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3.6 Working with the South West Local Health Integration Network, use health equity lens to increase access to care for vulnerable people

In developing the Integrated Health Service Plan 2016-2019, the SWLHIN worked with individuals using the health system, health service provider leaders and governors, networks, municipal leaders and the public to design a plan that reflects the current needs and directions of the health system. Interacting, sharing and gathering information with health service providers, people who use the health care system, volunteers and the public was central to the creation of the Integrated Health Service Plan.

In May 2018 the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) announced a $1.3 million funding boost from the province which will be used to expand the London InterCommunity Health Centre (LIHC). The goal of the expansion is to enhance equitable and timely access to primary care and further strengthen integration of primary care and other services, leading to easier system navigation and improved patient experience.