### Hamilton Family Health Team- Partnerships

Enhanced Well Baby Care- City of Hamilton Public Health Services Partnership

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### Objectives

- Review why Hamilton Family Health Team (HFHT) has engaged in partnerships with Hamilton Public Health and Hamilton's Children's Aid Societies
- Provide insight as to the goals of these collaborations, as well as the challenges and facilitators
- Share some of the impacts of these partnerships
- Discuss what have we learned from these collaborations and what the next steps are for these partnerships



### Reasons for Partnership Initiation

## The Triple Aim Approach is made up of three components:

- Better Health Outcomes
- □ Greater System Efficiency
- Better Patient and Provider Experience



# Reason for Partnership Initiation with Public Health Services

- Can you describe the motivating factors for creating the partnerships?
- What were you seeing that made you want to change how things were going?





# Reason for Partnership Initiation with Child Welfare Services

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### Goals of the Partnership

What did you hope to get out of the partnerships?



### Interventions/Approach

- What were the first steps in building relationships between the parties?
- What services did Hamilton Public Health Services and Hamilton Children's Aid Society provide that were different from before?



### **Examples of System Navigation Tools**

ROURKE CATEGORIES	QUESTIONS TO ASK PARENTS	GUIDELINES FOR TEACHING	RED FLAGS	RESOURCES & REFERRALS
EDUCATION AND ADVICE  Injury Prevention - Car Seats	Do you use a car seat for your child?  Are you using the seat according to the manufacturer's guidelines? - height & weight rear vs forward-facing  Was the seat purchased in Canada?  Have you checked the seat's expiry date?  Please tell me any questions or concerns you may have	<ul> <li>Install the seat according to the car seat and vehicle owner's manuals.</li> <li>The seat should not move more than 1" in any direction when installed.</li> <li>Forward-facing car seats must be tethered.</li> <li>The harness straps should be snug, only 1 finger should fit between strap and collarbone.</li> <li>Children &lt; 13 years should not sit in the front seat, especially where there is a passenger airbag.</li> <li>It is safest to keep a child rearfacing as long as possible without exceeding the seat's height and weight limits.</li> <li>A child can go forward-facing once they are at least 10 kg (22 lbs), walking unassisted, and 1 year of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No car seat or lack of knowledge how to use their seat</li> <li>No tether bolt for forward facing seat – refer to car dealership for installation</li> <li>Car seat was bought used, is expired or has been in a collision</li> <li>Child riding in the front seat</li> <li>Child does not meet the requirements for a forward facing seat at 18 months (assess weight and mobility)</li> <li>Child is in a booster seat before the child is 40 lbs and 4 y.o. – may need to purchase a seat with a higher weight &amp; height limit</li> </ul>	For clients who are on OW or ODSP, client to contact their worker to obtain a car seat benefit.  Transport Canada- Car Seats http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/roadsafety/safed rivers-childsafety-car-index-873.htm  Video: Infant & Toddler Safety Association http://www.infantandtoddlersafety.ca/Health Connections Information Line - 905-546-3550
Hamilton	about your child's car seat	age • Failure to secure your child in a correct car seat can result in a fine and/or loss of demerit points.		Hamilton Family Health

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#### Hamilton Prenatal, Well Baby & Child Community Resource Tool (October 2011)

De Dwa Da Dehs Nyes Aboriginal Health Centre: 905-544-4320

Centre de Sante Communautaire Hamilton Francophone Health Centre: 905-528-0163

Prenatal – Open Access				
Pregnancy Testing/Counselling Birthright Hamilton Beginnings Family Services Catholic Children's Aid City of Hamilton- Sexual Health Line Health Initiatives for Youth	905-527-3677 905-528-6665 905-525-2012 905-528-5894 905-528-3009			
Prenatal Health Care Hamilton Midwives Community Midwives of Hamilton Access Midwives (Stoney Creek) Maternity Centre Hamilton FASD Hamilton	905-527-8919 905-546-5444 905-546-5002 905-528-5553			
Hospital Prenatal Registration Hamilton Health Sciences (McMaster) St. Joseph's Hospital	905-521-5082 905-522-1155 ext 34156			
Prenatal Classes City of Hamilton Prenatal Classes Hamilton Prenatal Nutrition Project Aboriginal Prenatal Nutrition Program	905-545-3591 905-546-3550 905-548-9593			
21 & Under Prenatal Support/Educati Living Rock Ministries (up to 25) Grace Haven (Housing also) St. Martin's Manor (Housing also)	on 905-528-7625 905-522-7336 905-575-7500 ext 327			
Prenatal Support/Home visiting City of Hamilton- HBHC Program Aboriginal Health Centre City of Hamilton- NFP (21 and under)	905-546-3550 905-544-4320 905-546-3550			
Prenatal Substance Abuse/Medication Hamilton Regional Indian Centre Hospital for Sick Children- Motherrisk Salvation Army- New Choices	n 905-548-9593 416-813-6780 905-522-5556			
Breastfeeding Supports LimeRidge Breastfeeding Clinic Le Leche League BANA St. Joseph's Hospital	905-546-3550 905-381-1010 905-522-1155 ext 33485			

Well Baby/Child - Ope	n Access
Post Partum Depression	
Catholic Family Services VON Good Beginnings The Women's Centre Women's Health Concerns Clinic	905-527-3823 905-522-0053 905-522-0127 905-522-1155 ext 33979
Positive Parenting  Beyond the Basics/Incredible Years  Right from the Start/COPEing with  Toddler Behaviour (Chedoke IPP)  Fathering Groups and Events  Early Years Centres Information Line	905-546-3550 905-521-2100 ext 77406 905-546-3550 905-524-4884
Child Care Child Care Information Hamilton Child Care Subsidy Hamilton	905-528-0591 905-546-4870
Child Health Community Health Bus Head Lice- Bug Busters Clinics Immunization Program City of Hamilton Dental Program	905-546-2489 905-546-2489 905-540-5250 905-546-2424 ext 3789
Nutrition Nutrition & Physical Activity Advice Line Eat Right Ontario	905-546-3630 877-510-5102
Safety Safe Kids Canada Health Canada	888-723-3847 866-225-0709
Recreation Hamilton Public Library (Main Branch) City of Hamilton Recreation Recreation Fee Assistance	905-546-3200 905-546-3747 905-546-2424 ext 4569
Child Development  Early Words Hamilton (Speech)  Early Words Hamilton (Infant Hearing)  Check It Out (times & locations)  On Track (Best Start Resource)  McMaster's www.18monthvisit.ca	905-381-2828 905-385-7927 905-546-3550
Vision Blind-Low Vision Early Intervention Progr C.N.I.B. Hamilton/Halton/Niagara	ram 905-385-7927 888-275-5332

## Well Baby/Child – Health Care Provider Referrals \*Family Physicians can also refer to "Development" resources mentioned above\*

#### **Child Care**

Therapeutic Referral for Childcare 905-546-2424 (18 months+ fax referral to 905-546-4668) ext 4872

#### Hearing

<u>Chedoke-Developmental Pediatrics</u> (Audiology) 905-521-7951 (phone or fax referral to 905-521-4994)
<u>St. Joseph's Healthcare- Audiology</u> 905-521-6102 (fax referral to 905-521-6159)

#### **Developmental Pediatrics (Chedoke-McMaster)**

Fax 905-387-7714 Phone: 905-521-2100 x 77950

- -Children's Developmental Rehabilitation Program
- -Cleft Lip and Palate Program
- -Specialized Developmental & Behavioural Services
- -Technology Access Clinic (TAC)
- -Autism Spectrum Disorders
- -Infant Parent Program
- -Pediatric Development Consultation

#### **Special Needs Services**

Chedoke McMaster- Special Needs Office 905-577-8451 (fax referral to 905-527-5915)

Hamilton Children's Aid Society	905-522-1121
Catholic Children's Aid Society	905-525-2012
Telehealth Phone Line Ontario	.1-866-797-0000
<b>Health Connections Phone Line</b>	905-546-3550
Kids Help Phone Line	1-800-668-6868
HFHT Child and Youth Consult	905-975-6667
COAST Crisis Outreach	905-972-8338
Ontario Poison Control	1-800-268-9017
Police Non-Emergency	905-546-4925
Early Words Hamilton	905-381-2828
Check it Out (times & locations)	905-546-3550
Contact Hamilton	905-570-8888

### Evaluation

What type of evaluation was done regarding the effectiveness of the partnership?



### Challenges Encountered

- What were some of the challenges encountered with the new collaboration model?
- Can you speak to "time" specifically as we know this is always a challenge for Family Practices



### Facilitating Factors

- What were some things that helped support the relationship?
- What made things easier?



### Impact for Health Professional

What is the impact of the relationships for health care professionals?

"I now pick up the phone and call the C/CAS worker... if I have 'grey area' questions. I wouldn't have picked up the phone in the past... because I didn't have a personal relationship and direct access to a case worker and I was afraid of the questions that would be asked of me." (HFHT clinician)

"[PHN] was absolutely fabulous in helping clarify resources that were available and setting us up with a pamphlet, we now can do the Nipissing and when we identified a gap we knew what to do with our knowledge of the weakness and we now had great resources that she connected us to. She made it very succinct in a chart form, a color chart form which is better yet, and a binder, so for us to take on the Nipissing and incorporate it into 18 month wasn't a big learning curve. It was great to be able to do that, but the biggest learning curve for us was to know what to do with the information gaps that we identified, and [PHN] was hugely instrumental in connecting us with all of that."

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### Impact for Health System

What is the impact of these relationships at a systems level?

"This project demonstrates that relationships are the key to collaboration and that two large systems can only really collaborate when smaller scale, individual relationships are allowed to form." (Comment about CAS/HFHT collaboration impact)

"Increased scope of the nurses. They're doing most of the visit now. So it's good for the whole system because it gives the physicians time to do some of the more acute and complicated issues, and it increases morale of the team. The nurses can spend more time with the family which allows the family a bit more support. The nurses have to be more engaged in what's happening in the community, they aren't just thinking about specialists, so that allows the parents better access." (Comment about PHN/HFHT collaboration impact)



### Impact for Parents

- What is the impact for parents or caregivers?
- How does the relationship benefit them?

"I had a bad experience with CAS growing up so at first I was very tense when my Nurse Practitioner mentioned meeting with the case worker. But we agreed because we needed help....Felt threatened at first but then it got more comfortable. We were able to seek help much easier and I think it opened more resources to us without the threat of taking our baby away....I hope this project goes on because it's a much better approach. It makes parents less afraid to ask for help. I feel like this project should be made available to more people...I feel it saved us and our baby." (HFHT patient & C/CAS client)

When asked what parent's liked about the enhanced 18 month visit replies included: "topics covered – milestones you wouldn't typically think of; handouts and activities to help achieve milestones"

"looked at all aspects of development; it was thorough and covered a broad range, including developmental markers"

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### Collaboration Success Story

- 21 year old prenatal client
- FHT, PHN and CCAS collaboration



### Key Lessons Learned

What are some key lessons learned from the partnerships?



### Conclusions- Next Steps

What are the next steps in both the partnership between HFHT and the Children's Aid Societies and the HFHT and Hamilton Public Health Services?



### Questions?

### ■ Any questions for the presenters?

□ Further questions or comments about the FHT/PHN partnership can be discussed with the PHN Jaclyn Busser- Grodecki by calling 905-520-8232 or emailing jaclyn.busser@hamiltonfht.ca

