

BRIGHT LIGHTS AWARDS 2021

Nomination: Small, rural, and Northern teams that have taken care

Central Lambton FHT

Rural Partnerships Equal Innovative Solutions and Sustainable Models



Strong partnerships across sectors in the community banding together to fight covid. We have never seen this in any other community. FHT and CHC partnered early on to share staff, making one separate team to do covid testing and respiratory assessment since April 2020 and still going strong. Local hospital also sent their staff onsite to help. Fire department sent members 6 days a week to set up tents for almost 1 year, they also provided the fire safety trailer to work out of doing drive through testing for almost a year now. 2 municipalities provided resources, including a stand alone site we are now at to provide testing for the entire rural county. they also provided the arena for FHT to run mass covid vaccine clinics. Private company provided propane all year to keep the testing trailer warm. FHT and CHC physicians and NPs co-cover the covid respiratory clinic. Covid planning meetings 3 times a week since March 2020 with all primary care providers in our area, hospital leadership, public health, first nations testing centers. All testing has been provided through a primary care model, not hospital based but supported and staffing assistance through hospital. Our model was featured during a meeting of Ontario West.