



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members Board of Health
COMMITTEE DATE:	September 20, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Board of Health Governance Education Session (BOH21006(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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COUNCIL DIRECTION

At the Board of Health meeting on June 14, 2021, the following was passed as a result of Report BOH21006 Board of Health Governance Overview Report:

“The Medical Officer of Health or a designate engage an external vendor to plan and deliver an education session on the topic of governance and structural options for the Board of Health to consider to ensure that our members have up to date information in the context of the province moving ahead with its discussions related to public health modernization”.

INFORMATION

In response to this motion, Karima Kanani, Lawyer and Partner, Miller Thompson Lawyers, has been engaged to facilitate a Board of Health Governance Education Session for the September 20, 2021 Board of Health meeting. Karima Kanani is a health industry specialist and provides corporate counsel to health and social service

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Boards, organizations and associations of all sizes. Karima is an advisor and frequent industry speaker on governance and health system transformation.

The Governance Education Session will provide an overview of the legal landscape of public health governance, including various acts and requirements that Hamilton's Board of Health must comply with. Information will also be shared regarding health system transformation and public health modernization that may impact the Board of Health moving forward.

In addition to the legal and system landscape, the education session will provide insight into principles of good governance, engaging with community needs and priorities, and advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion from a governance perspective.

The education session will conclude with a review of alternate Board of Health frameworks and examples from other jurisdictions in Ontario. Requirements and considerations for implementing alternate board of health structures in the context of current health system transformation and future public health modernization will also be discussed.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not Applicable.