

December 17th  
CSMC meeting  
from 7:30-8:30pm at  
2132 Queensgrove Rd., near Woodroffe/Carling.

Present: Leslie Ashton, Mary Beatty, Stephanie Caron, Erin Yamazaki, Julia Driedger

**1) Midwifery clinic updates/needs/direction for 2007-2008 (5 practices with 5 csmc reps/5 midwife reps)**

Collective: No major updates at this point. Julia Driedger is working on a new webpage for the Collective and is seeking 5 line testimonials from clients to put on the webpage.

Madawaska: No updates

MGO: Nothing new

Prescott/Russell: staying there for a year and they are set up, up and running.

OVM: Kristin Stevens wants group to get involved in letter writing campaign to get more privileges at QC Hospital.

St Lawrence Valley/Winchester: Christy has written a letter to support opening a second practice rather than a satellite office.

**Finances:** Leslie went to the bank to deposit \$360, but it looks as though all the paperwork hasn't gone through so it couldn't be done today.

BACN email: when should we send out emails? It will be separate from the regular emails so people can delete them if they want or whatever.

Also, what about putting a link on the email to a page for businesses supporting midwifery? Leslie will contact Christy to see about getting this on the webpage. Lactation consultants, doulas, Ottawa Valley Doula's, yoga, TENS machine rentals, milk face, extraordinary baby shop.

**Wedding Show:** No updates from Ileana. Mary will contact Ileana to try to find out. Wedding show is March 29-30 at Landsdowne. Worst case scenario is to get out pamphlets into bags at the Wedding Show.

Erin Shaheen has talked with U of O, Planned Parenthood and trying to figure out who at Algonquin to talk with to speak to students to get the word out there.

Right now there are spots for pregnant women, there are few waiting lists. You can get in at any time in your pregnancy.

Is there a way to talk to doctor's groups to educate them from a consumer level. A doctor's group. **Does anyone know of a doctor's group?**

**LHIN Update:** Sheila is really informed from a consumer perspective. Betty-Anne is involved as a midwife. There is no update at this point.

**QC Hospital:** Kristin would like us to lobby the hospital to get the hospital to give more privileges. There are only 4 midwives at this point. Mary asked Kristin to write the letter, send it to the CSMC group and then put more pressure on the hospital. QC does not encourage VBACS and are hesitant and resistant. There is a lot of work to do at the QC.

**Upcoming Info Session:** January 9, 2008 @ Mothercraft, is all set with similar people as the cancelled one. Whole families will be there to talk including husbands. That was feedback from previous sessions. Blackburn Hamlet is the next in early February at the Children's Welcome Centre. She is also working on Winchester to Cornwall info session. Suggestion to put 3 dates on the posters so that women can see that there

are more than one. Stephanie is going to put it in the Citizen and she will look at having it posted on her work's site (Health Canada )

**Can other Consumers post this type of stuff at their works on the electronic notice boards?**

**The onsies are almost sold out and Sheila will be ordering more. Mary suggested ordering t-shirts for the picnic for older children, so it is not just for babies.** Collective, MGO and Prescott-Russell have the onsies.

**Next meeting is January 21, 2008 at 7:30 at 1473 Brule Ave (Bank Riverside)**