

## Haliburton Kawartha Northumberland Peterborough Board of Health Meeting Summary

*Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2025. | Time: 5 p.m.*

*The Haliburton Kawartha Northumberland Peterborough Board of Health Meeting was called to order at 5 p.m.*

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### Medical Officer of Health Updates

Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health and CEO for Haliburton Kawartha Northumberland Peterborough (HKNP) Health Unit provided an update on measles throughout the region with one case in Peterborough City and one in the City of Kawartha Lakes. Wildfire evacuation efforts continue from First Nations communities threatened by wildfires in Northwestern Ontario by mobilizing supports and other health needs, and supporting Hiawatha First Nation who has taken a strong health lead role. The Management Team held their first meeting on June 4th with a common purpose of alignment moving forward. The Senior Leadership Team has started team development activities to work together effectively and continue to move merger work forward with the Transformation Team.

### Report: Stewardship Committee – 2024 Draft Audited Financial Statement

The Board of Health approved the Stewardship Committee Draft 2024 Audited Financial Statements.

### Report: Measles Update

Dr. Natalie Bocking, Deputy Medical Officer of Health, provided an update on the measles case. Provincially data is being released, and we've seen over 2,000 cases in 2025, and this is more cases that we have seen in decades. Vast majority associated with an outbreak in Southwestern Ontario; small amounts related to travel and sporadic cases where pick up location is unknown. Unvaccinated cases remain at around 94% and over 140 hospital admissions and continue to increase with youth and infants. There are currently 19 health units impacted from the outbreak in Southwestern Ontario. Two confirmed cases in Peterborough City that are sporadic and one in the City of Kawartha Lakes related to an exposure. These cases have been 'breakthrough cases' where vaccinated individuals are acquiring measles – remember that the vaccine is not 100 per cent effective. When the health unit is informed of a potential measles case, we work to identify exposure and who is at highest risk and our second priority is to prevent the spread of the virus and focus on exposure locations and who is susceptible and offer vaccination.

### Presentation: Merger Update

Larry Stinson, Director of Finance, Facilities and Information Technology and Chief Transformation Officer reviewed the organization's *Merger Map* demonstrating key milestones that the health unit has embarked on and to also illustrate that we are ensuring we meet transformation goals that we have identified at the start of the merger journey. The Transformation Team's Structure and Planning team was reviewed, PSLRTA meetings have started, the Year 2 Merger Budget is being worked on along with the creation of a Project Registry that includes 40+ projects spanning from Insurance Transition, Branding, Confirmed Charitable Status, Program Harmonization and the Information Technology Integration Plan. The Transformation Team has also been working on several supports for staff including a Health Spending Account, Learning and Development for Leaders.

### Next HKNP Board of Health Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Health for the Haliburton Kawartha Peterborough Northumberland will take place on **Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 9 a.m.** at the Port Hope Office, located at 200 Rose Glen Road and will be an in-person/hybrid meeting.

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