

Highlights of the March 21, 2013 CCMB Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of CancerCare Manitoba (CCMB) at its regular meeting on March 21, 2013:

- Received a presentation by Dr. S. Navaratnam, on the findings of the Manitoba Oncology Drug Utility and Clinical Outcomes Program. Given the ever-rising cost of treating cancer, evaluation and measurement of the clinical benefits and cost effectiveness of drugs is important to ensure patients receive the best care possible within growing budget constraints.
- Received a presentation by Valerie Wiebe, Chief Nursing Officer, and Dale Shattenkirk, CEO of Learning to See Consulting, on Manitoba Health's "Pursuing Excellence Program", which is a 5-year LEAN initiative designed to enhance quality and maximize efficiencies in the provision of health care services. The Board endorsed the involvement of CCMB's senior leadership team in this initiative.
- Acknowledged the outstanding contribution of Ms. V. Derenchuk, who has represented the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority on the Board of CCMB since 2009.
- Reviewed and approved financial operating statements to January 31, 2013, which are on track to break-even by year end.
- Received reports from President & CEO regarding wait times, staff recruitment and retention, the new Home Care Drug Program, and the Cancer Patient Journey Initiative. It was noted the ColonCheck Screening Program received media attention as March was named "Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month." In addition, it was reported that the Manitoba government announced the introduction of digital mammography for improved screening.
- Received and considered reports on the 2012 Annual Progress Report, Population Oncology / Prevention Initiatives, BreastCheck Screening Program and from Human Resource Services.

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