



Palliser Triangle Health Advisory Council Commitments and Priorities 2021 - 2023

Goals		
Advisory Council Goals	<p>Council will receive regular updates and overview of progress from the Zone Executive Leadership and the AHS board to ensure we are best serving our communities.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build awareness of the Council's roles and responsibilities to the public. • Gather community input, validate it, and provide challenges and opportunities in your Council area to the AHS local leadership and AHS Board. • Provide opportunities for AHS to work with Councils to share information about AHS healthcare programs and services with communities. • Provide input to healthcare programs, services, or emerging initiatives. 	
Topic	Priorities and Commitments	Tracking
Addiction and Mental Health	<p>Council has identified access to Mental Health and Wellness supports and services as a top priority in our Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request involvement in regional service planning for Addiction and Mental Health services. • Partner with AHS Addiction and Mental Health to share information on the opioid crisis and addiction resources. • Seek to better understand the service relationship between AHS and local groups supporting mental health and addictions. 	To be reviewed May 1, 2022
Seniors Health and Continuing Care	<p>Council has identified Seniors and Continuing Care services as a top priority in our Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request the opportunity to participate in regional service planning. • Seek to better understand what types of training is available to seniors and continuing care staff, particularly in dementia care, and provide advice to AHS leadership on where the community perceived gaps or inadequacies in training or where the community sees successes that should be celebrated and/or replicated. 	To be reviewed May 1, 2022



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsor a community engagement event to gather community input into seniors care and provide updated AHS service information back to the communities. 	
Rural Health	<p>Council has identified access to health services in rural areas as a top priority in our Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with the Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RhPAP) and Primary Care Networks (PCNs) to promote local resources, retention and recruitment of physicians and general health professionals who provide services in the Council area. • Ensure the availability of virtual health services to rural patients. 	To be reviewed May 1, 2022
Communication	<p>Council has identified communication with the public as an important area.</p> <p>Council commits to working with AHS and South Zone to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the readability and brevity of public information by providing advice on where specialized medical terminology and nomenclature can create a barrier to understanding. • Provide input and advice to improve the ease of online navigation and to increase the amount of local/regional information online. 	To be reviewed May 1, 2022