



**Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council**

**Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.**

<b>Seniors &amp; Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Diahann Polege-Aulotte	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joan Monson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Diane MacNaughton, Vice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Erkelens
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Diane Therriault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Kelndorfer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irene Pirie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Handrahan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Irene Donohue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ken Hanson
R	Jim Hubbard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Linda Grant
			Michelle Miller
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Patricia (Pat) Esau, Chair</b>
		R	Ray Clark
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Susan Sommerfeldt
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Veronika Kiryanova
			<i>Vacant (SOU Zone)</i>
<b>AHS Permanent Resource Persons</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robyn Maddox, Senior Provincial Officer Provincial Seniors Health & Continuing Care		
	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 &amp; Continuing Care</i>		
<b>AHS</b>			
R	Colin Zieber, Senior Operating Officer South Zone		
	Eleanor Risling, Executive Director Continuing Care Edmonton Zone		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janine Sakatch, Executive Director Community Engagement & External Relations		
T	Janet Kaplan, Executive Director Seniors Health North Zone		
	Lesley Myles, Executive Director Seniors, Palliative and Continuing Care Calgary Zone		
R	Lori Sparrow, Senior Operating Officer Community and Seniors Health Central Zone		
R	Natalie McMurtry, Interim Vice President Provincial Clinical Excellence		
<b>Guests &amp; Public Members</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ann Stewart, High Prairie, North Zone Member Pending		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cathy Fox, TOWN, South Zone Member Pending		
	Dakarai Mhalanga, Edmonton, Edmonton Zone Member Pending		
	Ejehi Faith Akhile, Calgary, Calgary Zone Member Pending		
	Jill Chambers, Calgary, Calgary Zone Member Pending		
	Susan MacDonald, TOWN, Central Zone Member Pending		
<b>Presenter(s)</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bev Rhodes, Executive Director Training & Health Informatics, Continuing Care & Seniors, AHS Connect Care Clinical Operations		

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	<p><b>Call to Order</b></p> <p><b>Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands</b></p> <p>Our work takes place on historical and contemporary Indigenous lands, including the territories of Treaty 6, Treaty 7 and Treaty 8, and the homeland of the Métis Nation of Alberta and eight Métis Settlements. We also acknowledge the many Indigenous communities that have been forged in urban centres across Alberta.</p>	Pat Esau
<b>P.</b>	<p><b>Connect Care and Continuing Care</b></p> <p>Connect Care implementation timeline shared on-screen. Continuing Care rolling out with Launch 7 recently completed and Launches 8, 9 and 10 through the coming years. Connect Care includes tools required to deliver and document patient care.</p> <p>Details shared related to continuing care services pilots underway and services coming on-line.</p>	Bev Rhodes
		<p><b>Bev Rhodes will take received feedback to Continuing Care Connect Care team.</b></p>



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<p>Discussion followed confirming rollout of Connect Care in Continuing Care; inclusion of Primary Care in Connect Care; Nurse Practitioners and how they will incorporate into Connect Care; contracted partner HCA access to Connect Care tools; MyAHS app; provincial standardization of practice and recording.</p>	<p><b>Crystal will circulate presentation following the meeting.</b></p>
<p><b>1. Approval of SCC PAC Agenda:</b> December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Crystal for Sophie Sapergia: 4.8 b – Continuing Care Act, New Terminology Remove Veronika Kiryanova from 3.2, 3.3</p>	<p><b>Agenda accepted with changes</b></p>
<p><b>2. Approval of SCC PAC Meeting Minutes:</b> September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023</p>	<p><b>Minutes accepted as circulated</b></p>
<b>3. Quarterly Updates</b>	
<p><b>3.1. Chairs Report</b> <span style="float: right;">Pat Esau</span>            Debrief out of government information session had Chairs expressing frustration. Council of Chairs set for Dec (date) was cancelled as AHS and Board leadership were not available to attend.             John Erkelens and I presented to David Thompson Health Advisory Council on SCC PAC; a good information session with sharing and learning.</p>	
<p><b>3.2. Neuroscience, Rehabilitation and Vision SCN</b> <span style="float: right;">Julie Kelndorfer</span>            Stepping back from this work aside from a work-related side project.</p>	
<p><b>3.3. Supporting Young Adults with Physical Disabilities</b> <span style="float: right;">Julie Kelndorfer</span>            This call occurs at the same time as another I attend, no update on this item.             Appreciation for Julie’s passion representing young adults in continuing care expressed.</p>	
<p><b>3.4. Seniors Health Policy Development</b> <span style="float: right;">Joan Monson</span>            Seniors Health Policy Development looks at new policies and procedures as well as those due for review prior to renewal. Group prepares and provides overview for consideration from patient/public perspective. Have reviewed policies and procedures related to suicide, care planning, restraint as a last resort, transition trauma, skin and wound care – about 14 or 15 different documents. Work on Access and Waitlist Management procedure just starting.             Gratitude expressed to Joan – you’ve made policy come alive!</p>	<p><b>Diane Theriault, Irene Donohue interested in joining this group.</b></p> <p><b>Crystal will inquire about presentation from Seniors Health Policy Development for future meeting.</b></p>
<p><b>3.5. Appropriate Prescribing and Medication Uses Strategy for Older Albertans</b> <span style="float: right;">Susan Sommerfeldt</span>            This group looks as use of medications by seniors and includes care providers, physicians, pharmacists. Purpose over the last year was to develop screening tool for prospective research. Projects discussed with direction toward deprescribing for seniors, as well as appropriate use of medication. Overuse of antipsychotics being used to manage behaviours rather than non-pharmaceutical options. Spotlight for practitioners to question prescribing practices as well as families to consider necessity of</p>	



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<p>medication. Have developed tools to assist family members to discuss medication review with care provider.</p> <p>Thanks expressed to Susan for sitting at this table; your knowledge and dedication have been greatly appreciated.</p> <p><b>My Care Conversations Consult Recording App</b> Susan Sommerfeldt          There is so much information shared at appointments that it is difficult for people to retain it all, even when taking notes. Access Centre provided link to this tool. Consider using this app when you next visit your healthcare provider, especially when discussing medications.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> <a href="#">My Care Conversations App</a>  <a href="#">  Alberta Health Services</a> </p>
<p><b>3.6. Quality of Life Working Groups</b> John Erkelens, Veronika Kiryanova          John attended meeting in July and nothing since; will reach out to ensure they have my address.</p> <p>Veronika attended Framework Working Group meetings; reviewed Measurement WG discussion regarding tool selection and implementation; education and continuing care culture change. Want to ensure resources are maintained for future use. The Framework WG continues to seek framework to slot in initiatives. Will begin attending Toolkit WG meetings in January.</p> <p>Quality of Life work priority for Alberta Health as well as AHS. We have assurance this work needs to proceed on current course. Four WGs: Steering; Measurement; Framework and Toolkit. Toolkit will operationalize recommendations from Framework WG. Framework have reviewed document out of BC; discussion two weeks ago identified gaps and issues that need to be addressed – Measurement has taken that away. Measurement Chair is Mattias Hoben; a national expert in this area; leading group to identify appropriate measurements.</p>	
<p><b>4. Council Business</b></p>	
<p><b>4.1. CSA Public Consultation on the new national standard, <i>Mental Health and Well-Being in Long-term Care and Assisted Living Settings (CSA Z2004)</i>, focusing on younger residents</b> Julie Kelndorfer</p> <p>Context and background: two national standards published to address safety of residents in LTC. <i>Mental Health and Well-Being in Long-term Care and Assisted Living</i> for all residents; group I led focused on younger residents. Circulated initial documentation about a year ago. Spoke to younger population being not understood in the LTC setting. Pleased to report public consultation through fall 2023; one focused on younger residents. Person-centred care, transition, rehabilitation, community participation were areas of note for younger LTC residents. Excited to see this work come to fruition. One of the pieces out of public consultation was breadth of standards and desire for specificity led to</p>	



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	<p>reference for younger resident supplemental assessment; will share link to paper as is very impactful.  <a href="https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34484499/">https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34484499/</a></p>
<b>4.2.</b>	<p><b>My Care Conversations App</b> Susan Sommerfeldt  <a href="#">My Care Conversations App   Alberta Health Services</a>          Addressed with item 3.5</p>
<b>4.3.</b>	<p><b>Fireside Chat: Provincial Advisory Councils</b> <b>IN CAMERA</b>          Janine Sakatch, Robyn Maddox, Jim Silvius</p>
<b>4.4.</b>	<p><b>Provincial Seniors Health &amp; Continuing Care Update</b>          Robyn Maddox, Jim Silvius          Covered during Fireside Chat</p>
<b>4.5.</b>	<p><b>Provincial Seniors Health &amp; Continuing Care Update</b> Niall MacDonald          Work underway across teams as follows:          Continuing Care Capacity – call for available capacity will be circulated in the near term          Home Care – client-directed care; dementia client caregiver overnight support project launching in Calgary          Added/Extraordinary Care policy work completed, thank you to all PAC members who provided valuable input.          Quality of Life initiatives ongoing as discussed previously. Work will continue through 2025. Work to align Continuing Care Directory with new Continuing Care Act in 2024.          Issues and Follow Up Tracking System for site implementation by Mar 2024 for facility and later for Home Care.          OAG Report on Continuing Care; responses to recommendations submitted with meeting planned in early 2024. Implementation will be audited again in two years.          Updated Finding Palliative Care Services page. Expansion to Palliative Home Care. Increase utilization of home-based palliative care.          Hospice capacity expansion; call coming out for additional capacity.          Clinical Standardization reviewing assessments for individual accuracy and coding consistency/standardized.          Work underway related to new Continuing Care Act.          Continuing Care Transformation hours of care funding increased in Jul 2023; HCA wages permanently increased to align with COVID. Small Care Homes grant application closed with work to start in 2024.          Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics work being rebooted.          EnvisAGE technology project to evaluate and integrate technology to address needs for older Albertans and staff. Zones and sites will identify where technology would be useful and what technology would be best. 5-year project, funded for pilots but not for ongoing support.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Continuing Care Act – New Terminology</b> <b>IN CAMERA</b>          Sophie Sapergia</p>



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<p><b>4.6. Recognition of retiring members and accomplishments of the Seniors and Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council, 2018 through 2023</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Crystal Stewart, All</p> <p>Diahann Polege-Aulotte      Joan Monson      Linda Grant</p> <p>Irene Pirie                      John Erkelens      Ray Clark</p> <p>Jim Hubbard                      Julie Kelndorfer      Susan Sommerfeldt</p>		<p><b>Crystal will circulate presentation following the meeting.</b></p>
<b>Seniors &amp; Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council Round Table</b>		
<b>Seniors &amp; Continuing Care Provincial Advisory Council Meeting Adjournment</b>		<b>Adjourned at 5:03</b>
<p><b>Next Meeting</b> Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom</p>		