Highlights of the June 21, 2012 CCMB Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of CancerCare Manitoba (CCMB) at its regular meeting on June 21, 2012:

- Welcomed Ms. Gloria Paziuk and Dr. Fred Shore, new Ministerial appointments, to the Board.
- Reviewed and approved the audited operating statements for 2011-2012.
- Considered the implications of a directive from Manitoba Health to identify further operational
 efficiencies and cost savings while protecting front line service in recognition of the current
 Provincial budgetary constraints.
- Expressed support for the Manitoba Government's efforts to recover costs related to tobaccorelated disease, from tobacco companies.
- Expressed continued support for the Manitoba Tobacco Reduction Alliance's (MANTRA) campaign to eliminate tobacco use in our province.
- Approved the term appointment of Dr. Spencer Gibson as Director of Research at the Manitoba Institute of Cell Biology.
- Reviewed and approved revised Terms of Reference for the Communications and Partner Relations Committee, Community Advisory Council and Planning Committee of the Board.
- Received and considered various reports including: Quality, Patient Safety & Risk Report on Required Organizational Practices and an Assessment Report on the Impact of the Infrastructure Deficit at CCMB.
- Received information from the President & CEO on current issues including a Pan Canadian Infrastructure Program on Clinical Trials, which could be used to leverage existing funding and provide additional support for clinical trials at CCMB.

The President & CEO also addressed a recent report on wait times in Canada. Since the inception of this particular benchmarking in 2004, the President reported CCMB has been fully compliant and received an "A" grading for the past three years. Due in part to changes in the methodology, CCMB received a lower grade this year. CCMB recognizes there is more work to be done in this area, and as such, has embarked on a program to accelerate the overall cancer journey.

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