Province names new Alberta Health Services board members

Board oversees delivery of health services

Edmonton ... Following an extensive recruitment process, the Alberta government has named the permanent Alberta Health Services board. Eight new individuals will join the seven interim board members to form the 15-member board, effective Dec.1.

“I’m delighted to have such well respected and highly knowledgeable individuals serving on the Alberta Health Services board,” said Ron Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness. “We are extremely fortunate these individuals are interested in and committed to helping Albertans in this capacity.”

“Board members have diverse yet complementary skills in areas including health, business, law, finance and academia. Albertans and Alberta’s health care system will be well served by their collective expertise.”

The board, which reports directly to the Minister of Health and Wellness, includes 13 members from Alberta, one member from Ontario and one member from the United States. All members are Canadian citizens, which is a requirement under regulation.

Ken Hughes will continue to serve as chair for a three-year term. Five board members were appointed for a one-year term with the possibility of a three-year renewal, pending approval of the chair and Minister. Another five board members were appointed for a two-year term and the remaining five members were appointed for a three-year term. All board members will receive honoraria and their travel expenses will be paid.

An executive search firm was hired to assist with the recruitment and selection process. Applications were sought through advertising in local and provincial newspapers.

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Backgrounder: A list of board members is attached.

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Alberta Health Services board members

A 15-member permanent board has been appointed to lead Alberta Health Services, the provincial authority responsible for delivering health services in Alberta. Members of the board are as follows:

**Former interim board members**

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| Ken Hughes, Springbank (chair) | Three-year term       | President, Alpine Insurance and Financial Inc.  
Former MP, Macleod riding  
Former interim chair, Alberta Health Services board |
| Catherine Roozen, Edmonton (vice-chair) | Three-year term       | Director and Secretary, Cathton Holdings Ltd. and the Allard Foundation  
Board member, Melcor Developments Ltd. and Corus Entertainment Inc. |
| Jack Ady, Cardston        | One-year term         | Former Chair, Chinook Health Region  
Former Member, Mount Royal College Board of Governors |
| Linda Hohol, Calgary      | Two-year term         | Past President, TSX Venture Exchange  
Former Executive Vice President, Wealth Management, CIBC |
| John Lehners, Grande Prairie | Two-year term         | Partner, Bearisto, Lehners, Ketchum Engineering Ltd.  
Trustee, Grande Prairie School District |
| Irene Lewis, Calgary      | Three-year term       | President and CEO, SAIT Polytechnic  
Chair, Alberta Economic Development Authority’s Energy Resource Committee |
| Don Sieben, Edmonton      | Three-year term       | Chartered accountant  
Member, Athabasca University and University of Alberta Board of Governors |

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| Lori Andreachuk, Medicine Hat | One-year term         | Senior Partner, Andreachuk Popovitch Barristers and Solicitors  
Former Adjudicator, Human Rights Commission |
| Gord Bontje, Red Deer     | Two-year term         | President and CEO, Laebon Developments Ltd.  
Former Chair, Red Deer Catholic Regional School Division |
Teri Lynn Bougie, Sherwood Park  
Two-year term  
Partner, Ahlstrom Wright Oliver and Cooper LLP  
Past President, Sherwood Park and District Chamber of Commerce

Jim Clifford, Wyckoff, New Jersey  
One-year term  
Executive Vice President, Quantia Communications  
Former Group Company Chair, CommonHealth  
University of Alberta alumnus

Strater Crowfoot, DeWinton  
Two-year term  
Executive Director and CEO, Indian Oil and Gas Canada  
Former Board Member, National Energy Board of Canada

Tony Franceschini, Edmonton  
Three-year term  
President and CEO, Stantec Inc.  
Director, CCI Thermal Technologies Inc. and Esterline Technologies Corporation

Andreas Laupacis, Toronto, Ontario  
One-year term  
Executive Director, Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute  
Physician  
Member, Health Advisory Committee, Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research

Gord Winkel, Fort McMurray  
One-year term  
Vice President on loan from Syncrude Canada Ltd. to Imperial  
Oil/ExxonMobil  
Former Board Member, Northern Lights Health Region

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