

Announcement - Dr. Martin Lees

Following a competitive process, it is our great pleasure to announce Dr. Martin Lees as the successful candidate in the role of Erie St. Clair Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Clinical Quality Lead. In his new role, Dr. Lees will have the opportunity to influence positive change that results in improved patient outcomes, and experience of care. The ultimate goal will be to align the quality agenda while engaging Erie St. Clair (ESC) LHIN communities to build on and help accelerate existing efforts to promote a culture of quality. Work on quality will be coupled with his broader role related to primary care and clinical leadership.



In his capacity related to quality, Dr. Lees will have a dual reporting relationship to the Chief, Clinical Quality at Health Quality Ontario (HQO), and the Chief Executive Officer of the Erie St. Clair LHIN. Through the establishment of Regional Quality Tables, HQO and the LHINs are collaborating to advance clinical quality in a coordinated and impactful way across the province, supporting improvement in ways that are meaningful to patients. Dr. Lees will chair the Erie St. Clair LHIN Regional Quality Table.

Dr. Lees has a Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Ottawa, a Master's degree in administration from Central Michigan University, and a PhD in management from Walden University. He also earned Fellowship in the Canadian College of Health Leaders and is a Certified Physician Executive of the Canadian Medical Association. Martin is a Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality. His clinical work has been in primary care and emergency medicine. He has been the physician primary care lead for ESC LHIN for the past four years and is a faculty member for the Canadian Patient Safety Institute and the Physician Leadership Institute at the Canadian Medical Association.

Martin has management and leadership experience spanning over 20 years in healthcare systems in positions as manager, director, president of Professional Staff, Chief of Staff, and Vice President and Chief Medical Executive. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of several nonprofit corporations. His consulting work focuses on change management, organizational development, and strategic planning. He has published several articles in peer reviewed publications.

Martin is a faculty member at two business schools where he teaches leadership, corporate governance, and strategy.

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Lees on his appointment to this important role in the Erie St. Clair LHIN.

Ralph Ganter
Acting Chief Executive Officer, Erie St. Clair LHIN

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