

BRIEFING NOTES

DATE: January 3, 2018
TO: KGHPs Working Group
FROM: CME Steering Committee
RE: DEVELOPMENT OF KGH CME ACTIVITIES

BACKGROUND

After a period of diminishing interest and participation, Grand Rounds ceased in January 2017. Brent Parker, MSc, was engaged to perform an environmental scan of the current state of CME across the province which included consultation with the leadership of the KGH Physicians Society. In his report, Mr. Parker highlighted the historical context of CME at KGH, factors influencing the delivery of and attendance at Grand Rounds which included political, administrative, economic, environmental and social factors. In October 2017, a survey was designed and distributed in order to gain an understanding of the extent of interest that specialists have in attending grand rounds, what time(s) would be preferred and what learning formats were preferred.

SYNOPSIS OF SUB-COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS

The CME Steering Committee met on December 22, 2017 in order to review the survey findings and begin development of 'go-forward' plan. Based upon survey feedback, well focused ½ day professional development sessions were suggested, with the first session potentially taking place in April 2018. Utilization of the KGHPs website to provide information on upcoming CME events was strongly favoured as was the use of the e-bulletin board near the physician's lounge at KGH to promote these events. It was recognized that there was a need for a physician lead for this initiative as well as some administrative support.

RECOMMENDATION

The CME Steering Committee is recommending that further work be undertaken with a view to potentially providing three or four educational sessions throughout the year. Dr. Glynn Jones has agreed to act as Project Lead for this initiative. Factors that are to be reviewed include website management for CME events, providing online and on-site topics such as intensive care, cardiology, general internal medicine as well as other topics that are of interest to physicians and non-physicians, as well as providing an avenue for participation for both urban and rural physicians.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS (START UP)

Sessional fees: Physician Lead 4 hours per week / 26 weeks	\$16,264
Fees: H. Wendt, Admin Support 3-4 hrs per week/ 26 weeks	<u>\$2,730 - \$3,640</u>
Total	18,994 - \$19,904