



Women & Children's
Health Network

CENTRAL REGION NORTH

Semi-Annual Report

FALL 2023

REPORT OVERVIEW

Funding advocacy has been at the forefront over the summer months.

Proposal submissions include children and youth mental health crisis regional education, continued advocacy for a regional midwifery-led early pregnancy assessment clinic, and Network 2.0 funding advocacy to support Network growth including a regional educator.

WORK TO CELEBRATE

- ★ Launch of the Network's first *Little Loss Library* in Muskoka to bring pregnancy/infant loss resources to the community (PFAC-led initiative)
- ★ Simcoe Muskoka Regional Eating Disorder Program launch October 2023
- ★ Development of central hub for core education for providers on Network website (numerous network-sponsored courses)
- ★ Development of community resource library on Network website to complement social media spotlight organization profiling & clinical healthcare information

PROGRESS UPDATE

\$2M+

In funding advocacy for priority clinical areas

850

Unique Network website visits since May 2023 launch

4

New standardized regional patient resources being finalized

1

Care pathway in final stages; includes streamlined pregnancy loss and abortion care (Muskoka)

Next up: Exciting work ahead!

- The Network has exciting work on the horizon including participation in research and continued community engagement

RESEARCH PARTICIPATION

1. The Network has joined as a co-applicant on a grant to support National research work: *Establishing a Multi-disciplinary and Multi-sectoral Canadian Obstetric Survey System (CanOSS) to identify, report, review and reduce pregnancy-related mortality and severe morbidity*
2. The Network participates in supporting PhD student work in *planning and implementing practice changes in Ontario maternal-newborn hospital units.*

RESOURCE & SERVICE ACCESS

The Network has heard from both patients and healthcare providers that resources and services are available in our region, but the challenge is awareness. In response, the Network recently expanded communication strategies to include a social media presence:

- 28 community agencies/resources profiled.
- 15 self-care/healthcare information provided.
- 9 awareness day/community events shared.

More to follow!



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