Alberta's Home to Hospital to Home Transitions Guideline

• A **new provincial guideline** is now available that outlines what support Albertans need to safely transition from their home, to hospital and then back to their community

New!

- This is a unique initiative in that it merges guidance for **providers in acute, primary and community care** under one guideline
- Recommendations for how to partner with **patients**, **families and caregivers** are also part of the guideline
- The guideline is for **adult transitions from hospital** only at this time









How is the guideline connected to other initiatives?

- Connect Care IT enabler
- Community Information
 Integration/Central
 Patient Attachment
 Registry (Netcare) IT
 enabler
- <u>AHS/Primary Care</u>
 <u>Network service planning</u>
 Guideline integrated into planning
- <u>Alberta Surgical Initiative</u>
 All surgical sites across Alberta will aim to implement the guideline

- Patient's Medical Home
 Enabler of improved
 transitions
- <u>AHS Review</u> Includes transitions work within acute care
- Strategic Clinical <u>Networks</u> - Guideline initiative is aligning with pathway work

+15

patient/family advisors involved in this initiative.

Advisors also developed a <u>Transitions Through</u> <u>Patients' Eyes report</u> for health system leaders.

Read the report at ahs.ca/hhhguideline +750 stakeholders provided input on the Home to Hospital to Home Transitions initiative



Transitions are the **fuzzy grey space** between when one service stops and one service begins . . . I usually live in those grey spaces all by myself. - Sandi, patient/family advisor



Read the guideline, learn more:



Learn more and read the guideline: ahs.ca/hhhguideline

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How to use the guideline?

- 1. When planning transition initiatives, use the guideline to understand what processes and partnerships need to be in place to create safe, reliable and effective transitions.
- 2. A set of <u>measures</u> has been released with the guideline. Use the <u>measures</u> to monitor and assess transitions.
- 3. Transitions of care committees in each zone are developing implementation plans. More information will be shared by your zone in the coming months.

Guideline in action: ADAPT Grant

- ADAPT stands for A DiseAse-Inclusive Pathway for Transitions in Care.
- The ADAPT project is a \$1.3 million grant that will help implement three components of the guideline: admit notification, transition planning and follow-up to primary care.
- The plan is to implement in three waves across five acute care sites between 2021-22.
- The project is a Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Health System grant by Alberta Innovates.

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