

# Newsletter



## Engagement activities

### Greater Hamilton Health Network

- Dr. Sarah Jarmain, Chief of Staff and EVP Medical and Academic Affairs, and Dr. Mohamad Alshurafa, Family Physician, presented on Community HealthPathways at the St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Professional Staff Leadership event on April 15.
- Community HealthPathways Filming Event April 30.

### Middlesex London Ontario Health Team

- Community HealthPathways Filming Event on April 30.
- We're looking forward to meaningful discussions with hospital teams across the region throughout May.
- Visit the MLOHT HealthPathways table at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Clinical Day in Family Medicine on May 14 to learn more about the platform and upcoming developments.
- Our team will be on hand at the Middlesex London Navigator Collaborative Resource Fair on May 15 to share resources and answer your questions.
- The MLOHT HealthPathways team is proud to be attending and presenting at the MLPCN Primary Care Symposium on June 11. We will be there to help you register for a free HealthPathways account.

### Burlington Ontario Health Team

- Engaging with and including the broader provider community in Burlington is essential to the success of the HealthPathways program. Accordingly, our program team has planned engagements with clinicians, acute care and community care leaders within our community.
- The HealthPathways program team plan to present to the Burlington System Navigators Community in May.
- BOHT will be doing drop-ins to primary care offices with HP related information. If your practice is interested in a drop-in visit to walk through the registration for the HealthPathways platform, and to learn how to get your free account, please reach out: [healthpathways@burlingtonoht.ca](mailto:healthpathways@burlingtonoht.ca).

# Meet some of our clinicians



## Greater Hamilton Health Network

Dr. Mohamad Alshurafa is a family physician and board member of the Hamilton Family Health Team. Dr. Alshurafa has practiced internationally in Australia and Canada, including in rural and urban settings and within varying practice settings. He has over 10 years of leadership experience in the health care sector including in family practice digital health, and family health organizations. He serves on the UpToDate (CFPC) planning board and is an Assistant Clinical Professor at McMaster University and the University of Toronto. He has worked with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and understands the funder perspective and funding models. Most recently Dr. Alshurafa was the HFHT's Digital Health Ambassador and, in that role, represented the HFHT at various planning tables.



## Middlesex London Ontario Health Team

Dr. Gordon Schacter practiced comprehensive family medicine in London for 29 years before retiring in July of 2024. He is the Regional Clinical Lead, Primary Care for Ontario Health West. In addition, he is the Middlesex London Ontario Health Team Clinical Lead for Primary Care, and sits on the executive of the Middlesex London Primary Care Network. He was the chair of the Ontario Primary Care Council from October 2021 until April of 2023. Dr. Schacter is also an adjunct professor in the Department of Family Medicine, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry at Western University. He has held previous leadership roles on the executive of the Section on General and Family Practice at the OMA and at the South West LHIN, as the London Middlesex clinical lead, South West LHIN primary care lead, and as the primary care lead for the South West Diabetes Regional Coordination Centre. Dr. Schacter completed a master's certificate program in physician leadership from the Schulich School of Business, York University, and the physician leadership development program for advanced leaders with the OMA/Joule. In 2022, Dr. Schacter was awarded the Canadian Certified Physician Executive credential by the Canadian Society of Physician Leaders.



## Burlington Ontario Health Team

Dr. Mike Mills is a relief Hospitalist at Joseph Brant Hospital in Burlington, where he also assists the Joint Replacement Orthopaedic Teams as a surgical assistant. He leads the hospital's Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Program, a role requiring sensitivity and collaboration. His work is grounded in family medicine principles and supported by extensive experience in building strong relationships across health disciplines. With nearly five decades in family practice, Dr. Mills has worked in various clinical settings, including group practices, hospital-based care, and child foster care. He has navigated both capitation and fee-for-service models, always drawn to innovative and collaborative work. A career highlight has been his locum work in New Zealand over the past 20 years, where he utilized HealthPathways to guide diagnostic decisions and care planning. Dr. Mills is a Certificant and Fellow of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and recently completed the Canadian MAiD Curriculum. Despite joking about "trying to be a retired family doctor," he remains passionate about learning, contributing, and being inspired by his colleagues. The evolving nature of medicine and the richness of human connection make his work deeply rewarding.

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