## **INFOBulletin**



To: Diabetes Education Programs in Waterloo Wellington LHIN

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Re: Central Intake Updates

- With the goal of improving access to diabetes care-early intervention and prevention, we have now added Nephrologist/HTN Clinic consult as an option for Physicians or Nurse Practitioners to select on the new Waterloo Wellington Diabetes referral form. As with the other specialist consults, the Nephrologists name will be identified in the bottom right hand corner of the referral form for your information. This change will take effect November 14<sup>th</sup>, in honour of World Diabetes Day. Other changes include the addition of Pre-Pregnancy and Postpartum Counselling on the referral form.
- Central Intake will be faxing out the new referral form this week to the 625 referral sources we have in our database currently. The Practice Solutions Software (PSS) Diabetes Custom Referral form will also be emailed out to the providers who are using the PSS form already or who request this in the future.
- We ask for your help with the new diabetes referral form distribution. Please have our updated referral form put on your website or hospital Intranet.
- A four month Pharmacy Pilot Project started October 1<sup>st</sup> in Kitchener, Waterloo and Cambridge, with the
  goal of developing a streamlined process for referrals to CDE pharmacists. This pilot project has been
  developed to utilize the expertise of CDE pharmacists in diabetes management, provide easy accessibility
  and after hours support and provide a streamlined transition from community pharmacists to Diabetes
  Education Centres as needed.
- Waterloo Wellington Diabetes has received one-time funding to expand Central Intake to an electronic system as well as to complete the Diabetes and Pregnancy work that had previously been started by the WWDRCC. This funding has to be used by the end of this fiscal year, so stay tuned for further updates and future job postings.

## Happy World Diabetes Day on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>!

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the Central Intake process.

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