

# Algoma

## *Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic*

### Monthly Leadership Team Board Report – January 2021

#### The Pulse

The current COVID 19 pandemic continued to impact our activities. As announced at our last board meeting, Alana's last day with the organization was on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Clinic Activities:

There was a slight increase in the number of patients seen in-clinic during December  
We continue to encourage clinical staff to favor virtual care.

#### Human Resources

Office-Administrator: Jennifer Dickson is our new Office Administrator. She started her position with us on January 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Nurse Practitioner:

Our 2 returning NPs have now announced that they are expecting.  
We already have 1 candidate to fill one of the temporary vacancies

#### Dashboard

- We are still working towards improving our mastery of our data miner tool on the EMR. Additional changes had to be made to our queries this month to fix errors from our previous queries.

Total caseload: 2089

New patients since last Board meetings: 7 pts

Potential patients on waitlist: 652

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### Other

#### Capital Expansion:

We have reached out to our ministry rep to request a meeting to discuss potential increase in operational budget. Our goal is to advocate for a 60 % decrease to our budget cut. Without this increase, we would not be able to afford a move to any of the top potential sites.

Top contenders:

405 Queen street (adjacent parking a bit limited)

974 queen street (so far only concern is comment made about the neighborhood)

145 Old Garden River road ( no concerns)

Rental cost for these location are comparable (17-18\$/sqft gross)

#### OHT:

- Wellness bus: NPLC is going to make a request for funding for !NP position to be dedicated to this initiative
- LC is working towards clarifying year 1 priorities: most likely we will have to include mental health. So far conditions better managed in the community and frail elderly have been officially earmarked as priorities.
- QIP: we had our first education webinars with partners. I presented fundamentals of QIP work. good success. We are trying to work on building trust between organizations

#### Strategic Plan:

- Our first edition of the chronic pain education program just ended. It went better than expected. Initially, there were concerns that the virtual setting would be a deterrent to participation but the group remained very engaged throughout the 6 weeks. we are still waiting for them to return their participation survey but feedback so far has been great:

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- For long I thought that aside for medication, there was no effective way to help with my pain, now I have tools which actually work
- Now I see my pain differently. I guess I am more accepting of my pain and this allows me to do more "

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