



## Wisdom Council & Elder Circle Expression of Interest

Alberta Health Services (AHS) is committed to ensuring that people with different cultural backgrounds have a voice in healthcare in order to improve the experiences of healthcare for all Albertans. One way to do this is through Advisory Councils where members represent varied experiences and ways of knowing within our communities across Alberta regardless of gender, race, age or religious beliefs and experiences. These Councils provide recommendations, priorities and programs to the Board of Directors and AHS leadership. They bring forward feedback from the public to support AHS' strategic direction.

The AHS Wisdom Council (WC) and Elder Circle provide advice and recommendations for the Executive Leadership Team and the President and CEO of AHS. Its members work closely with the AHS Indigenous Wellness Core to provide Indigenous guidance and recommendations to AHS. The role of the Elder Circle members is to provide guidance and insight to Wisdom Council members based on their experience and status within Indigenous communities. The Elders are identified based on unique culture and traditions of their communities. The WC membership name members to the Elder Circle.

It is important to AHS that Indigenous people have a voice on service delivery, program design, and evaluation for province-wide, culturally appropriate health services delivered by AHS to Indigenous who come into Alberta seeking care and those Indigenous people who live here.

Wisdom Council members may serve to a maximum of six years. Members are appointed to three-year terms and can seek a second, three-year appointment. The length of terms for members of the Elder Circle will be self-determined based on annual reviews between members and the Wisdom Council Co-Chairs.

This completed Expression of Interest form can be emailed to [WisdomCouncil@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:WisdomCouncil@albertahealthservices.ca) Fax no. (780) 735-5012 or mailed to: 302 Anderson Hall Royal Alexandra Hospital 10240 Kingsway Ave. Edmonton, AB T5H 3V9 **DEADLINE: March 31, 2022**

For any type of assistance in completing this form or have any questions regarding the Expression of Interest process feel free to contact Lorraine Meneen - AHS Indigenous Health Engagement Advisor 1-780-924-2711 or [WisdomCouncil@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:WisdomCouncil@albertahealthservices.ca)

For further information on Advisory Councils please visit [www.ahs.ca/advisorycouncils](http://www.ahs.ca/advisorycouncils). Additional AHS volunteer opportunities can be found at [www.ahs.ca/volunteers](http://www.ahs.ca/volunteers).

It is important we have as many Indigenous voices to help make AHS a more culturally safe place to be, seek help, get medical advice, attention and feel heard.



Thank you

<b>Full Name:</b>	
	<i>(First, Last)</i>
<b>Address:</b>	
	<i>(Mailing Address)</i>
	<i>(City, Province, Postal Code)</i>
<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Home Phone:</b>	
<b>Cell Phone:</b>	
<b>Work Phone:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

**General Questions**

1. How did you hear about the Wisdom Council and Elder Circle?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook      | <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poster        | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Ad |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio         | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet Ad  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth |                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  |                                       |

2. Are you currently or have you ever been a volunteer with AHS?

- Yes     No

Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you currently employed with the Government of Alberta, Alberta Health Services or one of its subsidiaries?

- Yes     No

Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_



4. What interests you most about being a Wisdom Council member?

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5. Please list and describe your current and past committee, council and/or volunteer work.

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AHS recognizes the importance of diversity within our communities and the diversity our people bring to the AHS family. AHS is dedicated to ensuring members of councils are reflective of the diversity of people and perspectives across Alberta including but not limited to people of all races, ages, gender identities, gender expressions, sexual orientations, abilities, disabilities, places of origin, religious beliefs, and experiences.

6. Please describe how you view the components of your identity and how it might impact the perspectives you would bring to the Council?

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7. Wisdom Council members work in an advisory role communicating community health concerns and priorities to AHS leaders. Members represent large areas with diverse demographics. Please comment on how you might be able to represent the perspectives of the public across the entire Council area.

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8. Please outline any experience you may have which would enable you to work successfully with other Advisory Council members in a group setting?

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9. Do you have any additional information you would like to share?

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