

# West Region Stakeholder COVID-19 Information Session #10

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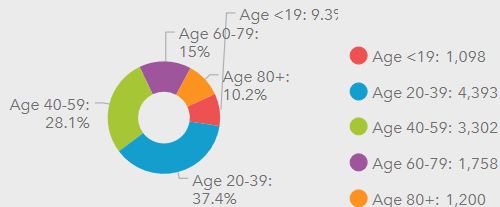
# Agenda

- **Welcome**
- **Current State**
- **Wave 2 Preparedness- Updates**
- **Good News Story**
- **Question and Answers**



# Current State

Selected PHU: Cases by Age Category



- 18% of all cumulative cases
- 13% of all new cases August 25th

## West Region Cases

10,105

From previous day ▲ 73 (0.7%)

## Total Hospitalizations

1,062

From previous day ▲ 1 (0.1%)

## Total Deceased

459

From previous day ▲ 0 (0%)

## Total Resolved

9,176

From previous day ▲ 7 (0.1%)

## ON Cases

Total Cases (selected PHU)

55,945

From previous day ▲ 554 (1%)

## Total Hospitalizations

5,300

From previous day ▲ 7 (0.1%)

## Total Deceased

2,988

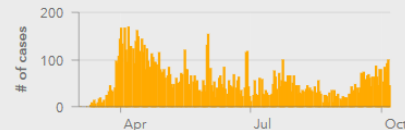
From previous day ▲ 0 (0%)

## Total Resolved

47,613

From previous day ▲ 23 (0%)

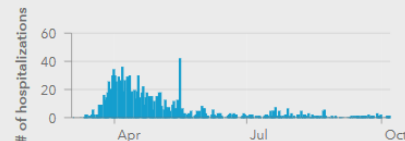
Selected PHU: Daily Case Count



Daily

Cumulative

Selected PHU: Daily Hospitalizations



Daily

Cumulative

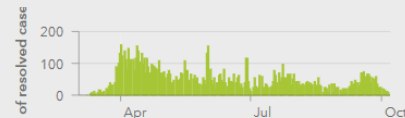
Selected PHU: Daily Deaths



Daily

Cumulative

Selected PHU: Daily Resolved Cases



Daily

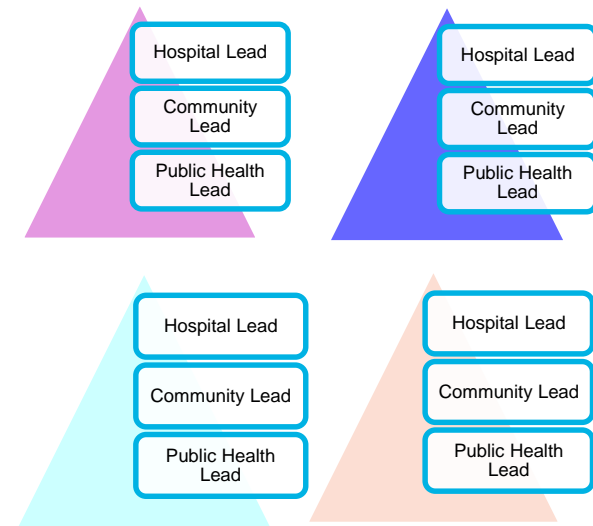
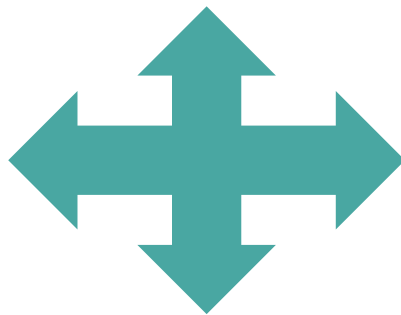
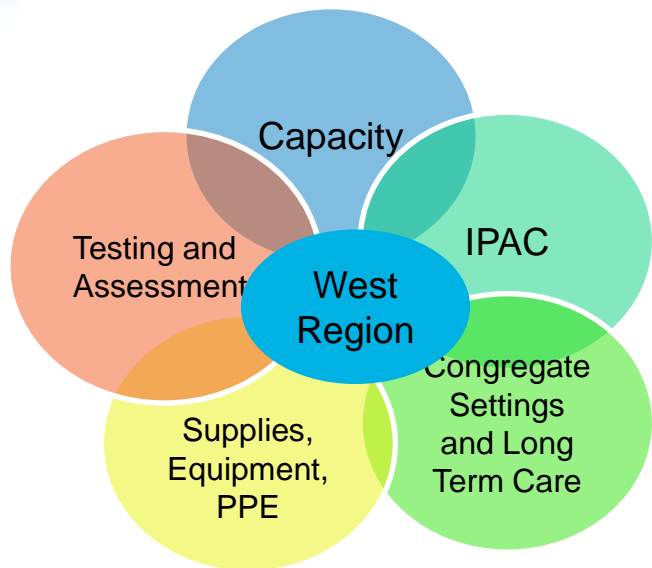
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# Current State

- Increasing cases across the province- Wave 2 has started
- Not yet sure exactly what it will look like, but could be significant numbers of cases and considerable impact on health system and communities
- We know much more than we did in Wave 1. There is an ability to mitigate impact- personally, organizationally, and regionally
- Working as a truly integrated system is critical- trying to balance multiple priorities. Will require flexibility, adaptability, partnerships, and trust
- Everyone doing their part is essential

# Current State

## OH West Region Health System Response Table



## West Region Ontario Health Teams (OHTs) / Local Communities

# Wave 2 Balancing Priorities

- Effectively contain COVID-19, with a goal of having no community transmission
- Prepare for, respond to, and recover from the flu season, multiple waves and increased incidence of COVID-19
- Maintain continued timely access to emergent and essential care in hospital and community
- Deliver increased scheduled care to recover backlog
- Deliver care safely to patients/residents/clients

# Testing and Assessment

- September 24, 2020 - [COVID-19 Provincial Testing Guidance v.8](#)
  - Revised directions re. testing at assessment centres if one is showing COVID-19 **symptoms**; has been **exposed** to a confirmed case of the virus, as informed by your public health unit or exposure notification through the COVID Alert app; a resident or work in a setting that has a COVID-19 **outbreak**, as identified and informed by your local public health unit; and eligible for testing as part of a **targeted testing initiative** directed by the Ministry of Health or the Ministry of Long-Term Care
- Pharmacies are alternate location for testing of asymptomatic individuals
- Assessment Centres operating on scheduled appointment basis only
- Goal- ensure access to testing for those who need it and balance capacity in lab to expedite processing

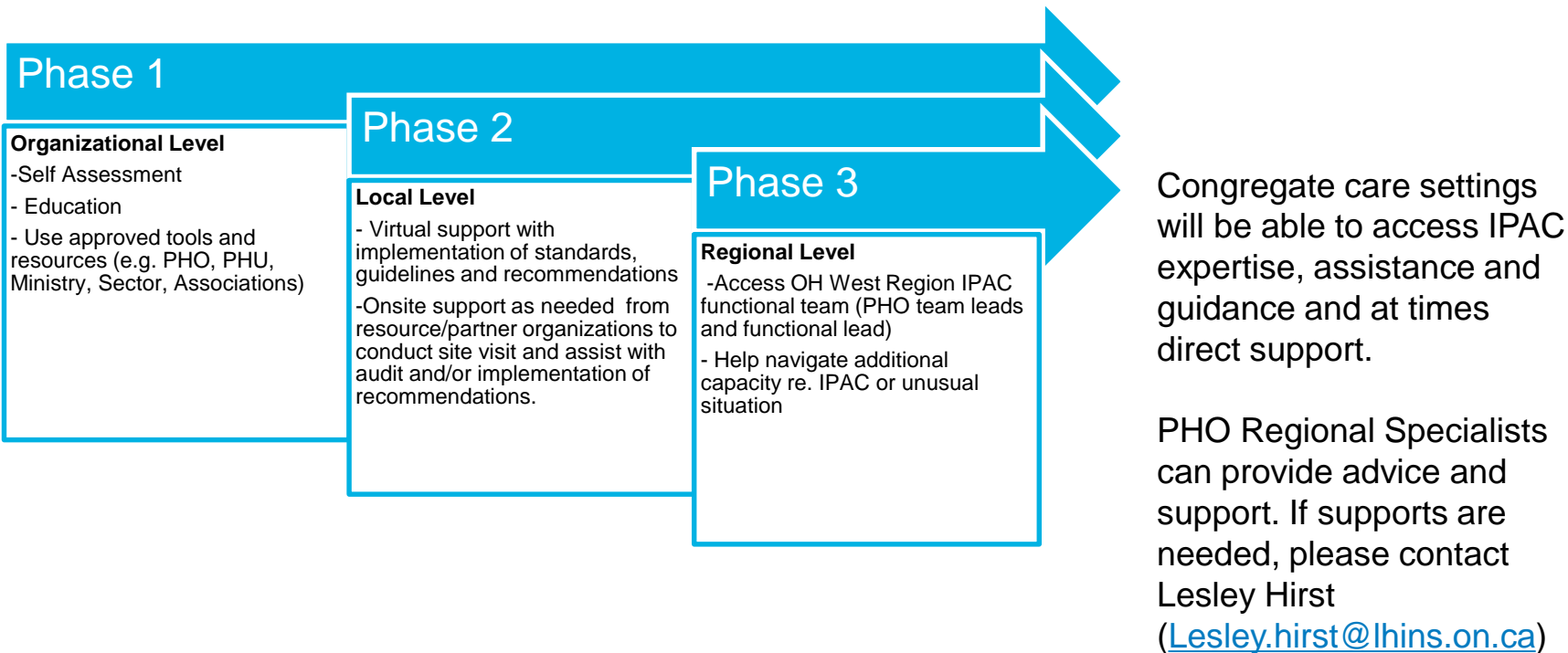


# Capacity Planning

- Target occupancy of <90% in acute care
- Additional hospital capacity remains in operation to support COVID-19 care, flu surge and surgical resumption
- Alternate Health Facilities (AHF) are on standby to open as needed
- Hospitals continue to implement plans to increase surgical and diagnostic procedures to 'catch up'- working on LHIN level/regional plans
- Determine core services (hospital, community, home, primary care) for which access should be maintained through subsequent waves. Engage in sub-regional planning discussions regarding these services to ensure integrated approach



# Infection Prevention and Control



# Congregate Settings

- Preparedness assessment survey to be completed by October 9<sup>th</sup> (extension).
- Settings to identify any concerns with preparedness and risks (e.g. IPAC, HHR, other) and develop action plans to mitigate
- Foster an integrated approach of support (e.g. IPAC, PPE, testing, outbreak management)
- Establish or maintain pre-identified partner teams for each congregate care organization in the event that support is needed.

# Long Term Care

- Preparedness Assessments completed with a focus on IPAC, Human Resources and Partnerships and Sustained Operations
- Triads and local teams are connecting to support LTC homes to address any gaps
- Revised provincial framework for monitoring and reporting in development



# Supplies, Equipment and PPE

- Updated version of Directive #5 released October 5<sup>th</sup>. All organizations and healthcare providers should utilize the ['IPAC Recommendations for Use of Personal Protective Equipment for Care of Individuals with Suspect or Confirmed COVID-19'](#) guidance from Public Health Ontario to support in their Point of Care Risk Assessments and utilization of appropriate PPE.
- Proactive PPE allocation are being provided to various sectors in the next few weeks.
- Reminder that Primary Care, Indigenous Providers and Community Support Services providers can request PPE directly from the pandemic supply using the [Pandemic PPE Transitional Supply Form](#).
- Request for urgent supply of N95s must be escalated to MEOC through our [West Region Urgent PPE form](#).



# Good News Stories

- \* *There are great things happening across our communities and health sector*
- \* *We would love to hear your good news stories so we can share them!*
- \* *Please send your stories to [SWCommunications@lhins.on.ca](mailto:SWCommunications@lhins.on.ca)*

 **McMaster Faculty of Health Sciences** @MacHealthSci · Oct 4

Nicole Crimi, a McMaster University medical student, has written and illustrated a COVID-19-focused children's book called "Patty and the Pandemic". All proceeds go to charity. The book can be purchased online at: [pattyandthepandemic.org](http://pattyandthepandemic.org). | #COVID19



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The nimbleness of this assessment centre is a demonstration of trusted partnerships. It shows us what is possible in the world of #OntarioHealthTeams. @CK\_OHT @ONHealth @CKEMS\_CP @StClairCollege @ckhamedia

 **Chatham-Kent Health Alliance** @ckhamedia · Oct 5

Thank you to our health system partners for assisting us with COVID-19 testing today while we moved our Assessment Centre into its new space. Beginning tomorrow we'll welcome individuals with booked appointments to the @StClairCollege HealthPlex in Chatham. #ckont #teamwork



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# Question and Answer