Central Health Board of Trustees Board Chair Report June 2021

I'm pleased to share highlights from our open board meeting, held June 29, 2021.

We were honoured and humbled to have one of our Board Trustees, Ms. Judy White, provide a session on Cultural Awareness with the Board of Trustees and Senior Management Team. Her presentation gave us an opportunity to have an open discussion which will, hopefully lead us all to a place where everyone has a better understanding of the past and current impacts on Indigenous peoples in Canada.

COVID-19 vaccinations continue and clinics are being set up in the Central Health region on an ongoing basis to ensure that anyone who wants to be vaccinated can receive a vaccination. I encourage all of you, if you haven't already to please book your first and second dose.

New medical bylaws were approved in May and since then we have announced several physician leadership positions that have been filled. We would like to congratulate all new members of the physician leadership team. There are a few positions where recruitment is ongoing, and these are expected to be filled over the coming weeks.

We have also implemented our new Regional Medical Advisory Committee which meets on a regular basis. Along with quality related items, this committee has responsibility for recommending privileging and credentialing for physicians within the RHA. The Board also has formed a new sub-committee of the Board, the Appointments and Privileging Committee.

The Board would like to extend its gratitude to the South and Central Health Foundations and the Central Northeast Health Foundation for their unwavering support of Central Health and the people of Central.

The next open board meeting will be the Central Health's AGM, scheduled for September 21, 2021.

Don Sturge Chair, Central Health Board of Trustees