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Upcoming Events:

- **Upcoming Cervical Screening Competency Trainings:** In preparation of the upcoming HPV implementation go-live, the Central East Regional Cancer Program is assessing feasibility in arranging additional HPV and Pap Competency Workshops in mid to late February 2025 (prior to go-live). The intent of these workshops is to expand the number of healthcare providers that are trained to provide this valuable cancer screening to those that are eligible. Facilitated by Dr. Nathan Roth, the training includes both a theoretical and practical component. *The practical component uses mannequins. Those that attend will receive a certificate of attendance indicating their participation.
If interested, please complete the following form: [Trainings](#)
Interested parties will then be contacted at the end of January to be enrolled.

- **Upcoming Webinars:**
If you have any suggested topics, please let us know: centraleast.csp@lh.ca

| | Date | Webinar Topic | |
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| Regional Webinars | January 17, 2025 | Getting Ready for the Implementation of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Testing in the Ontario Cervical Screening Program (OCSP) | Webinar recording: https://cercp.ca/healthcare-provider-resources/#webinars Dr. Rebecca Wray, Regional Primary Care and Cancer Screening Lead For those that registered, a post-webinar package will be circulated. |
| | February 7, 2025 | Colorectal Cancer Screening Webinar | Abnormal FIT Follow-Up and Surveillance Friday, February 7, 2025 8:00-9:00am Dr. Hugh Kendall, Regional Colorectal Screening and Gastrointestinal (GI) Endoscopy Lead To register: https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/cd593b92-55c7-4da6-a4b7-cac52d0af133@ea73f753-6976-419e-952a-d3fd7aae0ba4 |

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| Provincial Webinars | The webinar dates and registration links for providers offering cervical screening: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 4, 7:30 – 8:30 am: webinar link • February 13, 5:00 – 6:00 pm: webinar link | Preparing Primary Care Providers and Colposcopists for the Implementation of HPV testing Implementation in the Ontario Cervical Screening Program (OCSP) |

The webinar dates and registration links for providers offering **colposcopy**:

- **February 4**, 5:00 – 6:00 pm: [webinar link](#)
- **February 27**, 7:30 – 8:30 am: [webinar link](#)

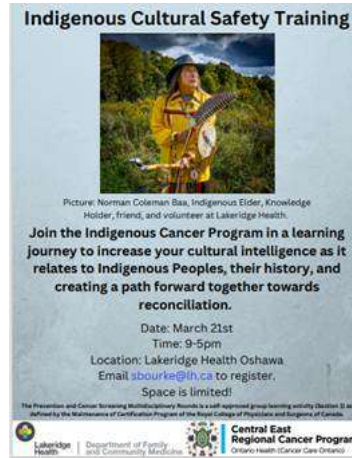
The webinars for providers offering cervical screening will be hosted by the Provincial Primary Care Lead, Dr. Jonathan Isenberg, and provincial clinical and/or scientific leadership from the OCSP. The webinars for providers offering colposcopy will be hosted by the clinical and scientific leads from the OCSP, Dr. Rachel Kupets and Dr. Dustin Costescu.

- **In-Person Indigenous Cultural Safety Training for Physicians and Nurse Practitioners:**

Recently received '2024 Indigenous Health Award' at the 17th Annual Cancer Quality Control Council of Ontario Quality and Innovation Awards

Details

- March 21, 2025
- 9:00am-5:00pm
- Lakeridge Health Oshawa
- Email: SBourke@lh.ca to register
- Please see the attached flyer for more information



Regional Cancer Program Updates:

- **Central East Regional Cancer Program Honoured at 2024 Quality and Innovation Awards.** The Central East Regional Cancer Program (CE-RCP) has earned two prestigious recognitions at the 17th Annual Cancer Quality Council of Ontario Quality and Innovation Awards, co-sponsored by the Cancer Quality Council of Ontario and Canadian Cancer Society. The team was awarded the 2024 Indigenous Health Award for their Indigenous Cultural Safety Training, as well as an Honourable Mention in the Equity Award category for the EmpowerHer Breast and Cervical Health Seminar. To read the full story: [Central East Regional Cancer Program receives accolades at industry awards ceremony | Durham Radio News](#)
- **Lakeridge Health Breast Imaging Requisition Process:** After careful consideration and thorough discussions, the Lakeridge Health breast center will be implementing a standardized process for breast imaging requisitions to ensure consistency across all Lakeridge Health sites. Lakeridge Health will maintain the current process for initial recalls and bookings managed by our clerical teams. However, any appointments falling outside this initial recall window will require a requisition from the ordering provider. To enhance communication, this requirement will be included in the radiologist's report. The proposed timeline for implementation is as follows:
 1. Effective **February 1, 2025**, we will begin requiring requisitions.
 2. Full compliance with this standardized process, including six-month follow-ups, will take effect on **August 1, 2025**.This approach will facilitate clearer communication between referring providers and our teams while reducing last-minute appointment cancellations for patients. This process offers a proactive solution to streamline workflows and enhance patient care. For any questions or concerns, please contact Diagnostic Imaging Manager, Lisa Cochrane, lcochrane@lh.ca
- **Primary Care Tool Kit** is now available. The Central East Regional Cancer Program developed a 1-page digital document that provides supporting hyperlinks to helpful resources. Each item, such as accessing updated guidelines, registering for MyPractice Reports, etc, is linked. This tool is intended to be saved to your desktop as an easy to access tool kit. Any future revisions will be circulated within the communique and added to the cercp.ca website! Please add the attached document to your desktop as the screenshot below is for visual purposes only.

December 2024

Central East Regional Cancer Program Cancer Screening Programs

Cancer Screening & Prevention FOR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

Primary care providers play a key role in the success of cancer screening programs. Learn how to improve cancer screening in your practice and how to help your patients lower their risk of cancer.

Support is always available from the Central East Regional Cancer Program:

- Education sessions (in-person and webinars)
- Patient-facing resources in different languages
- In-kind support for project management, data analysis, or resource creation
- Access to Regional Clinical Leads for guidance on cancer screening
- Cancer prevention resources
- Cervical screening competency workshops
- Monthly newsletters

1) KNOW YOUR CANCER SCREENING RATE:

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| MyPractice Primary Care Plus Report 1) Register 2) Optimize | EMR Generated Reports 1) Utilize 2) Optimize | Regional Data & Tools 1) EMR Toolbars 2) Regional Data | Considerations: • Assign a designate to review & follow-up. • Do you have a process for accurate data capture? |
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2) REACH OUT TO OVERDUE PATIENTS:

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| EMR Messages to Patients | Call Patients | Wait Times and e-Referrals 1) Breast screening wait times 2) Ocean e-referrals | Considerations: • Use templates. • Make it personal - request for appt. "from" PCP. • Ensure an equitable approach. |
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3) FOLLOW-UP ON ABNORMAL RESULTS:

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| Breast • Abnormal Mammogram • Guidelines • Genetic Referral • Breast Diagnostic Assessment Program | Colorectal • Abnormal FIT* • Genetics Referral • List of Endoscopists (OHIP & Hospital) • Centralized FIT* Referral Forms | Cervical • Abnormal Cervical Screening Results • List of Colposcopists • Gynecologic Oncology Diagnostic Assessment Program | Lung • Abnormal Lung Screening Results • Thoracic Diagnostic Assessment Program • Smoking Cessation Resources |
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- Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) is pleased to announce the recruitment of two thoracic surgeons, Dr. Daniel Sisson, MD, FRCSC and Dr. Shannon Trainor, MD, FRCSC. With the support of their two Nurse Navigators, Dr. Sisson and Dr. Trainor—who are based out of Lakeridge Health Oshawa—will support local patients and primary care providers by running a weekly on-site thoracic surgery clinic at NHH. While surgical procedures will continue to be provided out of Lakeridge Health, patients of this new clinic can receive pre-operative, post-operative and follow-up treatment, bringing a significant portion of their care close to home. Health care providers can submit a referral through EPIC or Ocean eReferral to the Thoracic Diagnostic Assessment Program. Physician referrals can also be faxed to 1-877-291-5956. For more information: [nhh-news-release-nhh-welcomes-thoracic-surgeons-to-clinical-team-final](#)

- Did You Know? We are on social media.** Follow along as we share great information for community members. Feel free to re-share any of our content:
 - [facebook.com](#)
 - [instagram.com](#)
 - [linkedin.com](#)

OH-CCO Updates:

- Physician-Linked Correspondence:** Physician-linked correspondence is an effective way to motivate eligible patients to get screened for cancer. To register, please see the attached document.
- Soft Tissue Sarcoma Diagnosis Pathway** for the standardized diagnosis of suspected cases of adult soft tissue sarcoma in Ontario. In 2016, the pathway was originally developed collaboratively by a Working Group of regional clinical representatives, through an evidence-based approach facilitated by Cancer Care Ontario (now a part of Ontario Health) and the Sarcoma Services Steering Committee. This pathway has now been reviewed and updated to ensure its current clinical relevance. The purpose of the pathway is to provide guidance to health care providers on the appropriate referral of suspected cases of soft tissue sarcoma across Ontario. The pathway provides an overview of the presentation and clinical work-up of cancer diagnosis that an individual in the Ontario cancer system may receive. Use of this Pathway across the province will ensure patients with suspected cases of soft tissue sarcoma have timely access to high quality care provided by a multidisciplinary sarcoma team, tailored to their individual needs.

Print/Promotional Materials/Community Engagement:

*Provided Free of Charge

- If you are interested in receiving any free cancer screening and prevention promotional materials (i.e., posters, brochures, etc), please complete: <https://forms.office.com/r/0GGFL7FNp3>
- All copies are also available in electronic format for waiting room screens, etc. Downloadable versions are available on <https://cercp.ca/healthcare-provider-resources/#health-promotion>.
- If you would like a cancer screening and prevention promotional materials specifically designed, please reach out to centraleast.csp@lh.ca

Data / Reports:

- If you have suggestions on how we could improve cancer screening in our region, please email centraleast.csp@lh.ca
- November 2024 data can be found on our website: <https://cercp.ca/healthcare-provider-resources/#Data>

Additional:

- To subscribe or unsubscribe from this mailing list, please email centraleast.csp@lh.ca

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