

Enabling health system improvement

Embedded within Alberta's province-wide integrated health care system, Strategic Clinical Networks™ (SCNs™) are:

COLLABORATIVE

multistakeholder teams of clinicians, patients, health leaders, community partners, and others.



FOCUSED

on specific areas of health.



PROVINCIAL

teams work together across geographical, organizational and institutional boundaries.



GET EVIDENCE INTO CARE

SOLVE HEALTH CHALLENGES

IMPROVE OUTCOMES, QUALITY, SAFETY AND VALUE



GUIDED by evidence, data, patients' and families' experiences, clinical knowledge, strategic health priorities.

10 YEARS OF HEALTH SYSTEM INNOVATION

2009

Formation of Alberta Health Services, Canada's first province-wide, health system. It now serves 4.3 million people.

2012–2019

16 SCNs operating across the province. Examples include:

- Population, Public and Indigenous Health
- Surgery
- Cardiovascular Health and Stroke
- Digestive Health
- Cancer
- Addiction and Mental Health

COLLECTIVE IMPACT

- ✓ Tackle issues that matter
- ✓ Rigorously test health innovations
- ✓ Advance initiatives that improve health and patients' experiences
- ✓ Improve health service delivery and utilization
- ✓ Spread and sustain improvements on a provincial scale

VALUE OF NETWORKS

- ✓ Integrated
- ✓ Evidence based
- ✓ Strategic
- ✓ Transformative



POSITIVE RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR ALL ALBERTANS*

Every \$1 invested in SCN activities produced **\$1.54 in savings**



143 856 hospital bed-days avoided

\$62.5 M in net health system savings (e.g., costs avoided)



*Interim analysis based on 15 SCN projects completed between 2012 and 2018.