Announcing the Launch of the Huron Perth Newborn Care Clinic (HPNCC)

The following message is from Justine Wilson, Registered Midwife of Stratford Midwives and Senior Midwife at Stratford General Hospital:

Dear Colleagues,

The HPA-OHT is pleased to announce the launch of the Huron Perth Newborn Care Clinic (HPNCC), an OHT-led initiative developed to address regional gaps in early infant feeding support and bilirubin follow-up care for newborns with neonatal jaundice.

Infants within the first 10 days of life may be referred to the HPNCC for:

- Feeding concerns and lactation support
- Neonatal jaundice assessment
- Bilirubin monitoring

The clinic is located within Stratford Midwives in the Cambria Professional Building, directly across from Stratford General Hospital. The clinic will be staffed by Registered Midwives from Stratford Midwives and Countryside Midwifery Services.

Please note that the HPNCC does not replace the need for newborns to be assessed by their primary care provider within 2–3 days following hospital discharge.

At this time, referrals to the HPNCC are accepted by fax only. Patients are not able to self-refer. Referrals may be submitted upon hospital discharge or as outpatient referrals from primary care providers or pediatricians.

The clinic will officially open on Saturday, May 30, and will operate during the following hours:

- Tuesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays: 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Thursdays: 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

We are grateful for the generous funding support provided by Stratford General Hospital and are pleased to be collaborating with Family Health Teams across Huron Perth.

Attached to this email, you will find:

- The referral form
- The care pathway flow diagram
- An informational poster about the clinic

Printed copies of the informational poster and clinic business cards will also be delivered to primary care sites later this week.

We would also like to invite all referring care providers to a virtual information session on June 1 at 12:00 p.m. Please find the Zoom meeting link at the bottom of this email.

We look forward to connecting with you and welcome any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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