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AHS consolidates programs, services at Lethbridge Centre

LETHBRIDGE – A wide array of community health services have been moved under one roof, enabling local residents to meet with multiple care teams without needing to travel.

Lethbridge Centre, located at 200 4 Ave. S., is now home to several Alberta Health Services (AHS) programs and services, including child and adolescent addiction and mental health, rehabilitation services, audiology and home care.

“It’s invaluable to patients when they can come to one location for so many services, have full accessibility for those with mobility issues, and have available parking,” says Grant Walker, Senior Operating Officer, Community Programs.

Other improvements include:

- Home care now has 12 consultation rooms, up from two at its previous location. From these rooms, Home Care clients can now meet with members of their multi-disciplinary care team, wherever they are in the province, via Telehealth videoconferencing technology.
- Additional appointment times are now available for child and adolescent Addiction and Mental Health services.
- All local audiology services are now at the facility.

“The project involved consolidating the spaces AHS was leasing, primarily in the Lethbridge Centre tower, to a large vacant space at the west end of the site,” says Walker. “AHS would benefit from enhanced, purpose-built redeveloped space where programs could be together.”

More improvements are planned, he adds.

“A pilot is also underway to provide IV therapy here for clients who previously had to go to the Emergency Department,” Walker says.

Programs and services located at the Lethbridge Centre include:

- Aboriginal Health
- ACCESS Centre
- Alberta Healthy Living Program (formerly Building Healthy Lifestyles)
- Audiology and Children’s Allied Health (formerly Children’s CARE Services)
- Allied Health – Rehab Therapies
- Cardiovascular Health and Stroke Strategic Clinical Network
- Child and Adolescent Addiction and Mental Health

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