



Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council
Friday, January 20th, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

| Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council | | | | | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Diahann Polege-Aulotte | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Joan Monson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Patricia (Pat) Esau |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Diane MacNaughton | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | John Erkelens | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ray Clark |
| R | Fred Bosma | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Julie Kelndorfer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Susan Sommerfeldt |
| R | Irene Pirie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Linda Grant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Veronika Kiryanova |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jim Hubbard | R | Michelle Miller | | <i>Vacant (CEN Zone)</i> |
| AHS Permanent Resource Persons | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Robyn Maddox, Senior Provincial Officer Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Niall MacDonald, Executive Director Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dr. Jim Silvius, Senior Medical Director Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <i>Crystal Stewart, Council Coordinator SCC PAC / Coordinator Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care</i> | | | | |
| AHS | | | | | |
| R | Dr. Braden Manns, interim Vice President Provincial Clinical Excellence | | | | |
| | Colin Zieber, Senior Operating Officer South Zone | | | | |
| T | Colleen Turner, Vice President Community Engagement and Communications | | | | |
| | Eleanor Risling, Executive Director Continuing Care Edmonton Zone | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Janet Kaplan, interim Executive Director Seniors Health North Zone | | | | |
| | Janine Sakatch, Executive Director Community Engagement & External Relations | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Lesley Myles, Executive Director Seniors Palliative & Continuing Care Calgary Zone | | | | |
| T | Lori Sparrow, Senior Operating Officer Community & Seniors Health Central Zone | | | | |
| PRESENTER | | | | | |
| | Dr. Jim Silvius, PSHCC Senior Medical Director Seniors Health & MAID Lead, Alberta Health Services | | | | |
| GUEST(S) | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Diane Therriault, Public Member – North Zone | | | | |
| | Donna Wilson, Public Member | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ida Edwards, Public Member – North Zone Athabasca | | | | |
| R | Susan MacDonald, Public Member – Central Zone Lacombe | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Bill Skinner, Public Member – Central Zone Lamont | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Nichole Batienco, Public Member – Edmonton Zone Edmonton | | | | |

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| | Call to Order | Diahann Polege-Aulotte |
| | Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands | Joan Monson |
| | Introduce Robyn Maddox, Senior Provincial Director – Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care | |
| 1. | Approval of SCC PAC Agenda: January 20 th , 2023 Agenda accepted as circulated by consensus | Agenda accepted |
| 2. | Approval of SCC PAC Meeting Minutes: October 14 th , 2022 Minutes accepted as circulated by consensus | Minutes accepted |
| 3. | Council Business | |
| | 3.1. Council recruitment activities 10 members' 6-year terms expiring December 2023: Interviews will occur beginning in 2023 Council Members are encouraged to share invitation to meetings and membership opportunity broadly across contacts and networks: www.ahs.ca/advisorycouncils | Council members interested in participating on Interview Panel: Pat Esau; Susan Sommerfeldt; John |



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| | <p>Three members each from North and Edmonton Zones; two from Calgary Zone, and one each from Central and South Zones.</p> <p>Seeking Council member(s) interested in participating in interview process.</p> | <p>Erkelens; Veronika Kiryanova</p> |
| 3.2. | <p>Chair & Vice Chair Election Crystal Stewart, ALL Chair and Vice Chair positions will become available effective 01 Sep 2023. Consider the roles and reach out to Diahann, Susan or Crystal for additional information or to put your name forward. Seeking Council member interested in Chair, Vice Chair roles.</p> | <p>Council members interested in Chair/Vice role: Diane MacNaughton, Pat Esau</p> |
| 3.3. | <p>2022 Advisory Council Satisfaction Survey Crystal Stewart, ALL Annual Advisory Council Satisfaction Survey sent 2023_0109 Survey closes at midnight Friday, January 27th, 2023 Council members are encouraged to respond to Satisfaction Survey.</p> | <p>Council members encouraged to complete survey.</p> |
| 3.4. | <p>2023/24 Council Commitments Crystal Stewart, ALL SCC PAC Commitments 2021-2023 Seeking two volunteers to review and revise existing SCC PAC Council Commitments for coming two years.</p> | <p>Council members participating in Commitments refresh: Pat Esau, John Erkelens</p> |
| 3.5. | <p>2022/23 Annual Report Crystal Stewart, ALL Seeking photos for the Annual Report – you will be contacted individually either with existing photo for use confirmation or request to provide if a photo is required.</p> | <p>Crystal will circulate photos/ requests following the meeting.</p> |
| 3.6. | <p>June 23/24, 2023 – Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council meeting in-person in Calgary Crystal Stewart, ALL Protocols, Crystal will confirm Ice breaker activity planning for Friday evening</p> | <p>Council members planning ice breaker for June in-person meeting: Julie Kelndorfer, Diahann Polege-Aulotte, Ray Clark</p> |
| 4. | <p>Quarterly Updates</p> | |
| 4.1. | <p>Chairs Report Diahann Polege-Aulotte, Susan Sommerfeldt Minutes from September and Agenda from December included in meeting package. Overview of December 9th, 2022 Council of Chairs meeting provided. Meeting was attended by AHS Official Administrator Dr. John Cowell and AHS interim CEO Mauro Chies. Next meeting being set in February 2023, Vice Chairs to be invited.</p> | |
| 4.2. | <p>Supporting Young Adults with Physical Disabilities Julie Kelndorfer Meeting cancelled, discussions around small homes and capital grants. AHS building out framework.</p> | |
| 4.3. | <p>CSA Technical Sub-committee Julie Kelndorfer Mental health and well-being in community residential care settings standard</p> | |



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| | <p>https://www.csagroup.org/wp-content/uploads/CSA-Group-Research-Supporting-Mental-Health-and-Well-Being-in-Community-Residential-Care-Settings.pdf (87 pages)</p> <p>Focused on mental health and well being in community residential care settings. Looking at updating names, terminology.</p> <p>Seed document that precipitated formation of this group; public document, link shared above.</p> |
| 4.4. | <p>Seniors Health Policy Development Joan Monson</p> <p>Monthly meeting; unable to attend January meeting.</p> |
| 4.5. | <p>Appropriate Prescribing and Medication Use Strategy for Older Albertans Susan Sommerfeldt</p> <p>Tool available to assist funded researchers by reviewing proposals and connecting like-minded individuals.</p> <p>Discussion regarding raising awareness of publicly available continuing care system navigation resources.</p> <p>Update provided on Canadian Deprescribing Network and opportunity for presentation fall 2023.</p> <p>www.deprescribingnetwork.ca</p> <p>www.choosingwiselycanada.org</p> <p>Discussion regarding expanded responsibility of pharmacists.</p> <p>https://rxa.ca/for-the-public/your-pharmacist/can/.</p> |
| 4.6. | <p>Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care Niall MacDonald</p> <p>AHS Provincial Seniors Health, Zone colleagues and Contracting Procurement and Supply Management (CPSM) establishing <i>Enterprise-Wide Provincial Performance Management Offices</i> to assist with data collection and issues tracking and monitoring. Working Group being struck; seeking to include patient/family representation. Meeting commitment would be q2-3 months TBD. Volunteers: Diahann Polege-Aulotte; Jim Hubbard.</p> <p>Updates:</p> <p>Much work underway related to the continuing care component for patients in acute care waiting for placement – as part of larger organizational acute care pressures and continuing care can support system outflow.</p> <p>Home Care RFEIOQ - reviewing innovation bundles for opportunities. Small homes components. Continue to work with Alberta Health on these and other grant opportunities.</p> <p>Discussion regarding varied practice and care guidelines across Zones and work underway to shift toward a more standardized approach.</p> |
| | <p>Council members interested in CSPMO Working Group: Diahann Polege-Aulotte, Jim Hubbard. Niall MacDonald will forward names internally.</p> |



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| | <p>Discussion regarding small homes and ability to support young adults or other specific non-senior continuing care populations: offer increased flexibility to support specialized, specific populations.</p> <p>Discussion regarding non-health related reasons individuals require continuing care placement: groceries, transportation, access to community. Need versus age.</p> <p>Discussion regarding perception continuing care placement is achieved most quickly through ED/acute care. Lends to system pressures currently being experienced.</p> |
| 4.7. | <p>Community Care Innovation Forum Julie Kelndorfer</p> <p>Attended Forum Jan 18. Three themes: caring for people in community; social determinants of health; and technology enabled health and care. Opportunities for this group to learn about this work and plans moving forward.</p> <p>Many gaps identified; solutions not discussed in as much depth due to time limitations. Goal is to live safely in community. There will be a report; uncertain of how broadly it will be shared.</p> |
| 4.8. | <p>Modernizing Alberta’s Primary Care System (MAPS) Joan Monson</p> <p>Attended session Jan 16/17. Discussed opportunities to reconfigure primary health care (PHC) to be more accessible, what kind of models could be used to improve.</p> <p>Discussion regarding Council actions out of these sessions. Additional opportunities will be shared with SCC PAC as they arise. Primary Care is the purview of Alberta Health (not Alberta Health Services). The same consultants participated in both the Primary Care and the Community Care</p> |
| P. | <p>Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) and Mental Health Dr. Jim Silvius</p> <p>History and timeline provided: February 2015: <i>Carter v. Canada</i> – prohibition against MAID violated the <i>Charter of Rights and Freedoms</i>. June 2016: Bill C-14 – Legalization of MAID, required a parliamentary review by June 2020. November 2018: Federal regulations for the monitoring of MAID. September 2019: <i>Truchon v. Canada</i> – Removal of ‘reasonable foreseeability of natural death’ criterion; February 2020: Bill C-7, “An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying). October 2020: Re-introduction of Bill C06; March 17, 2021: Bill C-7 proclaimed.</p> <p>Federal and provincial MAID-related statistics shared onscreen</p> <p>May 13, 2022: Final Report Expert Panel on MAID and Mental Illness. December 2022: Targeted consultation on proposed national approach on Mental Illness. December 2022: Delay indicated to include Mental Disorders.</p> |



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| <p>Government will not be changing legislation. Mental Health will qualify as an acceptable primary diagnosis for MAID provision with expectation applicants meet all Track 2 requirements including a 90-day wait and appropriate consultation that may include psychiatric consultation.</p> <p>Other changes in 2023 include new reporting requirements to include additional demographics related to social determinants of health; and AHS assuming role as Designate Recipient and responsibility for reporting to Health Canada; ability to update forms; assuming responsibility for the Regulatory Review Committee.</p> <p>Discussion followed regarding 'gatekeeper' for provision decisions. Alberta is more conservative than other provinces; system structured with independence of assessors. Practitioners not interesting in participating can refer patients to the AHS MAID Navigator Coordination Service. Unique conditions and areas of vulnerability discussed – assessors need to truly understand motivations behind requests and identify potential options to address issues outside MAID. Individuals with lived mental health experience and practitioners in the field have been engaged at the federal level and guidelines developed are in-line with their perspectives. Discussion regarding caregiver coercion expressed. Three requests have been stopped in-process where this issue was identified. Due diligence requires review of concerns brought forward across all requests to ensure we are not in a situation where someone is being coerced. Discussion regarding psychiatrist as assessor versus consultant: much more attuned than an assessor outside the mental health field. Discussion regarding assessor acting as navigator to assist requester in addressing needs. Many identified gaps are outside the scope of the healthcare system. Issue has been raised for address.</p> | |
| <p>Seniors & Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council Meeting Adjournment</p> | <p>16:38h</p> |
| <p>Next Meeting Friday, April 14th, 2023 Zoom</p> | |