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OTTAWA RESIDENTS TALK HEALTH SYSTEM PERFORMANCE Ontario Health Quality Council Host First Town Hall

Ottawa – During its first town hall meeting in the province, Ottawa residents told the Ontario Health Quality Council their health system should be accessible, sustainable, patient-centred and community-based.

“The Council believes the quality of the publicly funded health system is the responsibility of every Ontarian. These community meetings provide Ontarians an opportunity to be actively engaged in the dialogue to improve the health care system,” said Ray Hession, Chair, Ontario Health Quality Council.

The community discussion focused around what the attributes of a high performing health care system should be – safe, effective, patient-centred, accessible, efficient, equitable, integrated, appropriately resourced, and focused on population health - as identified in the Council’s first yearly report.

“We look forward to travelling the province and hearing what Ontarians have to say about the performance of their health care system. We will use that information to help us determine what we should be reporting on,” added Hession.

The Ottawa town hall is one of a series of town hall meeting planned across the province. The Council will be holding town hall meetings in London and Thunder Bay, on June 13 and July 12th respectively.

The Ontario Health Quality Council is an independent agency funded by the Government of Ontario through the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. The Council reports directly to Ontarians on access to publicly funded health services, health human resources in publicly funded health services, consumer and population health status, and health system outcomes.

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