



**MEDICAL
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING**

December 5, 2001

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

December 18, 2001

TO: LHSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BILL SISCHKEK, MAC CHAIR
RE: REPORT ON SPECIAL MAC MEETING OF DECEMBER 5TH

On December 5, 2001, the full Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) of LHSC met for a precedent-setting, day-long meeting to hear presentations from those who expressed a desire to present new or different information related to Scoping Recommendations. All individuals wishing to present information as outlined by the MAC process for hearing presentations had the opportunity to do so.

Physician representatives made presentations pertaining to the following Programs: Cardiac Transplant, Paediatrics (including Perinatology and Cardiac Surgery), Plastic Surgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, Vascular Surgery and Radionuclide Therapy.

Through thoughtful discussion and deliberation, the members of the MAC were able to comment on every presentation as to whether the information presented was new or different than that originally available to the Board of Directors on September 4th. The MAC did hear what it considered to be new or different information in some instances.

As senior medical advisors, the MAC as a whole was then able to make recommendations to the Board to take under consideration during their deliberations related to the programs and services offered at LHSC.

As the Chair of the MAC, I was pleased that each member of the MAC accepted this important responsibility and fully participated to ensure that the best possible medical advice and expert opinion is provided to the Board to assist them in their decision-making process. It was a very productive day.

The attached report provides the context and summarizes the key recommendations of the Medical Advisory Committee. The report includes:

- the area represented by the presentations;
- names and titles of presenters;
- all documentation and written information tabled as part of the presentation;
- a summary of the discussion leading up to the vote;
- the results of the formal MAC vote as to whether the presentation contained new or different information;
- MAC recommendation(s) to the Board of Directors related to new or different information.

Please note that in the question and answer sections of the report, questions or comments from the Medical Advisory Committee to the presenters are "italicized".

LIST OF PRESENTERS

SPECIAL MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING December 05, 2001

1.0 Presentations/Presenters:

1.1 Adult Cardiac Transplantation

- **Dr. William Wall, Director, Multi-Organ Transplant Unit**
- **Dr. George Klein, Division Chief, Division of Cardiology**
- **Dr. Larry Chow, Site Chief, Division of Cardiology**

1.2 Radionuclide Systemic Therapies

- **Dr. Albert Driedger, Acting Chief, Department of Nuclear Medicine**
- **Dr. Richard Rankin, Chief, Department of Radiology**

1.3 The Impact of Paediatric Scoping on the High Risk Perinatology Program

- **Dr. Victor Han, Chair of Neonatal/Perinatal Medicine**
- **Dr. Renato Natale, Associate Chief of Obstetrics**
- **Dr. Robert Gagnon, Chair, Division of Maternal/Fetal Medicine**

1.4 Department of Paediatrics Response to the Scoping and Sizing Recommendations

- **Dr. Tim Frewen, Chair/Chief, Department of Paediatrics**
- **Dr. Ram Singh, Director, Paediatric Critical Care Unit**
- **Ms. Ellen Rosen, Manager, Childrens Care**

1.5 Paediatric Cardiac Surgery

- **Dr. Richard Novick, Chief of Cardiac Surgery**

1.6 Division of Plastic Surgery

- **Dr. Larry Hurst, Chair/Chief, Division of Plastic Surgery**
- **Dr. Jim Roth, Director, Hand and Upper Limb Centre**
- **Dr. Doug Ross, Program Director, Division of Plastic Surgery**

1.7 Endovascular Aneurysm Surgery

- **Dr. Guy DeRose, Division of Vascular Surgery**
- **Dr. Ken Harris, Chair, Department of Surgery**
- **Dr. Tom Forbes, Program Director, Endovascular Aneurysm Surgery**
- **Dr. Richard Rankin, Chief, Department of Radiology**

1.8 Orthopaedic Surgery

- **Dr. Robert Bourne, Chair, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery**



SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS
SPECIAL MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 5, 2001

PRESENTATION	"DIFFERENT OR NEW" INFORMATION	RECOMMENDATION
Adult Cardiac Transplantation	Yes	<p>The Medical Advisory Committee recommends that the new information is significant enough that it should cause the Board to more fully reconsider this scoping recommendation. The Medical Advisory Committee advises against going to implementation planning until this has happened.</p> <p>The Medical Advisory Committee strongly supports a provincial approach, through the Trillium Gift of Life Network, for the rationalization of Heart Transplant Services in London.</p>
Radionuclide Systemic Therapies	No	<p>The Medical Advisory Committee recommends that the scoping recommendation regarding Samarium should continue to the implementation phase of discussions. Issues of Medical safety or quality of care will need to be visited again.</p>
Impact of Paediatric Scoping on High Risk Perinatology Department of Paediatrics Response to the Scoping and Sizing Recommendations Paediatric Cardiac Surgery	Yes	<p>The Medical Advisory Committee has determined that there is significant new information, however, with the Ministry's recently announced Provincial Task Force to review Paediatrics, no further decisions should occur until the results of the review are received.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the above, the Board of Directors recognizes the immediate needs to be addressed in the Department of Paediatrics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provisions for addressing the service needs for PDA's • provisions for addressing the service needs of Paediatric Heart Catheterization • Continuation of the pursuit for an alternate funding agreement for Paediatrics. CARRIED.
Division of Plastic Surgery	Yes	<p>The Medical Advisory Committee recommends that the new information impacts to a significant extent on the academic mandate and should be reviewed in conjunction with the Office of the Dean of Medicine</p>
Endovascular Aneurysm Surgery	Split Vote	<p>The Medical Advisory Committee recommends that the Endovascular Aneurysm Surgery Program continues at the London Health Sciences Centre subject to Obtaining a secure source of funding from the Ministry of Health.</p> <p>In the interim, the Medical Advisory Committee recommends that the Board of Directors consider limiting Endovascular Aneurysm Surgery to patients from Southwestern Ontario.</p>
Orthopaedic Surgery	Yes	<p>It was the general consensus of the Medical Advisory Committee that the issues presented required further discussion and consideration.</p> <p>Dr. Bourne will be asked to present further information at a subsequent Medical Advisory Committee Meeting.</p>