

# Alberta Health Services: Get to Know Us



## HISTORY



Founded  
May 2008

Brought together

**9** regional health  
authorities

and

**3** agencies

Largest,  
fully-integrated  
health system  
in Canada.



## WHO WE ARE

Vision:

Healthy Albertans. Healthy Communities. Together.

Mission:

To provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans.

Values:

Compassion, Accountability, Respect, Excellence, Safety

Four foundational strategies:

- Patient First Strategy
- Our People Strategy
- Clinical Health Research, Innovation and Analytics Strategy
- Information Management/Information Technology Strategy

## BY THE NUMBERS - CLINICAL

2015-2016



**116,462**  
Unique home  
care clients

**55,281**  
Births



**2.81 million**  
Total hospital days

**2,468**

Addiction and mental  
health beds/spaces

**755,334**  
Calls to  
Health Link



**24,704**

Long-term care  
and supportive  
living beds/spaces

**1.14 million**  
Seasonal influenza  
immunizations



**517,640**  
EMS events

**616,237**  
Cancer patient  
visits



**92,857**  
Food safety  
inspections

**8,968**  
Acute and sub-acute  
care beds/spaces



**2.13 million**  
Emergency  
department visits

## BY THE NUMBERS – OUR PEOPLE



**108,000**  
Employees



Serving  
**4.2 million**  
Albertans



**650**  
Facilities across  
the province



**9,700**  
Physicians



**15,900**  
Volunteers

**3.2 per cent**

proportion of total expenses  
spent on administration,  
among the lowest in Canada

## GOVERNANCE

AHS Board is responsible for  
the governance of AHS.



Seven board members

Accountable to the  
Minister of Health

## ENGAGEMENT

**12** Health Advisory  
Councils

bringing the voices of  
Alberta communities  
to health care  
services. Each  
council represents  
a geographical area  
within the province.

**1** Wisdom  
Council

providing guidance and  
recommendations to  
ensure AHS develops  
and implements  
culturally appropriate  
and innovative health  
service delivery for  
Indigenous People.

**2** Provincial  
Advisory Councils:

Addiction and Mental  
Health, and Cancer.  
Advises on provincewide  
services and programs.

## RESEARCH

AHS has **13 Strategic  
Clinical Networks**,  
each comprised of clinicians,  
researchers, policymakers,  
patients and their families, who  
are focused on driving innovation  
and standardizing care.