
Tofield Physicians join the Kalyna Country Primary Care Network

Tofield, January 25, 2017 - The Kalyna Country Primary Care Network (KCPCN) is excited to announce the addition of Dr. Richard Hackett, Dr. Salahdine Abuzehar and Dr. Siraj Muneer from Tofield, Alberta, effective January 24, 2017. The addition of these physicians is an exciting opportunity for the community of Tofield and surrounding area. Prior to this addition, the KCPCN has been providing services to Vegreville, Vermilion, Viking, Killam and surrounding areas.

“We are committed to providing services within the Tofield Community. Overall, the PCN will have access to more funding which will support priority needs and programs, and enhance patient care. This is a locally driven initiative and is designed to be in the best interests of the communities we serve,” states Brian Match, Executive Director, KCPCN.

Kalyna Country PCN is currently focusing on 3 priority initiatives. These initiatives include: Chronic Disease Management and Complex Care Program Clinics, Access to Care (Nurse Practitioner Services, Women’s Health , Geriatric Support) and Health Promotion and Education (Lifestyle Program Education, Lifestyle and Health Communication). All initiatives are supported by a multidisciplinary team made up of physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dietitians, etc.

Initially, the PCN will be focusing on Chronic Disease Management and Hypertension at the Tofield locations. This is a collection of lifestyle, self-management and health care services designed to support a persons overall health. Patients in Tofield will have access to services/programs provided by KCPCN’s additional locations. The goal in the future is to expand into the other areas that the PCN offers. The KCPCN is committed to providing *Primary Healthcare Closer to Home*.

PCNs are located in rural and urban communities across the province and give Albertans access to targeted care and services for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and follow up of various health conditions, whenever they need it. The advantage of PCNs are that they provide patients with access to a multidisciplinary team of health professionals, and are led by a board of local physicians.

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Primary Care Networks are a made-in-Alberta approach to improve access to, and better co-ordinate, primary health care for Albertans. In a Primary Care Network, family physicians and other health professionals work together as a multi-disciplinary team to increase Albertans’ access to the right care, from the right professional, at the right time. They also develop local solutions to local health issues. Primary Care Networks are created through the Primary Care Initiative, a tripartite agreement between Alberta Health and Wellness, the Alberta Medical Association and Alberta Health Services.