



INFORMATION REPORT

TO: Mayor and Members Board of Health	WARD(S) AFFECTED: CITY WIDE
COMMITTEE DATE: October 24, 2011	
SUBJECT/REPORT NO: Review of Smoke-Free Ontario Enforcement Charges (BOH11037) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)	
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Council Direction:

At the May 25, 2011 Board of Health meeting, a resolution from Timiskaming respecting Smoke-Free Ontario Charges was included as correspondence (item 7a). The resolution stated “Therefore be it resolved that the Timiskaming Health Unit Board request that the Ministry of Health Promotion assess specifically the impact and effectiveness, including cost benefit analysis, of enforcement charges”.

The Board of Health approved the following recommendation with respect to the Timiskaming resolution: “Be received, and staff be directed to report back to the Board of Health on the Smoke Free Ontario review upon its completion.” This item appears as item B on the outstanding business list of the Board of Health.

Information:

Public Health Services’ staff have confirmed with both Timiskaming Health Unit and Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport staff that the Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport has not conducted an assessment of the impact and effectiveness, including a cost-benefit analysis, of Smoke-Free Ontario enforcement charges. The Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport have identified that there is presently no plan to conduct this review.