

**Report to the Board from
Community Advisory Council
September 1, 2009
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Since being appointed in June, the Community Advisory Council has met three times. The main purpose of these meetings has been both information gathering and determining the mandate/terms of reference and operation of the Council. As part of the information gathering, we have had presentations from the Toronto East General Hospital Community Advisory Committee who shared with us useful information on their processes and best practices and from Mike Mueller, Dr Wright and Anne Marie Males who briefed the Council on key issues at TSH.

The upcoming year promises to be quite busy and interesting for the Council. Coming out of our meeting with Mike, Dr Wright and Anne Marie the list of issues to discuss, work with or provide feedback to the hospital administration and Board of Directors include:

- the Strategic Plan,
- the Community Engagement Strategy,
- the Clinical Plan,
- the interaction with the CE LHIN, and
- overall hospital/broader healthcare funding.

In addition, there will be a large number of issues brought forth by the community to discuss.

We are hopeful that in the next month we will finalize our mandate/terms of reference and Council operations. Once this is completed, we will begin regularly scheduled meetings.