



Alberta Health  
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Health Advisory Council

## Minutes – Greater Edmonton Health Advisory Council

March 11, 2019 / 6 – 9 pm / Leduc Community Hospital – Boardroom A- 4210 48 St Leduc, AB

**Council Members:** Teresa O’Riordan (Chair), Edith Baraniecki, Fahim Hassan, Anahi Johnson, Shirley Munro, Sheila Raffray, Lawrence Tymko

**Alberta Health Services:** Maya Atallah, Dr. Chris Sikora, Mark Snaterse, Dr. David Zygun

**Public:** Two

**Regrets:** Sharon Brintnell, Victor Do, Alexander Kuznetsov, Iqra Nazir, Ryan Payne

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action</i>
<b>1. Approval of Agenda</b>	Moved by <b>Anahi Johnson</b> that the agenda of Monday, March 11, 2019, be approved. <b>MOTION CARRIED.</b>	
<b>2. Approval of Minutes</b>	Moved by <b>Lawrence Tymko</b> that the minutes of Thursday, November 15, 2018, be approved. <b>MOTION CARRIED.</b> Moved by <b>Sheila Raffray</b> that the minutes of Thursday, January 17, 2019 meeting be approved. <b>MOTION CARRIED.</b>	
<b>3. Presentations</b>		
<b>3.1. Addiction and Mental Health Updates</b> <i>Mark Snaterse - Executive Director, Addiction and Mental Health, Edmonton Zone</i>	A presentation was made by Addiction and Mental Health Edmonton Zone Executive Director, Mark Snaterse. His presentation included the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current state of access to addiction &amp; mental health services</li> <li>• The strategy and vision for Access 24/7</li> <li>• Who, what, where, how and when of Access 24/ 7</li> </ul>	

<b>4. Old Business</b>		
<b>4.1. Business Arising from the January 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting</b>	<p>Maya Atallah provided an update about the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deb Gordon will provide information on Addiction and Mental Health services in schools. <b>Complete.</b></li> </ul>	
<b>5. New Business</b>		
<b>5.1. Committee Updates</b>	<p><b>Fahim Hassan</b> – He has been on the AHS Edmonton Zone Planning and Performance working group for the last two and a half years. It has been an amazing learning experience. Due to an increasing workload, Fahim will be unable to continue participating in this working group and would like to open the opportunity to others on the Council that may be interested.</p> <p><b>Edith Baraniecki</b> – She continues to see the success of Health Link 811 when she attends their meetings. She is still surprised there is not more awareness about 811.</p>	<p>Fahim will share more details about the working group with Council members.</p>
<b>5.2. Voices of the Community</b>	<p>The community members were pleased to have been invited to attend a GEHAC meeting.</p>	
<b>5.3. Edmonton Zone Executive Leadership Update</b>  <b>Dr. David Zygun</b> – <i>Zone Medical Director</i>  <b>Dr. Chris Sikora</b> – <i>Physician/Lead Medical Officer of Health –  Edmonton Zone</i>	<p>Dr. David Zygun and Dr. Chris Sikora provided updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget is on target. Teams are doing work on budget preparations and looking at cost drivers to understand where there are spending the most.</li> <li>• Capital Projects for Edmonton Zone has been a concern, and we are fortunate that our projects did get approved.</li> <li>• The need for acute services will need to be considered. The level of services we currently have will not be able to be sustained in the future due to the change in our aging population.</li> <li>• The Centralized Drug Production &amp; Distribution Project is currently on track.</li> <li>• Connect care is on track and continues to grow among the various AHS departments</li> </ul>	
<b>5.4. Report from the Chair -</b> <i>Teresa O’Riordan</i>	<p>Teresa O’Riordan provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourages GEHAC members to attend Dr. Verna Yiu’s telehealth on the AHS achievements and future on March 12 at 11 a.m.</li> <li>• She presented to the Community Engagement Committee on Feb 14. Key points</li> </ul>	

	<p>mentioned was a barrier to access, missed opportunities for AHS to work with their HAC and PAC, and increasing GEHAC awareness by having when possible acknowledgment and GEHAC banners at the events GEHAC attends.</p> <p><u>Attendance at Events</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traditional Blessing Ceremony for the New Edmonton Hospital/Health Campus on Friday, March 1, 2019, with Edith Baraniecki and Sharon Brintnell</li> <li>2. Adolescent and Family Mental Health (CASA) will be offering presentations on the Mental Health Child in March.</li> <li>3. February 21<sup>st</sup> Council of Chairs Meeting</li> </ol>	
<p><b>5.5. Advisory Council Coordinator Update,</b> Maya Atallah Advisory Council Coordinator</p>	<p>Maya Atallah provided a full report. Following are the highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Becoming a patient/family advisor</li> <li>• Recruitment campaign update</li> <li>• Annual Satisfaction Survey</li> <li>• Top 5 – 10 Issues</li> <li>• Important Action Items for 2019 Meetings</li> <li>• Advisory Councils’ Member profiles</li> <li>• Kudos</li> <li>• 2019 Advisory Councils’ Fall Forum</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5.6. Council Member Round Table</b></p>	<p><b>Anahi Johnson</b> – She expressed concern on climate change and the impact it will have on the health system.</p> <p><b>Shirley Munro</b>- The community of Wabamun is working with PCN to find a Nurse Practitioner to come to work in the community.</p> <p><b>Fahim Hassan</b> – Shared that the Neuroscience and Mental Health Institute at the University of Alberta are organizing an event on March 14, 2019, as a part of Brain Awareness Week and encouraged GEHAC members to attend.</p> <p><b>Sheila Raffray</b> – Shared that Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the 22<sup>nd</sup> Bi-Annual Homeless Connect is on at the Edmonton Convention Centre. She shared the idea of training health professionals at a young age while in high school to promote future interest in post-secondary education in a health profession.</p> <p><b>Lawrence Tymko</b> – Wants to thank AHS on their work around wait times. He heard feedback from his friends on how they have seen improvement.</p>	

	<p><b>Teresa O’Riordan</b> – Is noticing a lack of support for Indigenous populations with invisible disabilities. She is concerned with the follow up from the general practitioners on getting the results back to the patient and how there is a cost associated with obtaining a copy of those results. An answer was given on how medical clinics are not operated by AHS, and the owner of that private clinic can determine charges for nonmedical requests.</p>	
<p><b>6. Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2019  Time: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  Location: Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital  9401 86 Ave, Fort Saskatchewan, AB T8L 0C6</p>	
<p><b>7. Meeting Evaluation and Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Moved by <b>Lawrence Tymko</b> to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm.</p>	