



SOAR: PATHWAY TO WELLNESS NEWSLETTER

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP #1

We would like to thank all the community and organizational partners that travelled from all over Canada to attend the first of three Quality Improvement Workshops offered in the SOAR Program on May 3rd and 4th, in London, Ontario. The workshop was a huge success in supporting teams from each of the partnering community and organizations in developing community-designed initiatives to improve diabetes prevention and management, as well as supporting team and inter-community collaboration and networking.

Over the next 12 months, the Western SOAR team will continue to support the teams as they test new ways of caring for people living with diabetes in their communities.

The presentation slides and the video of Dr. Harris presentation can be found at the following link:
<http://www.tndms.ca/research/soar/WorkshopOne.html>



Abegweit First Nation and the Atlantic branch of the First Nations & Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB)



Sheshatshiu Innu First Nation



Serpent River First Nation & N'Minnoeyaa Aboriginal Health Access Centre



Oneida Nation of the Thames & Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre (SOAHAC)



Website Updates

The TNDMS website is going through extensive changes and the exciting new look will be going live August 2018. Coming in September 2018 to the website will be the long anticipated new discussion forum to share PDSAs and other ideas.



Save the Date QI Workshop #2

The next QI Workshop #2 for QI Team Members will be via video link on September 12 & 13, 2018. More details will be sent out closer to the date.



Get to know the Western Team

Over the last few months, there have been a few transitions and new faces on the Western Team, we have profiled each team member below so you can get to know them and their role on the team.



Meghan Fournie
Project Lead
General inquiries, program & evaluation implementation facilitator and data keeper support
Fun Fact: enjoys biking, crafts, taking care of her two Bengal cats and 125 gallon aquarium full of tropical fresh water fish



Mariam Hayward
Program Manager
Transition to Team Manager role and back-up support on SOAR
Fun Fact: Loves to dance, needs music to function (and coffee) and loves the beach!!



Jackie Mclellan
Research Administration & Finance Assistant
Fun Fact: loves travelling, spending time with her family and two dogs



Marnie Orcutt
Part-time Research Assistant
Fun Fact: is currently studying Spanish. Loves going to the movie theatre (the popcorn is always amazing even if the movie isn't!)



Chris Ryan
Website & Communications Assistant
Fun Fact: loves to run, bike and spend time with his cat



Susan Webster-Bogaert
Research Associate
Community research agreements and Finance Lead
Fun Fact: Enjoys backpacking adventures



Jim Esler
Part-time FNDSS Technical Support
Fun Fact: Born in London and has lived in Hamilton and Pennsylvania. Before joining the team at Western, he was a field archaeologist. Has a deep interest in history, and is a table-top gamer.

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