

BRIGHT LIGHTS AWARDS

Nomination: It takes a team: collaboration inside and out

Baawaating Family Health Team

Partnerships & Collaboration During COVID Pandemic: Walking Together



Baawaating Family Health Team has worked consistently & tirelessly throughout the pandemic to provide exemplary care to its patients and surrounding area with limited human resources and supports while maintaining regular clinic operations and services. The provision of services for the pandemic response included POC testing, Rapid testing, Screening and Immunization Clinics. Our physicians were quick to respond to transitioning over to virtual care and responding to the urgent needs of their patient who were afraid and fearful of the virus. They offered their support to the team to assist with our immunization clinics and more importantly returned calls to their patients and explained to them the benefits of vaccination against the

COVID-19 virus where there vaccine hesitancy occurred. We are also very proud of the work that our lead physician Dr. Annelind Wakegijig as a contributor and member of the Ontario Science Table COVID - 19 Advisory for Ontario bringing a cultural perspective from an Indigenous lens. Even more outstanding is the collaboration and partnerships and work that was achieved overall with our local First Nation clinics, partners and provincial health units.