

# BRIGHT LIGHTS AWARDS

2019

## Nomination

### Comprehensive team-based care

McMaster Family Health Team - Loren Harding and Laura Doyle

#### “Keeping a Breast” Collaborative Care to Optimize Breastfeeding Success in Greater Hamilton Area



McMaster Family Health Team (MFHT) members Laura Doyle, PT and Loren Harding, RPN, IBCLC have created a service to parents and newborns focussing on torticollis and breastfeeding success. Their special interest in this challenging area of care is innovative, backed up by evidence of impact, and provides care to an under-served population need. Laura and Loren have worked hard to achieve a process by which timely assessment and diagnosis can positively influence the long-term success of breastfeeding including maternal self-efficacy. MFHT partnerships with Public Health, Hamilton Health Sciences, St Joseph’s Healthcare, midwives and primary care providers have grown through educational seminars provided by our team to improve identification and referrals to our specialized care. This collaboration has provided seamless transitions from hospital to the community, allowing access for mothers and babies to receive opportune care as required.