

Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council Work Plan 2018 2019

Priority 1: Child and youth mental health awareness: illness prevention, early identification and appropriate intervention

Goal	Actions	Responsibility	Target Date	Measures of Success
Increase public awareness of available child and youth focused mental health programs and supports	 Invite AHS CSAMH AMH Child, Youth & Family Initiatives to present on mental health supports for children and youth through schools and AHS Invite PACs, HACs and Wisdom to send representatives to receive presentation Advisory Council members share information with respective forums and communities 	 AMH PAC Secretary to schedule AHS CSAMH-AMH to present PACs, HACs & Wisdom to send representatives All recipients to share information broadly 	FY2018/2019	 Scheduling of presentation Broad sharing of information across Councils and to public following receipt
	 Provide lived experience perspective to PolicyWise for Children & Families – Supporting Child and Youth Mental Health Outcomes in School Settings Steering Committee¹ in support of provincial collaborative approach to improved mental health outcomes for children and youth. Share learnings with AMH PAC and AHS Advisory Councils' Council of Chairs for distribution/sharing as appropriate 	AMH PAC Chair AMH PAC Members AHS Advisory Councils Council of Chairs	FY2018/2019	 Increased understanding of mental health support services availability for children and youth Increased awareness of development of provincial, cross-ministerial approach to improve outcomes
	Develop letter to AHS Board, AHS President & CEO, recommending expansion of existing mental health services and availability for Alberta's children and youth.	AMH PAC Chair and members AMH PAC Secretary	FY2018/2019	Submission of letter of recommendation to AHS Board, AHS President & CEO

Priority 2: Patient voice, community perspective and engagement – engage more effectively with Wisdom Council, Health Advisory Councils, and Provincial Advisory Councils

Goal	Actions	Responsibility	Target Date	Measures of Success
Enhance	Invite Wisdom Council Chair/ Co-Chair/	AMH PAC Chair	FY2018/2019	Attendance of Wisdom
collaboration with	member/s to attend Addiction & Mental Health	 AMH PAC Secretary 		Council Chair/ Co-Chair/
AHS Wisdom	Provincial Advisory Council meeting	•		member/s at AMH PAC
Council to better				meeting



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understand Indigenous perspective as it relates to addiction and mental health	Receive presentation on Truth and Reconciliation	AMH PAC Secretary to schedule	FY2018/2019	 Scheduling of presentation Broad sharing of information across Councils and to public following receipt
	AMH PAC query attendance at appropriate Wisdom Council activity	AMH PAC Chair and membersAMH PAC Secretary	FY2018/2019	 Invitation from Wisdom Council to AMH PAC member/s to attend activity as appropriate
Enhance collaboration with AHS Health Advisory Councils	Invite Health Advisory Councils Chair/ Co-Chair/ member/s to attend AMH PAC meeting	 AMH PAC Chair via Council of Chairs AMH PAC members who also sit at HAC 	FY2018/2019	 Attendance of members of at least three different HACs at AMH PAC meeting
to better understand community perspectives on addiction and mental health services delivery	AMH PAC query member attendance at local HAC meeting/s	 AMH PAC Chair and members AMH PAC Secretary 	FY2018/2019	AMH PAC member/s attend at least three HACs' meetings
Work with AHS Cancer Provincial Advisory Council to better understand mental health impacts affiliated with cancer diagnosis	Query availability of presentation/ presenter from or through AHS Cancer PAC related to mental health and cancer	 AMH PAC Secretary Cancer PAC Secretary 	FY2018/2019	 Scheduling of presentation Broad sharing of information across Councils and to public following receipt
Establish strong connection with AHS Seniors &	 Invite Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council Chair/ member/s to attend AMH PAC meeting 	AMH PAC Chair AMH PAC Secretary	FY2018/2019	 Attendance of SCC PAC Chair/ Co-Chair/ member/s at AMH PAC meeting
Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council	AMH PAC member/s attend local SCC PAC meeting/s	AMH PAC Chair and members	FY2018/2019	AMH PAC member/s attend at least one SCC PAC meeting



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Priority 3: Flexibility and adaptability: provide feedback on or participate in emerging issues or initiatives

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Support Addiction Mental Health initiatives	Actively participate on committees and working groups as requested/ required	AMH PAC members	Ongoing	 Participation in AHS committees and working groups as requested/ required to provide experiential feedback related to addiction and/ or mental health Participation in external committees and working groups as requested/ required as above

Additional AHS Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council Priorities:

Mental health and addiction stigma reduction: many are reluctant to seek the help needed due to stigma

Address acute shortage of specialized trained staff: increase access to specialized training for interactions with clients with mental illness for new and existing personnel.

Access: 24/7 access to AMH emergency services outside ED.

Wrap around care: increase availability of and access to community-based post-acute care for both mental health and addiction clients.