



Board of Health Meeting November 28, 2024

Summary

MOH/CEO Evaluation

The MOH/CEO performance evaluation is being circulated to board members and direct reports to complete the appraisal process for 2024.

Strengthening Public Health

A motion was passed by the Board of Health asking municipalities to reappoint existing Board of Health members to the LGLDHU Board of Health in 2025 until the merger is approved.

Respiratory Season

We are gearing up for the fall/winter respiratory season. We had a rise in COVID-19 in the summer that seems to have fallen somewhat, though we continue to have steady transmission. [Public Health Ontario's Respiratory Dashboard](#) has a wealth of information.

There is a new highly effective treatment to prevent RSV for all newborns. Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) infection is a major cause of hospitalizations and morbidity among children, and risk is particularly high for premature infants. This new treatment for newborns has been shown to reduce hospital admission from RSV by 80%. The health unit's role is to distribute the product, coordinate access, and support healthcare providers in administering the product. Access will primarily be through primary care and hospitals, and the health unit will be administering for infants/families without a primary care provider or who didn't receive in hospital.