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TERMS OF REFERENCE	
	COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Role or Purpose	The Community Advisory Committee's (CAC) role is to provide input and perspectives on matters that impact Niagara Health. The CAC will also provide input on issue-specific matters as identified by the Board from time to time regarding current and emerging issues facing Niagara Health.
Objectives	<ul> <li>Provide feedback and advice on ideas for initiatives and programs that enhance the mandate of Niagara Health.</li> <li>Provide advice on Niagara Health's community engagement plans and participate as appropriate.</li> <li>Serve as a resource for communication to and from the community on matters such as, but not limited to:         <ul> <li>Key challenges, changing population needs and emerging innovations/opportunities in healthcare,</li> <li>Implementation of Niagara Health's strategic plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Decision-Making	The CAC provides input. The CAC does not have formal decision-making powers or veto. On occasion, the CAC may be asked to give recommendations to the Board.
Membership and Terms	The Committee shall be appointed by the Board and comprised of the following:
	a) Two (2) members of the Board of Directors, one of whom will Chair the CAC;
	b) Maximum of eight (8) non-Board CAC members;
	c) President of Niagara Health (or designate from time to time).
	Appointments and terms shall be established by the Board.
	In keeping with Niagara Health's Meeting Attendance policy, if a member is absent for two consecutive meetings, the Chair or designate shall discuss the reasons for the absences with the member in order to assess their commitment to continue.
Meeting Frequency	The CAC may meet at least four (4) times per year or at the call of the Chair or as
	requested by the Board.
	A copy of the minutes shall be circulated to the CAC.
	An annual calendar of meeting dates will be established and communicated.
Quorum	Quorum is a majority of the members in attendance, provided that at least one member of the Board is present.
Support	The CAC will be supported by the Executive Vice-President Quality, Community
	Development & Mental Health and Addictions.
Reporting	The CAC shall report to the Quality Committee of the Niagara Health Board of Directors.
Date of Last Review	September 27, 2016
	The Niagara Health Board will review these Terms of Reference Annually.