

RhPAP's Rural Community Development and Engagement Team

The Community Development and Engagement (CD&E) Team is composed of Rural Community Consultants located throughout Alberta. Each member has a unique set of skills and experiences that enhance the work we do with communities to attract, retain, and integrate healthcare professionals in rural Alberta.

Our path forward

RhPAP has a three-year strategic plan with specific goals focused on the attraction and retention of health professionals to rural Alberta, and providing high school and post-secondary students with exposure to lifestyles and health careers in rural Albertan communities.

Resources for rural communities

- Support for Attraction and Retention Committees (A&R) and working groups to develop and expand A&R strategies to professionals across all health disciplines
- Attraction and Retention Toolkit
- Community grants to support grassroots attraction and retention initiatives and enable access to learning
- Learning opportunities and information sessions to highlight attraction, retention, and integration strategies from various stakeholders across the province
- High school and post-secondary events
- Biennial provincial Attraction and Retention Conference

Our partners

We partner with a range of provincial organizations and institutions including:

- Alberta Health
- Alberta Health Services (Medical Affairs, Community Engagement, Talent Acquisition/Solutions, Allied Health Professions Practice and Education)
- Covenant Health
- Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) and Alberta Municipalities
- Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) – Alberta Division, Rural Mental Health Network
- Rural Alberta high schools
- Alberta post-secondary institutions including universities, regional colleges, and technical institutions

Measuring success

We measure success in several ways:

- Rural and remote Alberta communities form and sustain effective A&R Committees
- Communities become champions of A&R work, leading to the positive integration of healthcare professionals into rural settings long term
- High school and post-secondary events expose and inspire student learners to rural health professions, leading to students choosing to practice rural

The Rural Health Professions Action Plan supports rural Albertans to keep health care close to home. For more information on RhPAP, please visit RhPAP.ca

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Northwest Zone

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A&R Committees

- Fairview & Area
- Grande Cache & Area
- Grimshaw & Area
- High Prairie & Area
- Manning & Area
- Peace River & Area
- Smoky River Area (Regional)
- South Peace Area (Regional)
- Spirit River & Area
- Valleyview & Area
- Worsley & Area

Northeast Zone

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A&R Committees

- Athabasca/Boyle & Area
- Barrhead & Area
- Bonnyville & Area
- Cold Lake & Area
- Lac la Biche & Area
- Mayerthorpe
- Slave Lake & Area
- Smoky Lake & Area
- St. Paul & Area
- Swan Hills
- Wabamun
- Wabasca & Area
- Westlock & Area
- Whitecourt & Area



West Central Zone

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A&R Committees

- Banff & Area
- Edson & Area
- Drayton Valley & Area
- Hinton
- Olds
- Rimbey & Area
- Rocky Mountain House & Area
- Sundre & Area
- Sylvan Lake & Area

South Zone

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A&R Committees

- Bassano & Area
- Brooks & Area
- Claresholm & Area
- Crowsnest Pass & Area
- Milk River & Area
- Nanton & Area
- Picture Butte & Area
- Pincher Creek & Area
- Vulcan & Area

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A&R Committees

- Blackfalds
- Castor & Area
- Coronation & Area
- Drumheller & Area
- Flagstaff County
- Hanna & Area
- Kneehill County
- Lamont
- Oyen
- Ponoka
- Provost & Area
- Stettler & Area
- Tofield & Area
- Two Hills & Area
- Vegreville & Area
- Vermilion & Area
- Viking
- Wainwright & Area
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