



Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council

Friday, June 24th, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council						
$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	Diahann Polege-Aulotte	R	John Erkelens	V	Veronika Kiryanova	
R	Fred Bosma	V	Julie Kelndorfer		Vacant (CEN Zone)	
V	Irene Pirie	\checkmark	Linda Grant		Vacant (CEN Zone)	
V	Jim Hubbard	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	Ray Clark		Vacant (SOU Zone)	
$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	Joan Monson	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	Susan Sommerfeldt		Vacant (SOU Zone)	
AHS Permanent Resource Persons						
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R	Dr. Jim Silvius, Sr Medical Director Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care					
Ø	Crystal Stewart, Council Coordinator SCC PAC / Coordinator Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care					
AHS						
R	Amy Good, Senior Operating Officer Community, Rural and Continuing Care Calgary Zone					
	Dr. Braden Manns, interim Vice President Provincial Clinical Excellence					
Т	Colleen Turner, Vice President Community Engagement and Communications					
Ø	Eleanor Risling, Executive Director Continuing Care Edmonton Zone					
R	Janine Sakatch, Executive Director Community Engagement & External Relations					
R	Karen Fritz, Senior Operating Officer Seniors Health and Rural Acute East South Zone					
V	Lori Sparrow, Senior Operating Officer Community & Seniors Health Central Zone					
V	Dr. Mark Joffe, Medical Director Provincial Clinical Excellence; VP/SMD Cancer Care Alberta					
$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	Robyn Maddox, Executive Director Seniors Health, Program and Performance North Zone					
PRESENTER						
Ø	Dr. Carole Estabrooks, Professor & Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in Knowledge Translation					
	Faculty of Nursing, University of Alberta					
GUEST(S)						
V	Ida Edwards, Lakeland Health Advisory Council					

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Call to Order at 13:01

Diahann Polege-Aulotte

Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

Dr. Braden Manns - Introduction

Interim Vice President Provincial Clinical Excellence temporarily replacing Dr. Kathryn Todd. Limited experience with continuing care system; familial experience with early onset dementia.

Dr. Mark Joffe - Introduction

Vice President, Medical Director Cancer, Provincial Programs and Provincial Clinical Excellence.

0. PRESENTATION: Importance of the quality of work life of staff, and its impact on quality of resident care and life Dr. Carole Estabrooks

Dr. Carole Estabrooks introduced the Council to TREC (Translating Research in Elder Care) and spoke about the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on resident quality of care, resident quality of life, and staff quality of work life.

The population in long-term care has grown in number, in cultural diversity, and in acuity. At the same time the cognitive function of this population has declined. The workforce in long-term care is more diverse than residents and more diverse than Canadians overall – providing the majority of care for the most complex clients in the health system.



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Dr. Estabrooks spoke to the importance of work environment, comprised of both physical and relational factors. Burnout is a major risk for the long-term care workforce with Care Aides at highest risk. Burnout is considered a trait and is exceedingly difficult to repair once it has set in.

TREC has been collecting data from Care Aides, Nurses, Managers and Allied professionals in Alberta, Manitoba and British Columbia. Developed Alberta Context Tool to measure context across ten components. Staff at facilities with more favourable ACT rates have higher rates of physical and mental health than those at facilities with less favourable ACT rates.

Alberta COVID-19 Impact Study: two-year study, not yet quite completed. Survey and quality of life assessments completed in Alberta only; administrative reviews completed across additional jurisdictions. Noted resident isolation and decline disrupted routines; physical decline from reduced mobility; mental decline from decreased interaction; no normal outings; lack of desire to eat, made worse by lessened family contact.

- **1. Approval of SCC PAC Agenda:** June 24th, 2022 Agenda accepted as circulated
- **2. Approval of SCC PAC Meeting Minutes:** April 08th, 2022 Minutes accepted as circulated
- 3. Council Business
 - 3.1. Council membership updates and recruitment activities
 - Welcome Veronika Kiryanova; introduction of Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council membership
 - Welcome Niall MacDonald in interim Senior Program Officer role
 - Recruitment to vacancies: two South Zone, two Central Zone
 - 3.2. AHS Home Care Request for Expressions of Interest and Qualification

Niall MacDonald, SCC PAC All

Update provided on Home Care RFEOIQ

Update provided on Continuing Care RFEOI

Update on work with Alberta Health on Continuing Care Transformation Roadmap

3.3. SCC PAC Annual Report 2021-22
Accepted as circulated

Crystal Stewart, SCC PAC All

- 4. Quarterly Updates
 - **4.1.** Chairs Report Diahann Polege-Aulotte, Susan Sommerfeldt Susan attended Council of Chairs at Spring Forum: introductions; SOGIE PAC interested in attending other PAC meetings.
 - 4.2. Supporting Young Adults with Physical Disabilities

 Group working on housing options and care models for younger adults with neurological conditions. Environmental scan is underway; literature review has confirmed a complex admission process, inappropriate design of care for younger population, lack of data. No-one in Canada is looking at this population within continuing care. Next steps: look at models in other provinces; current state report in development.
 - **4.3. Seniors Health Policy Development** Joan Monson Meetings have restarted. Overview provided on policies under review.



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4.4. Appropriate Prescribing and Medication Use Strategy for Older Albertans

Susan Sommerfeldt

Met monthly; developed criteria to evaluate projects for endorsement. Grant funding opportunities are being sought.

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Next Meeting

Friday, October 14th, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. Zoom

^{*} Minutes are DRAFT and subject to change prior to approval at the next AHS Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council meeting