#### LHIN4 DEMENTIA NETWORK

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

## **Purpose:**

To further develop an integrated system of care which includes service delivery, education, advocacy and research, for persons with dementia and their care partners.

### Goals:

- Develop a more coordinated system of assessment and diagnosis focusing on early diagnosis and intervention
- Develop a clear path through the continuum of care by identifying issues and gaps in service provision and facilitating processes for change
- Support coordination and development of educational and information services in dementia for clients, care partners, physicians and service agencies.
- Develop coordinated research efforts into dementia and associated problems
- · Provide a coordinated focus on public policy issues
- Establish a strong presence within the LHIN as the leader in dementia care
- · Collaborate with the Geriatric Access and Integration Network (GAIN)
- · Link and collaborate with other sectors/networks as appropriate
- · Advocate for regional needs and when relevant, for local needs

## **Accountability:**

The Dementia Network is accountable to its membership.

## **Membership:**

Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes and Services for Seniors

Ontario Long Term Care Association

HNHB LHIN Senior Manager

**HNHB LHIN Community Support Services Network** 

**HNHB** Community Care Access Centre

CAMH

Complex Continuing Care

Acute care

Regional Geriatric Program Central

**OPAAD** 

Family Physician/Specialist (2)

Representative from GAIN

Geriatric Mental Health Outreach Programs

Retirement Homes)

Behavioural Assessment Units

University; Research focus

Community College

Dementia Network of Haldimand Norfolk

Dementia Network of Niagara

Dementia Network of Brant

Dementia Network of Hamilton

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Dementia Network of Mississauga Halton Alzheimer Society: at least 2

**PRC** 

Care Partners (2)

Others as appropriate

(When members are representing an organization, it is the responsibility of the member to consult with their respective constituency)

# **Terms of Membership:**

Two year, renewable

## **Frequency of Meetings:**

Quarterly

# **Decision Making:**

Decisions are the collective responsibility of all the members and the preferred method will be through a consensus process. A decision will be decided by a vote of 50% + 1 of the quorum in attendance

### **Ouorum:**

Representatives from each of the 5 regions must be present before a vote can take place. The regions being: Haldimand Norfolk, Brant, Hamilton, Burlington, Niagara

#### Chair/Co-Chairs:

The Term of Office will be for two years. Co-chairs to be leaders in dementia care from the community and a physician champion. Community co-chair will provide the administrative support to the Network.

## **Location of Meetings:**

The location of meetings will be determined by the membership.

## Other:

The HNHB LHIN Dementia Network may create task forces or ad hoc committees from time to time.