



Staff Report to Council - for Information

Title: International Roundtable Community Paramedicine Conference

From: Steve Schaus, Director/Chief, Paramedic Services

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Report Purpose:

This report is for information.

Report Summary:

Brad Jackson, Commander Community Paramedicine will represent the County of Bruce at the 20th International Roundtable on Community Paramedicine in Quebec City on June 7-8, 2024.

Background:

The 20th International Roundtable of Community Paramedicine is being held in Canada this year. Networking with other community paramedicine organizations from around the world will give our program some new insight and possible opportunities to enhance and or improve on the already successful program we currently have.

Community Paramedicine is a model of care whereby paramedics apply their specialized education and skills in non-traditional community-based environments outside of the usual emergency response/transport model. The community paramedic practices in an expanded role, working in non-traditional roles using existing skills.

Paramedics; educators; community paramedics; paramedic service administrators, chiefs, executive directors, and others typically from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States are delegates for the meeting. They will discuss the contemporary models of Community Paramedicine in their country, and report successes (including research) in the areas of planning, implementing, and evaluating these systems.

Established in 2005, the mission of IRCP is to spread community paramedicine across the world. This is accomplished primarily by facilitating international meetings. IRCP rotates its meetings between Australia, Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom; we meet in each country every four years.

The supporting organizations are the Association of Ambulance Chief Executives and the College of Paramedics of the United Kingdom, the Council of Ambulance Authorities of Australasia, the National EMS Management Association of the United States, and the

Paramedic Chiefs of Canada. The last two roundtables were held in Orlando, FL and Nottingham, UK.

Commander Jackson's work in Community Paramedicine has been noticed provincially and he has been nominated for an award at the upcoming conference, Hyper Connect 2024 being held May 24, 2024, in Toronto.

Commander Jackson has also been invited to be a guest speaker for the **Change Management Panel** during the event.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

The cost for attending the conference will be covered within the existing community paramedicine budget allocation.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

None

Link to Strategic Goals and Objectives:

Community and Partnerships - Enhance and grow partnerships

Link to Departmental Plan Goals and Objectives, if any:

Service Excellence - Community Paramedicine

Approved for Submission:

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