

Strategic Planning Framework Brief

Consultation Objectives

The Strategic Planning Framework and Start Up Operational Plan builds upon previous work and confirms the Vision, Mission, Mandate as well as the Core Principles that will guide the work of the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion (OAHPP). The December 2008 Strategic Planning Framework also provides an operational update to the work that has been underway since the inception of the OAHPP including the recruitment of the President and CEO just over 7 months ago.

The Strategic Planning Framework and Start Up Operational Plan is not intended to be the formal three year plan. It is anticipated that through the engagement of key public health stakeholders about strategic priorities, further input related to specific activities and priorities will be gathered to inform the multi-year strategic planning process.

It is anticipated through these consultations as well as other stakeholder meetings including government, providers and associations a three year plan will be developed for approval.

Context

OAHPP was created in legislation which received Royal Assent in June 2007. Following the inception of the OAHPP, Dr. David Walker, was appointed the Chair of the Board on June 27, 2007 and the founding Board of Directors was appointed in July 2007. The OAHPP's first President & CEO, Dr. Vivek Goel was appointed effective, July 1, 2008 and since that time much of the OAHPP's activities have focused on start up – recruitment of founding leaders as well as the transfer of the Ontario public health laboratories.

Finalized in December 2008, the Strategic Planning Framework and Start Up Operational Plan Framework draws on early priorities identified in the Agency Implementation Task Force and multiple other prior reports. It also reflects on a number of emerging priorities that have been identified over the last year.

Vision, Mission, Mandate

A proposed Vision, Mission and Mandate was proposed by the Agency Implementation Task Force in their final report. After careful review, the following Vision, Mission and Mandate was confirmed by the OAHPP Board.

Vision

We will be an internationally recognized centre of expertise dedicated to the protection and promotion of the health of all Ontarians, through the application and advancement of science and knowledge.

Mission

We are accountable to support healthcare providers, the public health system and partner Ministries in making informed decisions and taking informed action to improve the health and security of all Ontarians, through the transparent and timely provision of credible scientific advice and practical tools.

Mandate

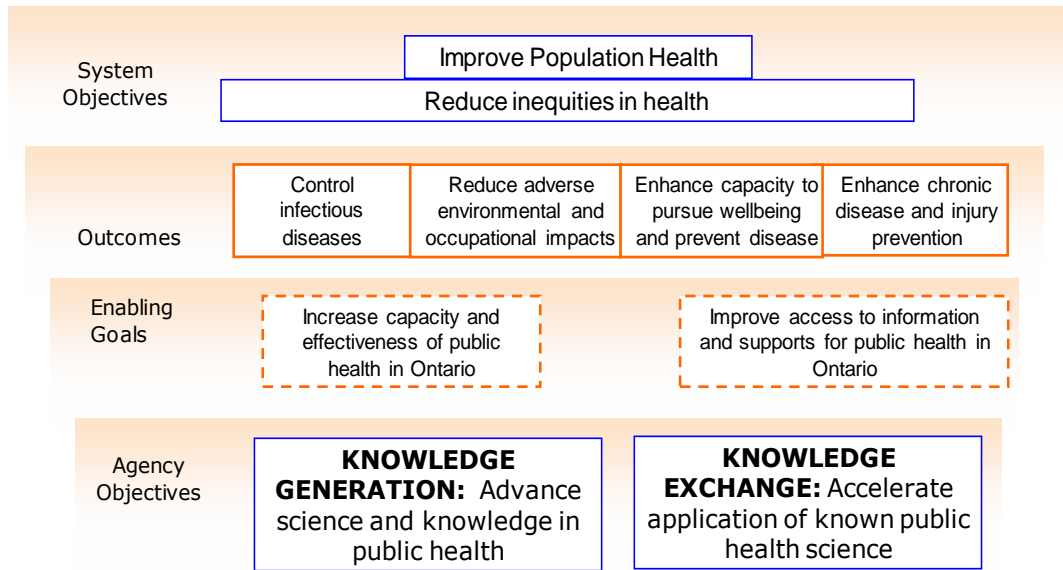
To provide scientific and technical advice for those working to protect and promote the health of Ontarians

The Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion is mindful that in order to achieve its goals, it must foster a collaborative relationship with their clients which include government, the public health community and healthcare providers to ensure an organization that is provincial in scope that responds to local needs as well as providing linkages to both national and international agencies. This collaborative approach is essential to support the OAHPP principles but also to create innovative partnerships that can benefit Ontario as a whole.

This approach is required to support the following principles:

- Reducing inequities in health through a population approach
- The One Health Model – linking environmental, animal and human health
- Whole Person Approach to Health Promotion
- Bridging Bench Research to Populations
- Applying eHealth innovations to advance public health

This model can be seen in the following diagram that outlines the OAHPP's Objectives, Enabling Goals and Outcomes along with the System Objectives.



The later part of the Strategic Planning Framework and Start Up Operational Plan outlines those activities related to the OAHPP outcomes that are already underway against the following outcomes:

- Control Infectious Disease
- Reduce Adverse Environmental and Occupational Impacts
- Enhance capacity to pursue Well Being and Prevent Disease
- Enhance Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention

We know that while much has been accomplished, there much more to do. While there has been lots of work in developing the structure and foundation of the OAHPP, it is time now to look outward to foster/create partnerships with all of our clients in meeting our objectives.

Approach to Consultations

The Executive and Senior Management team of the OAHPP, will be engaging with public health units over April and May to facilitate input on the three year plan. In addition to this opportunity, the OAHPP can receive your input through a web based survey coming out in April.

It is expected that these consultation will help the OAHPP develop/confirm priorities and activities that the OAHPP can undertake to support its clients in reaching its objectives. We will be looking for specific input on the functional activities that will support the activities related to our outcomes. In some areas, the activities have been defined whereas in other areas, we are looking for your input on the specific activities as well as priorities from your perspective on what the OAHPP can undertake that would be most helpful in achieving these outcomes.

It is anticipated that learning from the local experience will help guide the provincial solutions and innovations.