

## Memo

**Date:** May 20, 2020 **To:** ECC, All ZEOCs

From: Sean Chilton, Vice President, Health Professions & Practice and Information

Technology, Francois Belanger Vice President, Quality, and Chief Medical Officer

Re: New advice line supports Albertans with rehabilitation needs

A new toll-free Rehabilitation Advice Line, 1-833-379-0563, is available for Albertans over the age of 18 who:

- Have existing health conditions that affect muscles, bones, and joints including those awaiting or recovering from surgery
- Have existing disabilities related to neurological conditions (e.g.: Parkinson's, Spinal Cord Injury, MS, Brain Injury, Stroke)
- Are recovering from COVID-19

Albertans living with health conditions and disabilities in the community have additional challenges accessing community supports during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our focus is on ensuring Albertans continue to get the care and support they need during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Rehabilitation Advice Line gives callers information about:

- Activities and exercises that help with physical concerns
- Strategies to manage the day-to-day activities affected by these concerns
- Rehabilitation services that are open for in-person and/or virtual visits
- Community-based organizations

An Alberta-only line, the Rehabilitation Advice line is answered by Allied Health clinicians and operates every day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Rehabilitation Advice line is a collaborative effort by Allied Health Professional Practice & Education, Allied Health Zone Operations, the Neurosciences, Rehabilitation & Vision Strategic Clinical Network (SCN), the Bone and Joint SCN, and Health Link.

Please share this with your teams. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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