

Public Interest Checklist

Erie St. Clair LHIN

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Determining Whether it is in the Public Interest to Issue An Integration Decision

In determining whether it is in the public interest to issue a decision requiring or stopping integration, a LHIN may want to consider any of the following that apply in the circumstances:

- Does the integration promote appropriate, coordinated, effective and efficient health services?
- Does the integration promote better access to high quality health services?
- Does the integration achieve quality improvements in clinical outcomes, health service delivery, and/or system performance?
- Does the integration support patient/client and person centered health care?
- Does the integration promote efficient and effective management of local health system to ensure sustainability?
- Does the integration ensure value for money?

In determining whether it is in the public interest to issue an integration decision, a LHIN may want to consider and balance any of the following potential impacts that apply in the circumstances:

- Impact on patient/client care and on the population of the LHIN in terms of such things as: access, choice, equity, quality, timeliness, continuity and coordination of services, and health outcomes;
- Impact on achievement of the goals of the integrated health service plan or provincial strategic plan;
- Impact on specific subpopulations, diverse communities and any vulnerable populations in the LHIN;
- Impact on labour and employment relations;
- Downstream impacts on health service providers and other entities in terms of such things as: capacity, services provided, continuity and coordination of services, population(s) served, and governance;
- Impact on use of resources and health system sustainability;
- Impact on relationships, collaboration and partnerships.

