



# Media Release

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## Public Health Restructuring

The Grey Bruce Health Unit will join with Perth District and Huron County Health Units as part of the restructuring of public health, as identified in the 2019 provincial budget. By April 1, 2020, a new, as yet un-named, regional public health entity will be formed comprised of Grey, Bruce, Huron, and Perth Counties governed by an autonomous board of health.

As a regional health entity with a population under a million, the cost-sharing arrangement with municipalities will shift to 70 % provincial / 30 % municipal, effective April 1, 2019, and stay at that level. Opportunities have been identified for one-time funding for this budget year to transition to the new funding formula.

This restructuring, along with other aspects of public health, are subject to legislative change and further consultation over the coming months.

**Backgrounder:** Bruce Grey Huron Perth Regional Health Entity

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# Backgrounder

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## **Bruce Grey Huron Perth Regional Health Entity**

The proposed regional public health entity will be comprised of Grey, Bruce, Huron, and Perth Counties governed by an autonomous board of health.

Area: 14,221 Km<sup>2</sup> covering an area from Blue Mountains on Georgian Bay north to Tobermory on the tip of the Bruce Peninsula, south along the Lake Huron shore to Lambton and east to Punkydoodle Corners and Wellington County.

Population: 305,000 predominantly rural with the small urban centres of Goderich, Stratford and Owen Sound.

Includes First Nations:

- The Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Neyaashiinigiing Indian Reserve No. 27
- The Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation No. 29
- Chief's Point Indian Reserve No. 28

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