



**A Message from your Primary Care Network Core Member, Dr. Kris Martiniuk**

Primary care saw a busy October and early November. With the forthcoming expansion in team-based primary care, many of us have been involved in discussions and the conceptual planning surrounding the best model of care for our patients that sees provider satisfaction at its highest. On top of all this buzz, the Primary Care Network, in partnership with Halton Healthcare, hosted its second Doctors Lounge event. Below is a recap of this recurring special event. We're also very excited to announce new details for this year's Primary Care Clinic Day, below.

**What's Happening in Primary Care?**

**Doctors' Lounge Recap:** At our first event, specialists and primary care providers discussed better ways to collaborate for best patient care and provider satisfaction. At this Doctors Lounge, five regional programs were invited:

*Ontario Renal Network* - Discussions focused on the Kidney Wise Clinical Toolkit and the rationale for its development as well as the challenges faced with its usage. The groups also looked at the various labs and best courses of action for optimizing management.

*Cancer Care Ontario* - Discussion re Fecal immunochemical test (FIT) that is being implemented in Ontario to replace other colorectal testing i.e. colonoscopies.

*Family Medicine Obstetrics Group* - The FMOGs within the Mississauga Halton LHIN consist of family physicians who provide comprehensive, low risk obstetrics care. This topic was very well-received as many physicians were not aware of the degree of the organization of this group.

*Halton Health Care Outpatient Mental Health* - Discussions included the OneLink referral process, other services in Mississauga Halton physicians and shared challenges in managing wait times including supporting the pediatric population with limited resources.

*eConsult* - An interactive demonstration of eConsult was provided. After the discussion, both specialists and family doctors connected with their Primary Care Advisor to sign up for eConsult.

**Spoke Event Recap:** On November 7, the Oakville spoke hosted a meeting at Noble Bistro. We had the opportunity to have a conversation with Dr. Daniela Kempkens, our Acting Medical Officer of Health from Halton Region as well as Zoe Dawe, Manager of One-Link and Dr. Gyula Voros, who represented the Family Medicine Obstetrics Group. Current immunization topics, challenges with mental health services and opportunities to refer to family medicine OB group for low risk obstetrics and IUD insertions were discussed. Another spoke meeting will be planned for the spring. Please forward me topics of interest.

**NEW DETAILS**

**Primary Care Clinic Day:  
Wednesday, February 28, 2018**

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**Primary Care Clinic Day**

**We're recruiting new members!**



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November 23 - 24  
[55th Annual Scientific Assembly](#)

November 25  
[Treating Poverty Workshop](#)

January 31 @ 9AM - 4PM  
[Primary Care for Trans and Gender Diverse Clients: Hormones and Preventative Care CME](#)

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**Meet your Core Member**

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