

INFORMATION REPORT

то:	Mayor and Members Board of Health
COMMITTEE DATE:	April 16, 2018
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Public Health Services 2017 Annual Report (BOH18010) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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Council Direction:

Not Applicable.

Information:

In support of health system transformation across the province, the Ontario Public Health Standards (Standards) were recently reviewed and updated by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (Ministry). The Standards outline the requirements that direct mandatory public health programs and services delivered by local public health units, and the modernized Standards became effective as of January 1, 2018.

In addition to program and service delivery requirements, the Standards outline organizational requirements of boards of health to demonstrate accountability to the Ministry for the work they do, how they do it, and the results achieved. It is an organizational requirement that all boards of health produce an annual financial and performance report to the general public. The Standards also include a Transparency Framework which outlines the type of information that boards of health are required to publicly disclose to support enhanced transparency in the public sector and promote public confidence in the public health system. As part of the Transparency Framework,

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it is the responsibility of boards of health that the annual financial and performance report be posted on the board of health website.

Appendix A to Report BOH18010 Public Health Services 2017 Annual Report: A Healthy, Safe and Supportive Community for All, satisfies the annual financial and performance reporting expectations of the organizational requirements. The Annual Report highlights work conducted across Public Health Services in 2017 and provides an opportunity to increase awareness in the community on current public health issues and public health services offered in Hamilton. To fulfil requirements of the Transparency Framework, the Annual Report will be made available to the public on the City of Hamilton website at https://www.hamilton.ca/public-health/reporting.

Appendices and Schedules Attached

Appendix A to Report BOH18010 – Public Health Services 2017 Annual Report: A Healthy, Safe and Supportive Community for All