

Greater Edmonton
Health Advisory Council

## Floyd strives to be an agent of healthcare change to benefit his community.

Floyd House has always wondered about what goes on behind the curtain, so to speak, when decisions are made about healthcare in Alberta.

It's this 'healthy' curiosity that led him to his current role as a member of the Greater Edmonton Health Advisory Council (HAC).

"I've been involved with healthcare as a pre-hospital professional for 29 years and was curious of how and why some of the decisions are made," he says.

Floyd's motivation also includes the fact that "I've had great and not-so-great experiences with the healthcare system — and I want to help remove the not-so-great.



Floyd House enjoys spending time with his family as well as camping in the great Alberta outdoors.

"I want to see change. I want to be a part of changes to different health services as they pertain to my community."

One life-changing experience that put him on the path toward HAC service came about when his mother lost a leg to diabetes, and now has to live in a hospital setting to receive the extended care she requires.

He also believes it's important for more people to be made aware that Health Advisory Councils are active and do have some influence to bring about positive change.

Floyd is also passionate about helping the homeless in his community.

"I serve the homeless," he adds, and "I have a group out of Edmonton— it's called Community Outreach YEG (<a href="www.communityoutreachyeg.ca">www.communityoutreachyeg.ca</a>) — and our team has about 35 members. We dedicate ourselves to feeding and clothing the homeless."

In his leisure time, Floyd enjoys time with his family as well as camping.

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