



Women & Children's
Health Network

CENTRAL REGION NORTH

Semi-Annual Report

JUNE 2023

REPORT OVERVIEW

This is the first semi-annual report for our Network. It represents a snapshot of key work accomplished to-date. The Network has re-branded, launched our first strategic plan, and has sponsored ~600 educational course seats since 2022 for healthcare providers in Central Region North. We also expanded our working groups and priority areas.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- ★ Re-branded, renamed, and launched first strategic plan.
- ★ Evolved from a providers and healthcare organizations focus to add direct community interaction via a social media and website launch.
- ★ Quadrupled our PFAC members from 2 to 8 over the last year.
- ★ Expanded our structure from one steering committee and 3 working groups (Women's Health, Birthing Families, and Children-Youth) to 12 action-focused and interdisciplinary groups.

EDUCATION SNAPSHOT

282

Core course education
seats sponsored to-date

78

Additional seats sponsored
in 2023-2024 (S.T.A.B.L.E.
and PALS)

234

Attended Perinatal Mental
Health Trainings (will
continued to be offered
regionally)

Clinical Priority Work

1. WOMEN'S HEALTH

PRIORITY

1) Pregnancy Loss and Complications

2) Abortion Care

3) Cervical Cancer Screening & Contraception

HIGHLIGHTS

- PFAC-led “Little Loss Library” soon to be launched in Muskoka.
- Standardizing discharge packages across the region.
- Four Network-sponsored PregnancyED patient resources translated into French for provincial access.
- Awaiting funding proposal outcome (submitted: \$1.2M for Regional Midwifery-Led Early Pregnancy Assessment Clinic).
- Muskoka & Barrie first pilot sub-regions - system coordination.
- Sponsored course to support 20 new regional providers.
- Working with National Abortion Federation Canada to provide education to community pharmacies.
- Newest Task Force – in preliminary planning stage.
- Disseminating sub-regional clinic information out via social media and exploring options to increase access.

2. BIRTHING FAMILIES

PRIORITY

1) Perinatal Mental Health

2) Family-Centred Birthing

HIGHLIGHTS

- New Perinatal Mental Health Task Force working to embed Provincial Council for Maternal Child Health pathway into primary care offices to increase uptake and support at point of care.
- Regional Newborn Passport rolled out to support information transfer to outpatient visits.

3. CHILDREN & YOUTH

PRIORITY

1) Child and Youth Mental Health

2) Eating Disorders

HIGHLIGHTS

- In partnership with Central Ontario Specialized Health Network, initiated new Regional Child and Youth Mental Health Crisis Task Force.
- Kids Health Alliance membership sponsorship (50% of cost for CGMH, GBGH, MAHC, and WPSHC for year 1)
- Support to new Simcoe Muskoka Regional Eating Disorders Project to increase service accessibility.

Next up: Exciting work ahead!

The Ministry will be accepting “Network 2.0” funding proposals in Summer 2023 to support regional Network growth. Our Network will focus on asks that align with the provincial priorities and our strategic pillars. We are particularly focused on increasing access to data to support measurable outcomes.

PROVINCIAL PRIORITIES

1. Local Gap Analysis and Planning
2. Executing Improvements to Care
3. Connecting/Coordinating Providers
4. Informing/Providing Input to Provincial Entities

STRATEGIC PILLARS

1. Evidence-based Learning and Growth
2. Supportive and Inclusive Connections
3. Service and Resource Accessibility

Links to Key Documents

[Strategic Plan 2023 - 2026](#)

[Strategic Planning & Branding Timeline](#)

[Education Seats Funded-to-Date](#)

[Organizational Chart](#)

[2023/24 Work Plan](#)

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Network Members

Network members include representatives from the community, hospital organizations and professional disciplines. Together, we work towards a collaborative and coordinated approach to health system planning. The members translate the Network's goals and objectives into specific actions to enhance regional integration.



BARRIE MIDWIVES



Network Partners

