design work with patients
- During the April meeting the table members will continue to refine the COPD journey in Grey Bruce

The Next Grey Bruce Sub-region Integration Table meeting:
April 3, 2018 1-4 pm, South West LHIN 1415 1st Ave W, Owen Sound

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