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Adoption Activities

Health Service Providers (HSPs) with go-live dates of April 2019 or sooner are currently completing their planned adoption activities. Additional HSP sites will receive access to the ConnectingOntario ClinicalViewer over the spring/summer of 2019.

The NorWest Community Health Centre clinicians in Longlac now have access to the ClinicalViewer. Additional clinicians have been identified for access due to their ability to now view lab results for clients in Geraldton.

The Thunder Bay District Health Unit (TBDHU) continues to move their onboarding ConnectingOntario initiatives forward to address their internal privacy and security gaps for compliance. Policy development for both privacy and security is expected to be complete soon.

The St. Joseph Care Group Long-Term Care (SJCG LTC) facilities; Bethammi and Hogarth Riverview Manor, are providing training/registering their local registration authority (LRA) and a letter of attestation will be completed to address security requirements at these two long-term care (LTC) locations over the next two months.

Waasegiizhig Nanaandawe'iyewigamig Aboriginal Health Access Centre (AHAC) have completed their LRA activities and passed their privacy assessment. They continue to work towards getting their security compliance.

Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre (AHAC) has recently submitted their readiness assessment form, their organizational set up form, and is working on the privacy readiness assessment. Their LRA has been connected with eHealth Ontario for training, and has also been connected with eHealth for security officer training.

Pioneer Ridge LTC has submitted their completed client information form (CIF) and is presently awaiting approval from eHealth Ontario for their legal agreements for execution. A site readiness assessment is being completed with the City of Thunder Bay Home for the Aged staff who is actively involved. Privacy and security requirements will commence later this April. The site of Pioneer Ridge LTC is anxious to gain access to patient data in the ConnectingOntario ClinicalViewer not currently available to their clinicians.

Geraldton District Hopsital LTC will be live with the ClinicalViewer on April 15, 2019. They are currently completing their last adoption steps in conjunction with PointClickCare and eHealth Ontario.

Wilkes Terrace Long Term Care in Terrace Bay has submitted their letter of attestation and is working on their readiness assessment form.

Mary Berglund CHC Hub in Ignace is almost live with ConnectingOntario as we are working through the last of the adoption and implementation steps, such as the go live checklist.

The District of Kenora Homes for the Aged is presently working on their client information form (CIF).

Riverside Health Care Facilities is deciding how they would like to access the ClinicalViewer (via PointClickCare or OneID), and has submitted their CIF.

Long-term care (LTC) facilities co-located within hospital sites in Atikokan, Nipigon, and Manitouwadge have requested SSO for their clinicians. Privacy/security activities are required via a letter of attestation which will be forwarded to their individual HSP sites for execution soon. These additional LTC facilities are targeted for view-only adoption in order to improve patient care.

Major Milestone for Patients in our Region

March 21, 2019 A major milestone towards providing province-wide access to digital health services and improving quality health care for Ontarians has been achieved as clinicians across the Northwest region now have a detailed digital view of patient's health information and their journey through the health care system via eHealth Ontario's ConnectingOntario ClinicalViewer, a secure, web-based portal that provides real-time access to digital health records.

Sioux Lookout's Meno-Ya-Win Health Centre in the North West Local Health Integration Network is the most recent hospital to contribute to eHealth Ontario's Acute and Community Care Clinical Data Repository (acCDR) that gives health care providers access to patient information from hospitals and community care organizations across Ontario. This means that all hospitals across Northwestern Ontario are now live and contributing data.

As a result, authorized health care providers now have access to relevant and reliable patient data from multiple hospitals and community organizations across the continuum of care. This includes information on patients' hospital visits, emergency room reports, consultation reports and discharge summaries—enabling them to make faster, more informed care decisions.

For patients, this means a reduction in the number of times they have to recount their health story as they get transferred between health care providers and organizations, reducing duplication of tests and/or health investigations, and the time it takes for health information to be shared across care teams. In addition, clinicians can reference patient information including publicly funded dispensed medications and narcotics, lab results and diagnostic images and reports, via the ConnectingOntario viewer.