

## **COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

ТО:	Mayor and Members Board of Health
DATE:	August 3, 2022
SUBJECT:	Scarsin COVID-19 Forecasting Technology Pricing Update (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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The purpose of this Communication Update is to inform the Mayor and members of Board of Health about the total pricing to-date of the Scarsin COVID-19 Forecasting Technology (software).

## **Background**

On July 6, 2022, the Board of Health reviewed Report BOH22013, and approved Hamilton Public Health Services' recommendation:

"That the Board of Health approve the single source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, for:

- (i) Scarsin Decision Support Software platform services;
- (ii) Decision Support Software;
- (iii) Software maintenance and support until February 16, 2023, with the option to extend for up to 24 months which option may be exercised incrementally or otherwise;"

Hamilton's utilization of Scarsin's forecasting technology has helped to strengthen our community's collective response towards COVID-19 by anticipating case trajectory and severity related to COVID-19 transmission; this technology provides the broader Hamilton community with a line of sight into the future of evolving COVID-19 epidemiology.

On July 8, 2022, Council requested that Public Health Services report back on the total pricing of the procurement to-date (February 17, 2021 to August 16, 2022). In follow-up

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to Council's request, Public Health Services is confirming that the total cost of the Scarsin software, maintenance and support is \$236,250.00, plus HST.

Should you have any questions related to the above information, please contact Ashley Vanderlaan, Manager, Epidemiology and Evaluation Program at (905) 546-2424, Ext. 4718 or Ashley. Vanderlaan@Hamilton.ca.

## APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not Applicable.