INTEGRATED CARE CONSULTATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

Her Majesty the Queen in right of Alberta
as represented by the Minister of Health
("AH")

-and-

Alberta Medical Association
(C.M.A. Alberta Division)
("AMA")

-and-

Alberta Health Services
("AHS")

WHEREAS:

A) The Parties have undertaken several initiatives aimed at providing sustainable high quality care.

B) These initiatives include Primary Care Networks, payment reforms and improvements to information management and technology.

C) Attention must be made to integrated care throughout the health care system which requires the integration of delivery models and the support mechanisms that are being developed.

1. The Parties shall work towards an integrated care delivery strategy, working within existing committees and structures, or creating new committees and structures where necessary ("Consultation").

2. The Consultation will consider the following:

   a) community-based integration programs, bringing together community and AHS resources;

   b) the role of funding and physician payment models in the integration of care;

   c) the opportunities for stewardship and performance incentives which consider the impact of physician decisions on utilization of health system resources;

   d) the opportunities presented by Strategic Clinical Networks for aligning care and promoting evidence-based decisions; and

   e) access of physicians to change-management support programs offered by all the parties, with an emphasis on promoting integrated care.
3. The parties agree that AMA will work on accountability models including but not limited to:
   a) models that address relativity such as the Adjusted Net Daily Income (ANDI) approach; and
   b) models that consider increased accountability for utilization such as a section accountability model.

4. The Management Committee shall develop recommendations to the Minister in regards to the above matters, and report on all activities as required.

5. This agreement is in force until March 31st, 2018.

This Integrated Care Consultation Agreement is entered into by each of the undersigned by its authorized representative:

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta as represented by the Minister of Health

Michael Gormley
Executive Director, Alberta Medical Association (C.M.A. Alberta Division)

President and CEO, Alberta Health Services

Nov 13, 2016
Date

Nov 15, 2016
Date