



## Peace Health Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2021 /6:00 – 8:00 p.m. / Zoom

ATTENDEES & INTRODUCTIONS	
<b>Members</b>	Krista Schuett (Chair), Alison Cormack (Vice-Chair), Sandra Baker, Marc Boychuk, Tammy Caillou, Charlene Cavers, Danielle Commandeur, Carla Day, Karen Egge, Maurissa Hietland, Cindy Park
<b>AHS</b>	Stacy Greening, Susan Smith, Maura Beaton, Janine Sakatch, Colleen Turner, Christine Osunde
<b>Regrets</b>	Maxine Elter
<b>Public</b>	25
<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	Krista welcomed all in attendance and went through introductions. Krista provided a land acknowledgment.
<b>Approval of previous minutes</b>	February 23, 2021 minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.
STANDING ITEMS	
<b>Action items from previous meeting</b>	<p>Action items from the February 23, 2021 meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christine will provide Council with information about the AHS marketing campaign for Connect Care. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Christine to follow up with Laura Hancharuk to combine mental health resources into the resource document Peace HAC is working on. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Stacy to follow up with Council regarding the possible discontinuation of services of the Schizophrenia Family Support Group. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Christine to provide Catherine Douglas Marc Boychuk’s contact information. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Christine to follow up with Ainsley Miller, Executive Director, Suicide Prevention Resource Centre, regarding the Care for the Caregiver initiative. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Charlene Cavers to connect with Laura Hancharuk about practicum students providing free services to support seniors remaining in their homes longer. (COMPLETE)</li> <li>• Laura Hancharuk to connect with community member Wade Pilat regarding youth mental health. (COMPLETE)</li> </ul>



<p><b>Alberta Health Services Zone Update</b></p>	<p><b>Stacy Greening</b>, Senior Operating Officer, QEIIH/Grande Prairie, Area 9 shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on North Zone COVID Response.</li> <li>• Update on the Grande Prairie Regional Hospital Project.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Connect Care</a> has been successfully implemented.</li> <li>• International Self-Care Day – July 24 - The QEII Hospital recognized and promoted International Self-Care Day with staff, volunteers and physicians on July 24. This annual worldwide campaign is a reminder that the benefits of self-care are experienced 24 hours a day, seven days a week.</li> <li>• Orange Shirt Day - On September 30 AHS will recognize Orange Shirt Day. Wearing an orange shirt is meant to show recognition of the harm done to residential school students and to show commitment to the principle that every child matters. To learn more about Orange Shirt Day, visit <a href="http://orangeshirtday.org">orangeshirtday.org</a>.</li> <li>• The Local Health Neighbourhood Coalition launched this year and forms a collaborative network of relationships that are geographic-based and mobilized to support Zone Service Plan implementation. Information sessions recently took place and recordings are now available on the Peace Regions’ website at <a href="#">Local Health Neighbourhood Coalition – Peace Region PCN</a>.</li> <li>• Influenza - The 2021-2022 <a href="#">AHS Influenza Immunization Program</a> will begin for all Albertans six months of age and older on October 18, 2021. Vaccine will also be available through the Alberta Outreach Program in October 2021.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Alberta Breast Cancer Screening Program</a> - Screen Test is a provincial screening service that works to educate and increase the number of people with breasts, aged 50 to 74, who have regular breast cancer screening using mammograms (breast x-ray). This service uses two mobile mammography clinics to ensure eligible people in rural communities are able to get breast cancer screening. The trailers are ‘clinics on wheels complete with a reception area, dressing rooms and an exam room. For information or to book an appointment call, toll-free, 1-800-667-0604.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Action Item(s)</b></p>	<p>Community Engagement team to follow up with questions from the public in the chat.</p>
<p><b>Community Partners</b></p>	<p><b>Holly Handfield</b>, Rural Community Consultant with Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RhPAP), shared updates with Council. Highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sept. 23, Oct. 28 and Nov. 25 Tamarack – Rural Community Building Series.</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RhPAP 30th Anniversary Celebration scheduled for October 30 has been cancelled.</li> </ul> <p><b>Susan Smith</b>, Physician Resource Planner, North Zone Medical Affairs, provided a written report that was shared with Council and includes several links to available resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Walk-In Clinic Wait Times</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">AHS Emergency Department Wait Times</a> (metro)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Find a Doctor</a> – Community Profiles; Health Link dial 811.</li> <li>• CPSA (<a href="#">College of Physicians &amp; Surgeons of Alberta</a>) is a compilation of physicians in Alberta that can be sorted by community and indicates whether a physician is accepting new patients.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Select “Find a Physician” in the top right corner of the CPSA Homepage; information is managed by the physician</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Physician employment opportunities are listed on the <a href="#">AHS Doctor Jobs</a> website,</li> <li>• <a href="#">Grande Prairie PCN</a> – Primary Care Network.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The website has filters to sort physicians by clinic, or “accepting new patients”</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Link to subscribe to <a href="#">Grande Prairie PCN Newsletter</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>Council Round Table</b>	<p>The following was shared by Council members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hythe now has a Nurse Practitioner. Her name is Megan Newton.</li> <li>• Alison Cormack wishes to resign her position of Vice Chair, but stay on Council as a member.</li> </ul>
<b>Action Item(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christine to look into filling the position of Vice Chair.</li> <li>• Christine to send out the updated Physician Recruitment Report drafted by Susan Smith.</li> </ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	
<b>Presentation(s)</b>	<p>Peace Health Advisory Council members each shared one item they are passionate about re healthcare service delivery and why it is important to their community, with the Honourable Minister of Health, Jason Copping.</p>
<b>Presentation(s)</b>	<p>Natalia Reiman, AHS Board Member, shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Her career background</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The length of time she’s been a Board member and insights so far</li> <li>• The role of the Board and how they work with Alberta Health and Alberta Health Services</li> <li>• Other committees she is involved with</li> <li>• Importance of having someone from her area on the Board.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Angie Rice</b>, Northern Alberta Team Lead with <a href="#">Wellspring Edmonton and Northern Alberta</a>, shared information about their program and services.</p>
<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Date:</b> Tuesday, February 23, 2022  <b>Time:</b> 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.  <b>Location:</b> Online via Zoom. Contact <a href="mailto:community.engagement@ahs.ca">community.engagement@ahs.ca</a> for details.</p>

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