

FACILITATED WORKSHOP SESSION EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

The [Algoma Ontario Health Team](#) (AOHT) was approved in 2020 by the Minister of Health under the Connecting Care Act, 2019 with the intention to work together to achieve their shared vision of providing a continuum of integrated health, social and health promotion services to the people of Algoma.

As such, the AOHT has initiated work to improve health and social care coordination in the community, including underserved populations with unmet mental health and addictions issues. The first initiative as part of this work was the [Community Wellness Bus](#) (CWB), which is a mobile outreach model that is grounded in a primary health care approach that addresses physical, mental and social well-being. Having launched in April 2021, the CWB is an important part of the continuum of community-based services for mental health and addictions care; however, given the level of unmet need in the community, there is a need for continued partner collaboration to address homelessness, socioeconomic challenges, and mental health and addictions issues by integrating care across health and social systems.

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To this end, the AOHT is conducting a scan of potential organizations, partners, and vendors to aid and lead an integrated community-based mental health and addictions planning workshop that will outline key opportunities and feasible next steps to advance health and social care in Sault Ste. Marie & Area.

The scope of work includes:

- Develop and facilitate a workshop to advance the strategic direction of mental health and addictions using the recent Integrated Community-based Mental Health and Addictions Report.
- Build off of existing work of the Integrated Community-based Mental Health and Addictions Report and be consistent with the overall goal of improving health and social care coordination in the community.
- Support existing AOHT partners, impacted stakeholders including the Central Addictions & Mental Health Planning Table in the advancement of recommendations of the Integrated Community-based Mental Health and Addictions Report through a facilitated workshop session.
- Utilize a framework for advancing integrated care for community-based mental health services in a way that acknowledges the current state of services and proposes possible next steps over the next three years.

The facilitated session will occur **late-August 2022**, with the above work completed by **30 September 2022**.

Experience

- Experience leading cross-sectoral consultations, including people with lived and living experience.
- Strong facilitation and workshop development experience needed to lead discussion, foster engagement and author follow-up documentation.

- In depth knowledge of the health and social systems, including local health service delivery. Experience in Sault Ste. Marie & Area would be highly desirable.
- Experience influencing systemic change, leading quality improvement, and program design in an established health and social care environment.

Requirements for EOI

Organizations, partners, and vendors may apply to undertake this work in partnership with the AOHT and its partners. Please submit a short (5 pages maximum) EOI detailing your experience, as well as attached CVs for any individuals that would be assigned to this work to outline their experience.

Please submit an EOI to info@algomaht.ca. The AOHT and partners will begin to review submissions on a rolling basis after a two week posting period on 7 JULY 2022.

Next Steps

The AOHT Transformation Office, along with key stakeholders within the AOHT will review the submissions and may organize a meeting with the organizations, partners, and vendor to learn more about their submission. In issuing this EOI, there is no commitment by the AOHT or any of its partners to issue a contract.

A contract may be issued by the Algoma Ontario Health Team (via Sault Area Hospital) as a result of this EOI. In consultation with the successful applicant, the AOHT (via Sault Area Hospital) will utilize the most appropriate contracting method to undertake this work.