



# e-Update – March 20, 2009

## Keeping You Informed

*e-Update* is a communication tool developed to keep stakeholders aware of e-Health initiatives that involve health care service providers from across the Central East LHIN.

Health service providers are encouraged to share this *e-Update* with their boards, staff, physicians and volunteers.

To see more information on e-Health in the Central East LHIN, please visit [www.centrleastlhin.on.ca](http://www.centrleastlhin.on.ca) and click on Resource Documents/Planning.

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## Transforming Health Care Electronically



**Better e-Health → Better Health**  
**Central East**  
**Local Health Integration Network**  
**e-Health Strategic Plan**

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The hospitals of the CE LHIN have developed a vision to share a single health information system (HIS) designed to automate administrative and clinical functions and enable the sharing of patient health information across the continuum of care.

Hospitals collaborating to share a health information system (HIS) support Ontario's e-Health integration strategy, and impact and enable all four of CE LHIN *e-Health Strategic Plan* strategies:

- Give patients/clients options for self care
- Support health care providers
- Build the electronic health record
- Standardize and integrate systems

Currently, six hospitals are using MEDITECH but they are different versions. Three hospitals are using applications other than MEDITECH's to support their delivery of patient care.

To get to a single HIS, all facilities need to use the same application. After careful consideration, the hospitals collectively decided that MEDITECH's version 6.0 is their choice. In preparation, standards teams, with representatives from each of the nine hospitals, will work to define how we code and enter data into each of the core MEDITECH modules and, when appropriate, make recommendations to improve business processes and workflow.

Three of the standards teams have already begun and the rest will get underway over the next months. The modules being worked on by the standards teams will make up the core of the consolidated health information system and comprise a single Enterprise Medical Record or (EMR).

# HIS Consolidation Standards Teams



## Oversight and Arbitration Committee

The Oversight and Arbitration Committee reports to the project's governance representatives. The Committee reviews and approves workflow, business processes, clinical transformation, standardization, change management approaches and policies developed by all teams. When teams have issues that can not be resolved, the Oversight and Arbitration Committee will develop solutions.

## HIS / EMR Integration Team

Our HIS / EMR Integration (EMRI) Team met for the first time at the beginning of March. They will continue to meet once a week to review the work of all standards teams and ensure the EMR modules are well constructed, work is being completed and published, cross-team communication is occurring, and issues are managed.

### HIS / EMR Team Members

Name	Title	Organization
<i>Leslie Gifford Cook</i>	Applications Manager	Peterborough Regional Health Centre
<i>Alison Mahony</i>	Clinical Informatics Lead	Peterborough Regional Health Centre
<i>Lynn Tkac</i>	Project Manager, Clinical Informatics	Rouge Valley Health System
<i>Sharon MacSween</i>	Manager Admin & Financial Applications	The Scarborough Hospital
<i>Jeanie Wright</i>	Director, Information Technology	Whitby Mental Health Centre
<i>George Bray</i>	Manager PMO	Lakeridge Health
<i>Janice Hardy</i>	Chief Nursing Executive	Haliburton Highlands Health Services
<i>Shelley Miles</i>	Manager Applications, Services	Ross Memorial Hospital

## MIS / Universe Standards Team

Our Management Information System (MIS) /Universe Standards Team began their collaboration as soon as some of their members returned from MEDITECH training in Boston (the location of MEDITECH headquarters). The team met on February 24 at Whitby Mental Health Centre to begin the work of standardizing the MIS /Universe MEDITECH modules.

The team meets each Tuesday and Wednesday for two months and then as and when needed to ensure standards are maintained.

### MIS/US Team Members

Name	Title	Organization
<i>Greg Charlton</i>	IT Specialist	Haliburton Highlands Health Services
<i>Cathy Gushulak</i>	Applications Consultant	Lakeridge Health
<i>Shanna Harrison</i>	Applications Consultant	Lakeridge Health
<i>Leslie Gifford Cook</i>	Applications Manager	Peterborough Regional Health Centre
<i>Kenneth Tam</i>	Systems Analyst	Peterborough Regional Health Centre
<i>Alison Mahony</i>	Clinical Informatics Lead	Peterborough Regional Health Centre
<i>Shelley Miles</i>	Manager Application Services	Ross Memorial Hospital
<i>Anne Cox</i>	Application Integration Specialist	Ross Memorial Hospital
<i>Diana Van Alstine</i>	Application Analyst, OE,PCI, NMI	Rouge Valley Health System
<i>Kent Simpson</i>	Technical Support Analyst	Rouge Valley Health System
<i>John Haydock</i>	Manager, Technical Services	Rouge Valley Health System
<i>Gary Lam</i>	Application Analyst	The Scarborough Hospital
<i>Liz Cameron</i>	Application Analyst	The Scarborough Hospital
<i>Jeanie Wright</i>	Director, Information Technology	Whitby Mental Health Centre
<i>Ricardo Thomas</i>	Business Analyst	Whitby Mental Health Centre
<i>Donna Foster</i>	Manager, Clinical Informatics	Whitby Mental Health Centre
<i>Kimberly Walker</i>	IT Lead / Project Manager	Whitby Mental Health Centre

## **General Ledger/Fixed Assets Standards Team**

The team got to work this week. They will continue meeting two days a week for two months to establish standards for the General Ledger and Fixed Assets MEDITECH MODULES.

## **Health Information Management (HIM) Standards Team**

When this team begins their work, they will develop and maintain standards for the Admitting (ADM), Medical Records (MRI) and Abstracting (ABS), Scanning and Archiving (SCA), and Risk Management Modules.

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## **Whitby MEDITECH 6.0 - Soon!**

Whitby Mental Health Centre (WMHC) will be the first to "go live" this fall with MEDITECH 6.0. The implementation, under the direction of Jeanie Wright, Information Technology (IT) Director and Kimberly Walker, Project Manager, is being supported by the hard work of the standards teams.



**Whitby Mental Health Centre**

## **Upcoming Events**

**March 23**                      **Advanced Clinicals Day – MEDITECH 6.0 Overview**  
**Whitby Auditorium**      **8:00 am – 12:00 noon**

Whitby is presenting a half day orientation to provide clinicians, frontline staff, managers and community members with an overview of the MEDITECH 6.0 system and how it will transform the Whitby Mental Health Centre and eventually the consolidated single EMR. See the next pages for details.