



Prairie Mountain Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2022 /6:30 – 8:00 p.m. / Zoom

ATTENDEES & INTRODUCTIONS	
Members	Joyce McCoy (Chair), Lori Bayne (Vice Chair), Lea Caplan, Linda Humphreys, Rsmeya Rafih, Sheena Taggart, Judy Walbridge, Vincent Yellow Old Woman
AHS	Lori Anderson, Dr. Mark Anselmo, Harpreet Dayal, Christine Osunde, , Monica Schwann
Regrets	Scott Mitchell, Jay Raymundo
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Welcome & Introductions	Joyce McCoy welcomed all in attendance and provided a land acknowledgment. Vincent Yellow Old Woman said a blessing for the meeting.
Approval of previous minutes	The February 17, 2022 minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.
STANDING ITEMS	
Action items from previous meeting	<p>Action items from the February 17, 2022 meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Anselmo to provide numbers on Influenza vaccination and provide recent updated numbers on confirmed cases in the zone. (COMPLETE)
Alberta Health Services Zone Update	<p>Lori Anderson, Chief Zone Officer, Calgary Zone, shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect Care launches on May 28, 2022 in the Calgary Zone as part of Wave 4, impacting Alberta Children’s Hospital; Peter Lougheed Centre; Southern Alberta Forensic Psychiatric Centre (and associated forensic services); rural acute and combined acute and long term care sites. • An update on Emergency Medical Services (EMS) access, availability, staffing and response time in the Calgary Zone, as well as information on the upcoming implementation of an integrated (EMS) operations command centre that opens on May 10, 2022. • This is National Volunteer Week and the Calgary Zone leadership team wants to acknowledge PMHAC members’ contribution to AHS.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 21 is Indigenous People’s Day and many of the hospitals are planning events that will be shared with Council members, if they would like to participate. • AHS Review: Ernst and Young implementation and follow up plan – AHS Leadership is currently taking another look at the plan. • The Indigenous Action Plan is being updated by Nick Thain and Samantha First Charger who are working with Indigenous communities. • The Calgary Zone has started strategic planning. This will be followed up with broader discussion, where Council members will be invited to take part in conversations. • Council’s Work Commitments aligns with zone leadership’s priorities and Lori wants to ensure her team will work with Council to further refine the actions under the outlined topics. Under the support statements, Council needs to look at how it can be meaningful and how zone leadership and Council can work together. <p>Dr. Mark Anselmo, Calgary Zone Medical Director, shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update on surgical recovery and surgical backlogs in the Calgary Zone. • The Alberta Surgical Initiative is working to increase surgical capacity and AHS is doing its best to catch-up on back-logged surgeries, including shoulder, knee, hip, ankles and bone replacements. It is also looking to increase capacity. • Clinicians are given between 10-15 hours to learn the new system for Connect Care.
Action Item(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lori Anderson will report back to Council on the AHS Review once an update is available.
Community Partners	<p>RhPAP has organized several free virtual learning opportunities for rural community members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RhPAP welcomed new Chief Executive Officer, Tracy Sopkow, on March 1, 2022. <p>RhPAP has organized several virtual learning opportunities for rural community members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 19, 2022 – AHS Medical Affairs • May 30-June 3, 2022 – Alberta Rural Health Week • October 4-6, 2022 – Put on Your Perspectacles Attraction and Retention Conference



<p>Council Round Table</p>	<p>The following was shared by Council members regarding COVID-19 in their communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is an increase in COVID cases in the Canmore and Banff area. • Nanton also has an increase in COVID cases. <p>Additional updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The work on Council’s Work Commitments is underway. Lori Anderson has assigned zone leadership to topics outlined in the document. • Council is looking forward to working with Calgary Zone leadership counterparts on the commitments. • Judy shared feedback about the engagement work she is working on with AHS. • Vincent reiterated how much he appreciates the zone leadership update. • June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day, and an important date. Vincent will be attending and will be emceeding several events.
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	
<p>Presentation(s)</p>	<p>Provincial Cancer Screening Programs Monica Schwann, Director, Screening Programs and Healthy Living</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information was provided on Cancer Screening Programs including: the Newborn Metabolic Screening Program; Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Program; Alberta Breast Cancer Screening Program; Alberta Cervical Cancer Screening Program; Alberta Colorectal Cancer Screening Program and the new Lung Cancer Screening Pilot Project. • Email: Monica.Schwann@ahs.ca • Website: www.screeningforlife.ca
<p>Presentation(s)</p>	<p><u>Calgary Cancer Centre</u> Caroline Hatcher, Executive Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The public opening date (anticipated) is 2023. • Operationally, the Calgary Cancer Centre will include both inpatient and outpatient services. Services are based on clinical priorities as identified by AHS and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • more than 100 patient exam rooms;



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 160 inpatient unit beds; • more than 100 chemotherapy chairs; • increased space for clinical trials; • 12 radiation vaults, with three more shelled in for future growth; • new on-site underground parking with 1,650 stalls; • outpatient cancer clinics; clinical and operational support services and research laboratories.
Date of Next Meeting	Date: Thursday, September 22, 2022 Time: 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. Location: Online via Zoom. Contact community.engagement@ahs.ca for details.

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