Terms of Reference

OPHNL –Strategic Alliances Working Group

Members/Composition

Members of OPHNL will be asked to express interest to participate in the Strategic Alliances Working Group. Membership of the working group will comprise of at least one member of the OPHNL Executive. Individuals expressing interest to participate in the group will be accepted on a first come, first served based. A total of eight to ten members can form the membership of this workgroup.

One of the regional representatives from the OPHNL Executive will chair the Working Group.

Term of Membership

The working group members will meet monthly via teleconference for 2-3 hours for approximately four months starting April 2016. Additional ad-hoc meetings may be organized by individuals within the working group to achieve tasks. The working group will meet its deliverables by approximately late September 2016.

Purpose

The purpose of the Strategic Alliances Working Group is to identify key strategic relationships that the OPHNL needs to form and/or strengthen as a new association. The OPHNL describes its strategic direction on relationships as follows:

* Build and collaborate with strategic partners to advocate for nursing practice to improve health and support system transformation
* Determine system level priorities and develop a work plan to address these priorities, including participation at system level stakeholder consultations
* Collaborate with schools of nursing to ensure nursing curriculum includes public health

Goals

1. Identify checklist(s)/framework which will help OPHNL evaluate which strategic alliances to embark on and to evaluate/monitor existing alliances
2. Identify and develop a matrix of potential strategic alliances that the OPHNL can embark on to achieve its strategic direction on relationships as listed above. Also, review the system level impact strategic direction of OPHNL to identify additional potential alliances which will help us enhance interactions with key stakeholders to address system level issues related to public health nursing, population health and social determinants of health
3. Provide a prioritized list of potential alliances that the OPHNL can embark on in the immediate and long term

Deliverables

1. Framework to guide decision-making on relationships to embark on or maintain for the OPHNL
2. Identification of a prioritized list of potential relationships OPHNL can pursue in the immediate and long term

Communications

The primary mode of communication will be via teleconference meetings. In addition, the working group may use basecamp/electronic means to post comments and ideas on relevant tools and documents created by the working group

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