



Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council Meeting Summary

September 18th, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

*Meeting Summary is DRAFT and subject to approval at the next meeting of the
Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council*

Introducing your Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council members and AHS Supports and Invitees:

Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alan Carter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Emily Macphail, Vice Chair
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ariel Haubrich	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kaj Korvela
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Candice Horne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kristi Edwards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Diane MacNaughton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kym Porter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ed Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lindy Fors
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rhonda Robinson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sandra Badry
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terry O’Riordan, Chair
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tyla Savard
AHS Permanent Resource Persons			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Allison Bichel, Senior Program Officer Provincial Addiction & Mental Health Services		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kerry Bales, Senior Program Officer Provincial Addiction & Mental Health Services		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dr Nick Mitchell, Senior Medical Director Provincial Addiction & Mental Health Services		
AHS			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janine Sakatch, Community Engagement		
R	Mark Snaterse, Executive Director Addiction & Mental Health AHS Edmonton Zone		

Community Input

This meeting was not open to community members.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Terry O’Riordan and opened with Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands by Rhonda Robinson.

Lindy Fors will provide Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands at the December meeting.

Welcome & Introductions

North Zone: Rhonda Robinson; Tyla Savard; Lindy Fors

Edmonton Zone: Ed Brown; Terry O’Riordan

Central Zone: Alan Carter; Sandra Badry; Ariel Haubrich

South Zone: Diane MacNaughton; Kym Porter

AHS: Allison Bichel; Dr. Nick Mitchell; Kerry Bales; Janine Sakatch



AHS Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council Agenda September 18th, 2020 accepted as circulated.

AHS Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council Meeting Summary June 05th, 2020 accepted as circulated.

Council Business

- AMH PAC Meeting Schedule April 2021 through March 2022
Draft Schedule circulated for April 2021 through March 2022, with a shift in date from 13 Mar 2021 to 26 Feb 2021. AMH PAC Meeting Schedule accepted as circulated.
Discussion around meeting time resulted in decision to continue to meeting Friday evenings at 5:00 p.m. with extension to meeting duration to accommodate one presentation per virtual meeting.
- AMH PAC 2020/2021 Work Plan
Reviewed; members invited to volunteer for activities at respective discretion.
Electronic introductions will be facilitated by Community Engagement Janine Sakatch with Chairs of SOGIE and SCC PACs.
Members are encouraged to attend future HAC meetings as locally available; Crystal Stewart will circulate Advisory Councils Meeting Schedule for information.
- COVID19 and Inpatient Passes
Session held 17 Jun 2020 attended by two Council members. Session reviewed standard inpatient pass process and changes/ restrictions as a result of COVID19, followed by discussion around resultant client impacts.
- Patient & Family Advisory Council (PFAC) for new south Edmonton hospital
One Council member recruited to sit at this table to provide patient and family input through all phases. Currently in early stages of the 10-year timeline, neighborhood and site planning is complete and functional programming reviews are underway.
- SCN Grant Application Review: COVID19 and Mental Health
Four Council members participated in review of submitted grant proposals including ranking with evaluation matrix. Grant awarded to Dr. S. Montesanti, University of Alberta, for submission *Mobilizing Knowledge on the Use of Virtual Care Interventions to Provide Trauma-Focused Treatment to Individuals and Families At-Risk of Domestic Violence During COVID-19*.
- Immigrant and refugee mental health
Discussion around available supports for immigrant and refugee populations in Alberta, with focus on crises arising out of COVID19. Recommendation for receipt of presentation related to this topic. Consideration for provision of panel discussion open to all HAC and PAC members.



Chair's Report

Council of Chairs met Friday, June 12th, 2020. HAC 2.0 transformation of Health Advisory Councils was discussed, as were the Mental Health Panel on effects of psychosocial disasters, and AHS and COVID19 updates.

Council of Chairs will next convene Wednesday, September 20, 2020. Meeting package will be shared with Council following receipt.

Council Activities Updates

Council members participating at committee and working group tables provided update on the following:

- Provincial Addiction Counselling Practice Group
Recent work has focused on sharing activities underway across the province and considering findings.
Rhonda Robinson and Ed Brown will represent AMH PAC at this table moving forward; Lindy Fors will act as delegate as required.
- AHS AMH Provincial Youth Addiction & Mental Health Advisory Council
Previous meeting saw receipt of AHS presentations related to virtual care and other internal discussions. Next meeting planned for 26 Sep 2020.
- AHS Provincial Addiction Curricula & Experiential Skills Training Initiative
PACES not currently meeting on a regular basis.
- CAL South Health Campus Citizen Advisory Team
Met in June 2020; Team will reconvene next week.

AHS Addiction & Mental Health Integrated Provincial Programs and Strategic Clinical Network™ Update

Allison Bichel, Senior Program Officer

Dr. Nick Mitchell, Seniors Medical Director

Updates to Council were provided on the following activities:

- COVID19 Psychosocial Response
- AMH Helpline
- Harm Reduction Policy
- 4000 Spaces
- SCN Projects Update
- Mental Health Act Amendments



AHS Advisory Council Update

Coordinator, Crystal Stewart

- Advisory Councils Recruitment and Expression of Interest document being revised; will be shared with Council for feedback as available.
- Council members are encouraged to subscribe to weekly AHS Together4Health Headlines by email 'subscribe' to community.engagement@ahs.ca
- AHS COVID19 statistics shared as at 11 Sep 2020.
- AHS Connect Care update provided as at 14 Sep 2020.
- AHS Influenza Immunization campaign information shared as available at 14 Sep 2020.

Anyone interested in applying to the AHS Addiction & Mental Health Provincial Advisory Council can do so through the [AHS website](#).

Learn about the four organizational goals of AHS in the [2017-2020 AHS Health Plan and Business Plan](#).

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