



Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council is recruiting new members!

Dear community member:

On behalf of the Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council, I would like to inform you of a volunteer opportunity with our Council, and invite you to apply.

As a member, you will have the opportunity to engage your neighbours, friends and community about health service delivery; to provide a local perspective to AHS on our province-wide system; participate in engagement activities that contribute to improving healthcare services; and to provide feedback on what is working well in the healthcare system, and areas in need of improvement.

More specifically, we are seeking people who are:

- Passionate about healthcare and service delivery and live in the [Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council area](#)
- 18 years of age or older
- Appreciative of, and/or from diverse backgrounds of knowledge and experience
- Connected to their community

We host [public meetings and community events in our Council area](#) (expenses paid) and our members participate in community activities to hear from, and share information with community members. Learn more about the Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council on the next page.

[Click here to learn more and to apply.](#) **Application deadline is November 22, 2021.**

We look forward to your application. If you are unable to apply but know a person suitable for the role, please share this invite with them.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Heslin, Chair
Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council





Building a better health system with the voice of our community

Where we are

The communities that Yellowhead East Health Advisory Council serves range from the cities of Camrose and Lloydminster to a number of rural and small communities including Hardisty, Two Hills and Wainwright. Our geographic area covers a range of landscapes, industries, and demographics, as well as long-established communities and quickly expanding urban centres.



Accomplishments

- Promoted the awareness of Council at meetings and by presenting at community events such as the Central Rural Municipalities (CRMA) meeting in Ponoka (2019).
- Participated on the Central Zone Primary Care Network (PCN) and the Central Zone Patient Flow Conference (2019). We also held virtual engagement sessions on seniors and continuing care and addiction and mental health.
- Hosted a Virtual Wellness Fair and presented wellness sessions for everyday living grounded in the 6 Dimensions of Wellness – environment, spiritual, emotional, physical and social.
- Partnered with AHS to host a Community Conversation in Viking (2019). Varied stakeholders engaged in discussion about wellness, prevention and community care as well as opportunities for future partnerships.
- Partnered with AHS to host two community engagement events (2021)
 - 31 stakeholders viewed a screening of the [Greg's Wings Project](#). We then engaged in discussion on improving the healthcare journey for patients and their families
 - Participated in an additional COVID-19 [Community Conversation](#) to learn about AHS testing sites and resources available to the community.

Our role and objectives

Everything we do is about improving the health and wellness of Albertans, no matter what part of the province they live in. We:

- Are a group of volunteers focused on listening to your thoughts and ideas on health services to help AHS enhance care locally and province-wide.
- Develop partnerships between the province's diverse communities and AHS.
- Provide feedback about what is working well within the healthcare system and suggest areas for improvement.
- Promote opportunities for members of our local communities to get engaged.

Join us - your voice matters

There are a number of opportunities to participate:

- Attend an [upcoming Council](#) meeting to hear feedback, offer comments, and ask questions.
- [Make a presentation](#) at our Council meeting on a health area of interest or concern to you.
- Bring your community's voice forward to provide input on local and regional health.
- Volunteer your time as a Council member. Recruitment is ongoing until a Council is at maximum membership. Members are appointed for a three-year term.
- Share your feedback with Council: Yellowhead@ahs.ca.



More information

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