



Lesser Slave Lake Health Advisory Council Commitments and Priorities 2022 - 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 each Council member's area to 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 acknowledges the efforts AHS has made and the initiatives it has implemented to improve Addiction and Mental Health Services across our region.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with AHS Addiction and Mental Health to host a community event to listen to the community; create awareness of the HAC; provide opportunities to engage public and gather feedback about health services; and use Together4Health to follow up with attendees and gather input. • Partner with AHS Addiction and Mental Health to share information on the opioid crisis and addiction resources. • Learn about the new Rural Mental Health Project sponsored by Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) and Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) offices in the Council area. • Learn about the new RCSD relaunch and share information with our communities about mental health supports for children and youth. 	<p>To be reviewed April 1, 2023</p>
Seniors and Continuing Care	<p>Council has identified that Seniors and Continuing Care services as a top priority in our Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p>	<p>To be reviewed April 1, 2023</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with AHS Seniors Health portfolio / other local groups to present on senior's safety at home, fall prevention, etc. • Partner with AHS Health System Integration and have Dr. Lewanczuk present to our community on new initiatives in our area. 	
Indigenous Relations	<p>Council has identified Indigenous Relations as a top priority in the Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To partner with the Indigenous Wellness Core to host a community event to listen to the community; create awareness of the HAC; provide opportunities to engage with and gather public feedback about health services. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Invite outside agencies to partner in presentation. ○ Use Together4Health to follow up with attendees and gather input. • Meet with Chief and Councils with a goal to build relationships with Indigenous communities in the Council area. • Partner with AHS and the Wisdom Council to promote local resources. • Hold one Council meeting in an Indigenous community by June 2023. 	To be reviewed April 1, 2023
Rural Health	<p>Council has identified that Rural Health services as a top priority in the Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite rural municipal leaders to meetings/events to raise awareness of the HAC. • Partner with AHS on mental health services offered in rural areas. • Partner with Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RhPAP) and Primary Care Networks (PCNs) to promote resources and service delivery options in rural Alberta. 	To be reviewed April 1, 2023
Public Health	<p>Council has identified Public Health services as a top priority in our Council area.</p> <p>Council commits to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pandemic recovery – reinforce public health guidelines and vaccination benefits. Stress importance to stop spread of misinformation. Share public health resources available with community. • Partner with AHS Population and Public Health and a local Medical Officer of Health to host a community event on immunizations, listen, and raise awareness of the HAC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide opportunities to engage public and gather feedback about health services. ○ Use Together4Health to follow up with attendees and gather input. 	Ongoing