

Congratulations — WHAT A JOURNEY IT'S BEEN!

Dear ConnectingOntario NER Stakeholders,

As the ConnectingOntario Northern and Eastern Region (NER) journey comes to a close for The Ottawa Hospital (TOH) as the Program and Champlain Service Delivery Partner, I find myself reflecting on all of the work we have accomplished together. Through our collective efforts and the commitment of numerous key stakeholders, we have taken great steps forward that are improving, and will continue to improve, the patient care experience across the province of Ontario.

Since the program's inception:

- We have played a critical role in supporting hospitals and LHIN — Home and Community Care sites in contributing their patient health information to the provincial clinical data repository.
- With the guidance of our committees and working groups, we have ensured the privacy and security of Ontarians' health information.
- We have enrolled 25,432 clinicians, and counting, from across the continuum of care, giving them timely access to vital patient data through the ClinicalViewer. With access to this information, clinicians can make more efficient and informed decisions, ultimately allowing them to provide better care for their patients.

These remarkable accomplishments could only be achieved by a group of dedicated individuals. We should be incredibly proud of the progress we have made together towards providing better patient care, through creating a more "Connected" Ontario.

Sincerely,



Shafique Shamji

Executive Lead, ConnectingOntario NER and Executive Vice President
and Chief Information Officer, TOH

PASSING THE TORCH

As many of NER's stakeholders are aware, May 31, 2018 represents the last day for TOH as the ConnectingOntario NER Program Delivery Partner (PDP). A great deal of work has taken place these past few months to ensure the smooth transition of all remaining activities from the PDP to eHealth Ontario for their ongoing management and support.

Going forward, the ConnectingOntario program will continue across the region with more and more sites getting access to the viewer. Should stakeholders require any additional information regarding the program, please contact eHealth Ontario using the following contact information:

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EARLY INSIGHTS FROM CLINICIANS ACCESSING THE VIEWER



"The viewer is going to positively shape the pharmacy practice and add efficiencies to the entire healthcare system."

Steven Fisher, Pharmacy Owner, Vanier Pharmacy



"It was very rewarding to treat my first patient using the ClinicalViewer and discover information that changed my management approach to the patient's care."

Dr. Thérèse Hodgson, Family Physician



"For what I need it for in long term care, it's wonderful."

Shelley Kitts, Charge Nurse LTC, St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre



"I like that I can customize the "Patient Care" tab to show lab results and medications."

Dr. Christopher Rae, Lanark County Mental Health



"The viewer will allow us to improve efficiencies and focus more clearly on the issues at hand."

Michelle Maynard RRT, CRE, Lung Health Program Manager, Somerset West Community Health Centre



"The ConnectingOntario ClinicalViewer is desperately needed in the First Nations community."

Elizabeth Howe, Community Health Nurse, Constance Lake First Nation



"Instant access to laboratory results and medication information will help expedite appropriate care."

Joanne Soucie, Director of Health Services, Wabano Centre for Aboriginal Health



"The viewer will allow timely access to health information that will support the NE LHIN's Care Coordinators, Therapy Staff and Nurses in developing patient centered care plans that will help support patients throughout the continuum of care."

Amy Mangone, Manager, Care Coordination, North East

To hear additional testimonials from NER clinicians using the viewer, [click here!](#)

ConnectingOntario NER's SUCCESS



50 hospitals and 4 LHIN-HCCs are contributing patient data to the CDR, with the remaining 10 hospitals targeted for contribution over the coming months

Ease of access with single sign-on provided for all hospitals and LHIN-HCC sites



Sectors with Enrolled Users



Total
Enrolled Users
25,432
Registered Users
47,055