

# COMMITTEE UPDATE



## UGFHT EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE Spring 2026

### UGFHT EDI Spotlight

Partnership with SOAHAC (Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Access Centre) to continue our education for clinicians and staff



There is an indigenous-led foot care clinic being offered at Groves, [click here for more information](#)



### Looking Ahead

- The UGFHT, along with our rural FHT and hospital partners, will be working with Heart Work Consulting to further our EDI journey and education around Indigenous Health Equity
- The UGFHT's upcoming new Strategic Plan will continue to have a focus on advancing equity-driven care

**Committee Mandate:** To work collaboratively to create an environment within the EDI Committee and UGFHT as a whole which fosters:

- An inclusive culture where vulnerability, respect, equity, and positive recognition of differences are cultivated, diverse voices are heard, and everyone feels valued.
- The elimination of injustice and oppression.
- Ongoing adaptations to the needs and demographics of our growing and ever-changing clients and community.

### Upcoming EDI Related Events in Our Community

#### Art as Medicine: A Journey of Culture, Creativity and Resilience with Wayne Simpson - May 7<sup>th</sup>



An inspiring artist talk taking place at the Elora Centre for the Arts from 7-8:30. Check this link for more information: <https://eloracentreforthearts.ca/event/art-as-medicine-a-journey-of-culture-creativity-and-resilience-with-wayne-simpson/>

#### Pride Day Community Celebration - June 13<sup>th</sup>



CW Pride will host their second Pride Day Celebration. Free, family-friendly event at the barn and nearby grounds of the Wellington County Museum & Archives from 12-4:30. The event welcomes members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, allies and supporters to enjoy live performances, community vendors and educational booths, food trucks, activities and opportunities to connect.

#### Multicultural Festival - July 11<sup>th</sup>



Celebrating Wellington County's diverse people, cultures and communities at the Wellington County Museum & Archives from 11-4. The festival will showcase live cultural performances, music, activities for children and youth, interactive games, diverse food and marketplace vendors.

#### CW Family FunDay Festival - September 6<sup>th</sup>



Hosted by the Centre Wellington Black Committee the festival returns to Bissell Park from 11-6 for its fifth year. You can expect entertainment, games, cultural showcases, food, vendors and fun for kids.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

- Continuing to make time at UGFHT meetings to highlight EDI happenings and opportunities.
- Continue to work through the global benchmarks to improve EDI at UGFHT for staff, patients, and partners.

Do you have ideas for our committee or how we can make UGFHT more inclusive and equitable?  
Let us know by contacting [info@uppergrandfht.org](mailto:info@uppergrandfht.org)!

Have you taken engaging training on an issue connected to Equity, Diversity or Inclusion that others should know about?

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Check out our Website and our updated list of EDI learning resources.

