



Lesser Slave Lake Health Advisory Council Commitments and Priorities 2021 - 2023

| Goals | | |
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| 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. | Winter 2021 |
| 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> | Spring 2022 |



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| | <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 2022. | Fall 2021 |
| 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. | Fall 2021 |
| 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 |