

# Child & Youth Standing Committee

This committee is supported by working groups and a network of members across Alberta. It is co-chaired by:

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## Purpose:

The Standing Committees of the Maternal Newborn Child and Youth (MNCY) Strategic Clinical Network (SCN) advance the mandate of the MNCY SCN by identifying and guiding the focus and priorities for clinical and other stakeholders to address maternal, newborn, child and youth health issues. The work of these committees will guide the building of maternal and child capacity and capability across the Alberta health care system. The focus specifically is:

- patient outcomes, using evidence & measurement (effectiveness)
- patient satisfaction & experience (accessibility and acceptability)
- clinical practices, including appropriateness of care (effectiveness & appropriateness)
- efficiency and reduction in unjustifiable clinical practice variation (efficiency & effectiveness)
- patient & system safety (safety)
- value for money (efficiency, effectiveness, appropriateness)
- prevention of disease and proactively lessen specific burdens of illness in Alberta



## **Responsibilities**

The Child & Youth Standing Committee of the MNCY SCN shall:

- receive issues related to child and youth health
- identify and address gaps between current practice and best practice
- Address issues related to the child & youth population.
- utilize appropriate data to set priorities to identify and prioritize population and geographic variation, equity and disparity in the delivery of care, promotion of health and prevention of disease
- develop recommendations, implement and evaluate quality, safety and access improvement strategies or initiatives based on identified priorities
- create standard provincial evidenced based approaches to care
- include policies, standards, data requirements, performance measures, benchmarking and cost effectiveness measures in reports on progress
- provide endorsement of Pediatric related Clinical Knowledge Content Management topics and Clinical Practice Guidelines that come to committee
- support research activities
- communicate and champion committee activities to appropriate clinician and stakeholder groups
- lead relevant knowledge translation and develop mechanisms to share learnings across the organization

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