

Dr. Ken Le Clair is the Division of Geriatric Psychiatry and Department of Psychiatry, Faculty of Health Sciences; and Co-Director, Centre for Studies on Aging and Health, Providence Care, Kingston. He is also the Regional Development Coordinator of Geriatric Psychiatry Services, Partnerships and Community Services, Providence Care - Mental Health Services and Executive Clinical Lead, Behavioural Supports Ontario, South Eastern Ontario.

His work has been recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award, Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry and the Host Country Award for Significant Contributions to Geriatric Psychiatry, International Psychogeriatric Association.

Ken's current areas of interest include Interdisciplinary Education in Aging and Mental Health and Shared Care and Knowledge Transfer and Exchange in Mental Health in Community Primary Care and Senior Health. His major interest is working towards the development of an integrated community health system, which is supportive and responsive to a growing number of older persons with complex mental health and cognitive disorders.

Dr. Duncan Robertson is Senior Medical Director of the Alberta Health Services Seniors' Health Strategic Clinical Network. Graduating in the UK and migrating to Canada in 1966 he practised as a General Practitioner for 3 years before completing Internal Medical training at the University of Western Ontario and training in Geriatrics and Gerontology in Oxford and other centres in Scotland and England. A former Professor of Geriatric Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan he was subsequently a Professor of Medicine at the Universities of Alberta, British Columbia and Toronto, where he was also Director of the Regional Geriatric Program of Metropolitan Toronto. He has advocated for improved elder health care services and, as a consultant, advised governments, health regions and hospitals on health care delivery for seniors.

Dr. Lili Liu is a Professor and Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy in the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine. Her research focuses on applications of technologies to health care services for older adults in the community and Universal Design. Currently, she is Principal Investigator on a provincial GPS Locator Device project in collaboration with Alberta Health Services, a Co-Lead on the Smart Condo Project, and An Age Well Workpackage Lead specific to Technology for Maintaining Good Mental and cognitive health.

Doug Vincent is the Provincial AHS Lead for the Creating Connections: Alberta's Addiction and Mental Health Strategy and sits on a number of Cross Ministerial Committees that are focused on vulnerable populations, including those with complex needs. He has worked as an RN in various Edmonton Emergency Departments, and with PDD individuals in England and at Michener Centre in Red Deer. In his spare time, he teaches a post graduate course in Public Administration and Management in the Public Health Sciences Department at Concordia University College.

Sandy Marcynuk works as the Alberta Health Services Provincial Coordinator for Complex Service Needs. Along with her counterpart in government, PDD Program Branch, they work collaboratively with all levels of government and community services to develop a continuum of integrated services with the objective to reducing systemic issues for adults with complex service needs. Before joining Alberta Health Services 7 years ago, Sandy's previous work was within the non-profit & disability sector here in Edmonton managing Women's Shelters, youth organizations and then finding her niche within the Community Disability Sector specializing in managing Person Centered Services for Dually Diagnosed Individuals.

Sophie Sapergia is Practice Lead – Dementia Initiatives with the AHS Seniors Health Strategic Clinical Network. Through experiences in her own family she developed a strong interest in the impact of

dementia on individuals, families, communities and our health and social care systems. She has held roles related to dementia and seniors' mental health across a variety of policy, research, and clinical settings. Her background is in social work and gerontology.

Shannon Barnard is the provincial Lead for Home Care, Alberta Health Services. In her role, Shannon leads provincial operational, strategic and innovation initiatives aimed at standardizing access to Home Care services across Alberta. Shannon is a social worker and is passionate on supporting seniors related issues.

Mollie Cole is an Advance Practice Nurse who has focused most of her 30-year nursing career on the care of older adults, working as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in both acute care and in Continuing Care. Since the inception of AHS in 2007, Mollie has worked on provincial teams and is currently the Manager of the Seniors Health Strategic Clinical Network. In this role, she is one of the key leads for the "Appropriate Use of Antipsychotics" project.

Dr. Jasneet Parmar has worked for the Specialized Geriatrics Program, as Care of the Elderly physician since 1992. She is an Associate Professor, Department of Family Medicine, University of Alberta. She is currently the Medical Director for the CH Network of Excellence in Seniors' Health and Wellness. She is also the Medical Lead of Home Living, Continuing Care, Edmonton Zone. Her research experience has included a variety of initiatives to improve the quality of care of complex and frail seniors.

Dr. Suzette Brémault-Phillips is an Occupational Therapist and Assistant Professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, at the University of Alberta who holds a PhD in Theology. An experienced clinician and educator, she has worked in a variety of settings (hospitals, community and long term care) offering consultation, education and support to caregivers, families, adults/seniors who live with mental health, addictions, cognitive decline, neurological conditions, developmental disabilities, brain injury. One of her areas of expertise is that of managing challenging/responsive behaviours associated with these conditions. Suzette has been instrumental in the formation of a new provincial initiative – Behavioural Supports Alberta (BSA).

Sandra Woodhead Lyons is the Executive Director of the Institute for Continuing Care Education and Research (ICCER). She has over 20 years of experience in the health field. Her areas of expertise include policy development, program design and implementation, evaluation, research and resource planning.