



Building and Accelerating Implementation at Health PEI



Transformation Forum

March 11, 2025

Health PEI

How We Will Use Our Time

Agenda

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| 01 | Key Accomplishments | 5 min |
| 02 | Workstream Deep Dives | 35 min |
| 03 | Q&A | 20 min |
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Session Objectives

- ✓ Provide updates on progress to date and establish a path forward



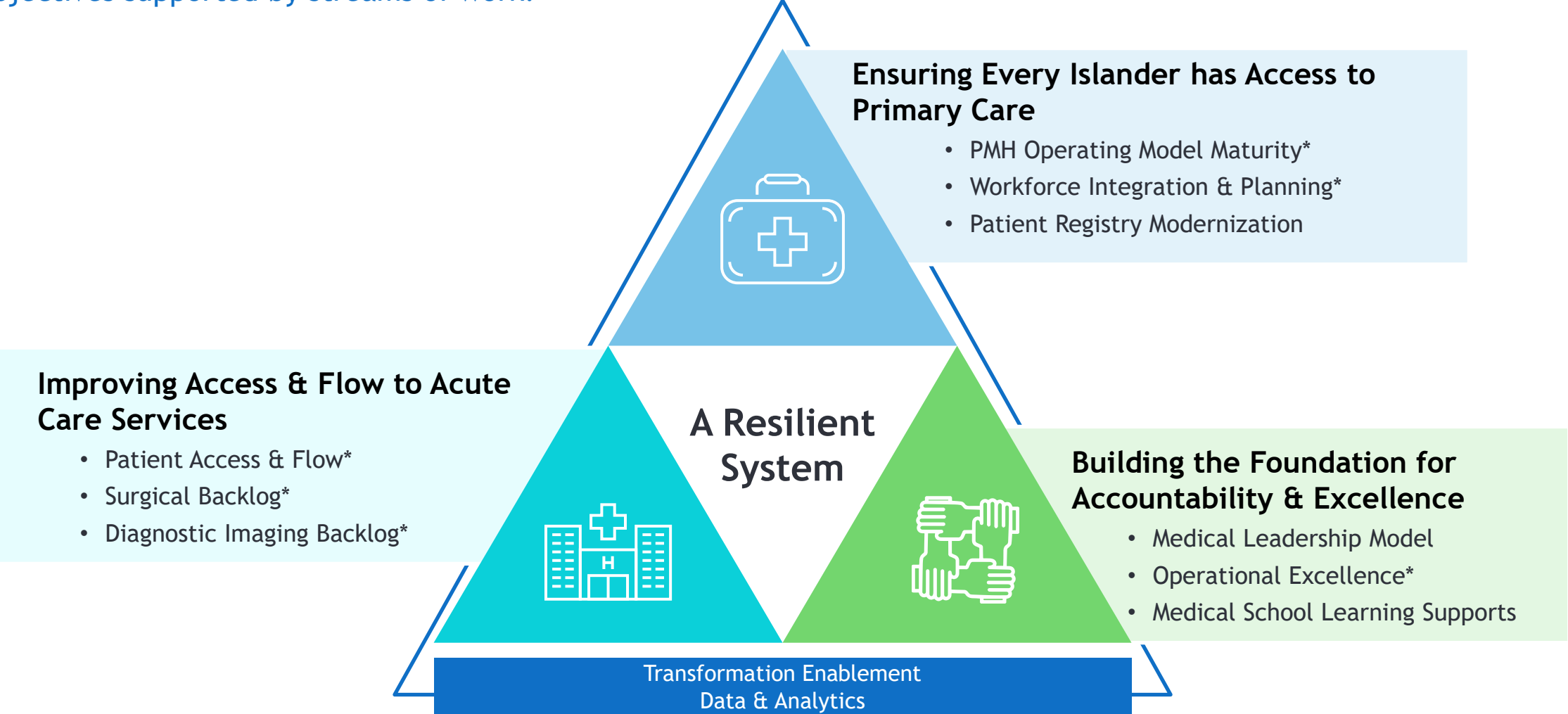
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Key Accomplishments



Our Transformation Framework

Our transformation aims to build a resilient health system through a dedicated focus on three key objectives supported by streams of work.



*KPMG supporting workstream

Celebrating Successes

Kudos to the teams who worked on these projects!



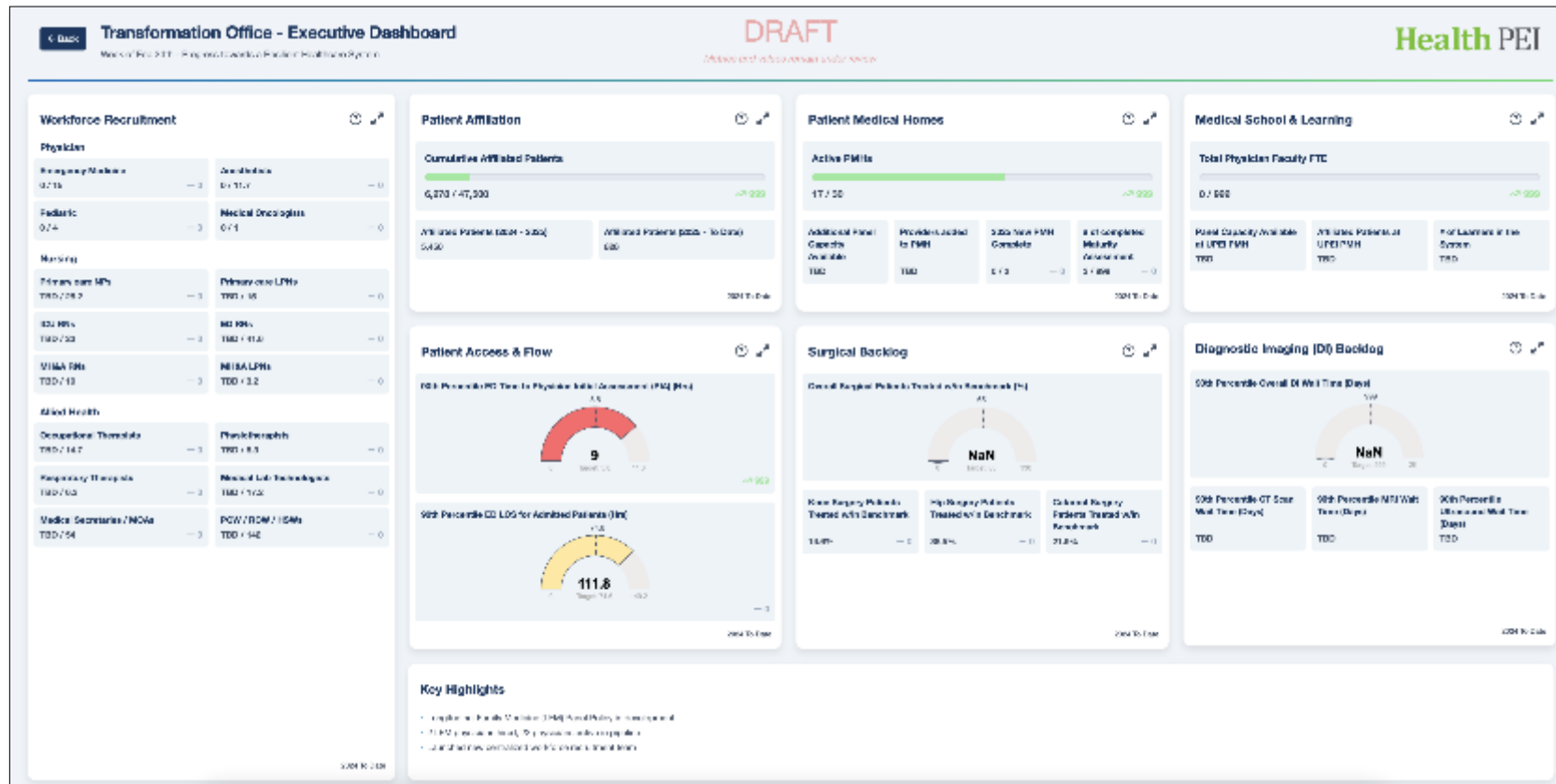
The Patient Access and Flow WS kicked-off **Discharge Rounds** at PCH



The PMH WS Developed **Maturity Assessment facilitation guide** based on 3 PMH Maturity Model **Pilot Assessments** conducted

Dashboards

The TO Team are finalizing an Executive Dashboard for the TO workstreams that will support progress tracking and reporting.



NOTE: Dashboard still under development

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Workstream Deep Dives



Workstream: Patient Registry Modernization

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments

- ✓ 6,661 Islanders affiliated to Primary Care from Jan 2024 to date, (1,211 affiliated YTD 2025)
- ✓ 6,201 patients inactivated from Jan 2024 to date
- ✓ Panel identification:
 - Patient Charts completed to date: 89%
- ✓ Collaborative affiliation:
 - Patient Affiliation from the Patient Registry Standard Operating Procedure is completed, streamlining the process to assigning patients to providers
 - Top Affiliation Opportunity list completed
 - Medical Affairs and Primary Care engaged to initiate
 - 2025 Affiliation Goal: 10,000 affiliated patients

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Patient Registry enhancements for March 31
 - Group email and the ability to have patients update their own information twice annually
 - Connections to EMR to identify if a new applicant is already affiliated
 - Unaffiliated patient engagement initiatives begin in April
- Collaborative Affiliation
 - Establish affiliation schedules with 10 providers by the end of March
 - Initiate Nurse Practitioner engagement for affiliation
 - Graphically illustrate the affiliation pathway to 50,000 patients

Key Risks & Decision Points

- Delay to enhanced interface with Provincial EMR due to existing TELUS priorities.
- Ability to efficiently update patient profiles due to anticipated timeframe to integrate a Portal to the Patient Registry

Patient Registry: Milestone Overview

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Data Integrity (Patient Registry automation) / Data Validation (Panel Identification process)	Prov. EMR Integration delayed (automation) Mar 31: Full project completion (Panel ID)	At risk	Kyle
Modernized patient registry	Mar 31: Enhancement implementation Apr 15 Unaffiliated patient engagement	At risk	Kyle
Patient Collaborative Affiliation Program	2025 Target: 10,000 patients Jan - Mar Goal: 2,500 patients Apr - Jun Goal: 3,000 patients	On track	Kyle

Workstream: Workforce Integration & Planning

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments

- ✓ Began interviews with candidates to fill 13 open recruitment team roles
- ✓ Hired new Manager, Recruitment Operations
- ✓ Presented new forum design and agenda for the transition command tables to the Medical Affairs Office
- ✓ Completed internal review of future state process maps for recruitment process optimization. Reviewed physician recruitment process with recruiters and MAO
- ✓ Drafted urgent plan for getting expressions of interest (EOI) to PEI residents

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Complete remaining interviews for sourcing, recruitment specialists, coordinators on new recruitment team
- Revise IEN and nursing process maps and RACI charts for recruitment process optimization
- Finalize 2025 events calendar
- Engage HPEI physician leadership for contacting residents/residency program
- Build out hires targets for Physician, Nursing, and Allied Health (current to 2027) - ongoing

Key Risks & Decision Points

- Team vulnerability due to staffing vacancies in recruitment team and ongoing transition work
- Delays to recruitment process optimization due to limited TO/recruitment team capacity
- Urgent EOI recruitment initiative requires re-prioritization of project activities

Workforce Integration & Planning: Milestone Overview

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
People transition & change management	Feb 2025	Urgent	Seb (KPMG)
Recruitment process optimization	Mar 2025	Urgent	Licinia
ATS Implementation	Mar 2025	At-risk	Licinia
Transition recruitment command tables	Apr 2025	At-risk	Pape (Pico)
Asset transfers and integration	Mar 2025	On-track	Licinia
Incentive program transfers & integration	Mar 2025	At-risk	Pape (Pico)
CRM optimization	Mar 2025	On-track	Alex
Interim physician applicant tracker / dashboard / reporting	TBD	On-track	Alex
Recruitment operations supports	Ongoing	Urgent	Pape (Pico)

Update on Urgent Items:

- Bi-weekly Huddle with Workforce team
- Obtained locum support reach out
- Prioritized workflow reviews with recruitment team pods
- Gradual roll out of EOIs: 2nd Year PEI Residents, 1st Year PEI Residents, Residents captured in Zoho

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments

- ✓ Panel ID: ~90% of records identified
- ✓ Conducted 3 PMH Maturity Model Pilot Assessments - Harbourside HC, Kinlock MC, and Cornwall-Crapaud
- ✓ Drafted and finalizing the Maturity Assessment facilitation guide
- ✓ Updated the PMH Implementation Playbook based on stakeholder input
- ✓ Conducted Implementation Playbook walk-through sessions for Queen Street PMH, UPEI PMH, and Cornwall PMH
- ✓ PMH Task Force is meeting weekly and using new tracker to update new and previous action items
- ✓ Reconciled self-reported staffing data with Peoplesoft HR records, accurately map positions to respective PMH within in their respective network.

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Complete Panel IDs
- Panel Policy and PSA Implementation
- Finalize and hand-off PMH Implementation Playbook
- Finalize and hand-off Maturity Assessment materials
- Support the PMH Provincial Plan hand-off

Key Risks & Decision Points

- Panel ID incomplete before PSA implementation
- Panel Policy and PSA implementation for Apr 1
- High staff turnover and vacancy rates within PMHs, including vacant medical leadership roles
- Continued challenges related to data quality and accuracy, although improvements have been made

Patient Medical Homes: Milestone Overview

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Understanding Capacity of Existing PMHs & PSA Implementation	Mar/Apr 2025	at-risk	Imran Sheikh, Kim Lawn
Operating Model Implementation	Mar 2025 (Model) Mar 2025 (KPIs)	on-track	Imran Sheikh
Playbook Implementation	Mar 2025, Ongoing	on-track	Imran Sheikh
Provincial Plan Implementation	Mar 2025, ongoing	at-risk	Imran Sheikh
Maturity Model and Assessments	Mar 2025	On-track	Imran Sheikh
Enablers	Ongoing	At-risk	Imran Sheikh

Update on Urgent Items:

- Set up PSA Implementation Pace Setting Meetings with representatives from the TO, Medical Affairs, and HR to track progress against the PSA Implementation Critical Path plan and address any risks/issues that may arise

Workstream: Medical School Learning Supports

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments:

- ✓ Health System Integration meetings continue between UPEI/MUN Regional campus partners and Health PEI: Discussed UGME pathway
- ✓ Held Med Ed Team meeting to review Health System Integration work to date and to review the Gap Analysis
- ✓ Created a framework for a workplan/next steps for the Med Ed Team as it relates to roles and responsibilities
- ✓ Met with Capital Planning and Professional Practice teams to discuss need for simulation space
- ✓ Continue to meet with Capital Planning, PMH, Medical Affairs, UPEI, and Med. Ed to discuss medical learners in the system. Sharing updated info and creating a system plan
- ✓ Conducted physician engagement session with Hospitalists (QEH/PCH) and Obs/Gyne (PCH)

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Continue to plan physician engagement sessions with IM, Psychiatry, Obs/Gyne (QEH)
- Participate in Health System Integration Meeting UPEI/HPEI to review potential future state for Med Ed "Clerkship"
- Seek a decision on Clerkship Model UPEI/MUN Regional Campus to assist in the development of student learning activities/planning
- Reach a decision on Renumeration Model as it pertains to Clinical Teaching/Renumeration Committee

Key Risks & Decision Points

- Physician Compensation: The Renumeration committee has made recommendations for non-clinical teaching year 1 and 2 and needs to be approved
- Physician Engagement: We will need to continually engage physicians as the Medical School planning continues
- There is limited infrastructure (physical) to support Medical Learners both in PMH and Acute Care. This can impact Physicians ability and desire to support Medical Students learning opportunities

MSLS: Milestone Overview

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Develop joint physician engagement plan	Feb 2025	On-track	Maribeth Ryan
Program Monitoring Plan	Feb 2025	On-track	Maribeth Ryan
Health System Integration Plan	Apr 2025	Ongoing, at-risk	Maribeth Ryan
Outline Faculty Compensation and Funding Plan	Mar 2025	Ongoing, at-risk	Maribeth Ryan
Infrastructure and Facilities Planning Assessing the need for clinical space, learner space and housing accommodations to support medical learners during their placements. (PMH and UPEI FoM Building)	Mar 2025	Ongoing, at-risk	Maribeth Ryan

Workstream: Patient Access & Flow

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments:

- ✓ Conducted Future State LTC Placement Process Workshop
- ✓ Identified and validated 3-5 key “quick wins” that will support the implementation of the LTC future state placement process
- ✓ Supported development of the Access and Flow Executive Dashboard, ensuring consistent language and definitions of key metric's
- ✓ Conducted on-site workshop for Discharge Round design with PCH
- ✓ Launched Discharge Rounds at PCH on Surgical and Medicine Units on Mar 10, 2025

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Draft finalized LTC Placement Process Future State Map with clear roles and timelines between key tasks
- Develop materials and tools to support the 3-5 key “quick wins”
- Conduct on-site workshop for Discharge Round design with QEH
- Prepare key tools and supporting documents based on the outcomes of the Discharge Round workshop with QEH
- Monitor dashboard development and ensure data accessibility

Key Risks & Decision Points

- LTC / Community Care expansion efforts occurring in parallel to transformation efforts to streamline the LTC Placement Process Modernization
- Site level SWAT initiative ongoing in parallel at PCH and will be ongoing in parallel at QEH in the coming months which restricts availability of staff for unit-based approaches to tightening rounding/discharging
- Lack of HPEI resources to support select Steer-Co approved opportunities in the immediate future: focusing on top 3 milestones initially - there are 7 milestones in total

Workstream: Patient Access & Flow

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Simplify transition to LTC	Apr 2025	Ongoing, On track	KPMG, TO, Trevor Waugh, Crystal Praught (DHW Advisor: Christina Phillips) (Strategic Advisor: Andrew MacDougall)
Implement a home first strategy	Mar 2025	Ongoing, On track	TO, Donna Daniec, Crystal Praught (Strategic Advisor: Andrew MacDougall)
Reduce LOS by tightening rounding and discharge processes	Mar 2025	Ongoing, On track	KPMG, TO, Donna Daniec, Ken Farion
Strengthen and expand escalation/push protocol	Mar 2025	Ongoing, On track	Ken Farion
Maximize LTC capacity	N/A		TBD
Expand allied health coverage	N/A		Dylana Arsenault / Colin Hood
Leverage alternative options for the ED	N/A		Kim Lawn

Workstream: Surgical Backlog

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments:

- ✓ Presented updates and proposed guidelines to the Provincial Surgical Services Committee (PSSC) and QEH OR Committee
- ✓ Launched guidelines on Mar 10, 2025:
 - Booking Policy: Ensuring elective OR time is fully booked at least 2 weeks in advance.
 - OR Cuts and Offered Time: Transparent process to cut OR time due to staffing shortages and offer available time in an equitable manner.
 - Historical Booking Time: Consistent use of the historical procedure time to inform minimum scheduled duration.
- ✓ Drafted recommendations for the OR nursing staffing model
- ✓ Drafted ambulatory and outpatient expansion recommendations
- ✓ Supported dashboard development

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Support launch and monitor impact of proposed guidelines
- Continue developing staffing model and ambulatory / outpatient expansion recommendations by conducting field observations in OR
- Develop coordinated staff scheduling process and engage stakeholders to reduce incidences of OR cuts
- Draft proposed block scheduling review process and engage stakeholders to improve OR time allocation using data.
- Monitor dashboard development

Key Risks & Decision Points

- N/A

Workstream: Surgical Backlog

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Standardize procedures and guidelines	Apr 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Patrick, Cindy & Julie Support: Pieter
Draft model to assess block schedule effectiveness	Mar 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Patrick, Donna Support: Sara
Revised staffing model proposal	Apr 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Cindy, Julie Support: Sara
Ambulatory surgical guidelines and proposal for expansion	Apr 2025	Ongoing, at-risk	Patrick, Donna Support: Sara
Revise emergency case process	Apr 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Patrick, Donna Support: Sara
Recommendations for coordinated staff scheduling	Apr 2025	On-track	Daphne
Expand surgical capacity	N/A	On hold	Dylana
Centralized waitlist management	N/A	On hold	Dylana/TB

Workstream: Diagnostic Imaging Backlog

Progress To-Date

Key Accomplishments:

- ✓ Drafted staffing model to align operational capacity to patient demand and address backlogs
- ✓ Engaged team to develop the waitlist validation plan
- ✓ Received verbal approval for funding of MRI Siemens AI
- ✓ Moncton MRI partnership launched by DI department
- ✓ Supported dashboard development

Path Forward

Next Steps

- Finalize staffing model proposal
- Engage team to finalize waitlist validation plan; investigate funding for resource and accelerated implementation
- Develop implementation plan for the MRI Siemens AI and begin actioning the plan
- Continue to monitor and support dashboard development

Key Risks & Decision Points

- Decision: Waiting on ITSS approval for MRI Siemens AI (anticipated week of Mar 10)

Workstream: Diagnostic Imaging Backlog

Milestone	Month Due	Status	Lead
Revised staffing model proposal	Apr 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Gailyne MacPherson Support: Caroline
Waitlist validation process	Mar 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Gailyne MacPherson Support: Pieter & Caroline
Optimized scanning protocols	Jun 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Gailyne MacPherson & Mike Kilcup Support: Pieter
Support partnership to expand facility	Feb 2025	Ongoing, on-track	Gailyne MacPherson & Julie Sinclair
Centralized provincial queue management	N/A	On hold	Dylana / Treasury Board

Q&A



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Appendix

Access & Flow: Overview of Potential Opportunities

Opportunity	
1	Expanded Home First Strategy: HomeFirst Strategy to shift more discharges towards home with expanded supports.
2	Simplify Transition to LTC: This may include adding resources, expanding eligibility, reducing delays from review committee, etc.
3	Maximize LTC Capacity (out-of-scope): This may include exploring new models of care, providing enhanced training & supports, expanding bed capacity, refining financial incentives, etc.
4	Reduce LOS by Tightening Rounding & Discharge Processes: Standardize and increase rigor and frequency of multidisciplinary discharge-focused discussions (e.g., enforce EDD, offer transportation, enforce 11AM target discharge, etc.).
5	Expand Allied Health Coverage: Ensure consistent staffing and weekend availability of allied health professionals to reduce deterioration and delays to discharge.
6	Strengthen & Expand Escalation / Push Protocol: This can include roll-out at PCH, ensure readiness for hallway patients in Medicine.
7	Leverage Alternative Options for the ED: Implement telemedicine services and community-based clinics to connect patients with emergency medical professionals for non-life-threatening issues.

**Source: P.E.I. announces funding for 54 new long-term care beds, with bed fees to rise 29% | CBC News*

Surgical Backlog: Overview of Potential Opportunities

Opportunity	
1	Standardize Procedures and Guidelines: Establish guidelines for sequencing of cases, OR cuts/cancellations, timely booking elective cases, and historical booking time duration.
2	Optimize Block Schedule Review Process: Use a data-driven approach to facilitate review of OR time allocation to surgical specialties based on patient need, while minimizing equipment and resource conflicts.
3	Optimize Staffing Model: Explore staffing model alternatives to enable staff to work to full scope of practice and improve workflow through additional roles (i.e., clinical extenders, OR techs, anesthesia assistants).
4	Expand Ambulatory Surgery Procedures: Shift procedures from inpatient to outpatient where possible.
5	Optimize Access for Emergency Cases: Revise the process for emergency cases, including priority level definitions and procedures for scheduling.
6	Coordinate Staff Scheduling: Ensure allocation and scheduling of anesthesia and nursing is coordinated to optimize efficient patient flow.
7	Explore Options to Expand Surgical Capacity: Increase surgical capacity through increased hours of operations (i.e., funded OR hours, blitzes) and partnerships for specific procedures.
8	Waitlist Management: Ensure centralized digital waitlist management is in place to prioritize patients based on the urgency of their procedure.

DI Backlog: Overview of Potential Opportunities

Opportunity	
1	Optimize Staffing Model: Explore staffing model ratios and alternatives to build in interdisciplinary redundancies for anticipated workforce fluctuations and reductions.
2	Waitlist Validation: Clean up the waitlist removing patients who no longer require diagnostic imaging (e.g., received imaging elsewhere, moved out of province, received an intervention, etc.).
3	Optimization of Scan Protocols: Optimize MRI scan protocols to reduce exam durations .
4	Partnerships to Expand Capacity: Explore partnerships with other provinces and private imaging clinics to help clear the backlog.
5	Provincial Queue Management: Centralized intake to manage DI requisitions, ensuring equitable distribution of resources and clear insights into wait times.