



Enhance Continuing Care Strategy Goal

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Message from the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Seniors and Rural and Remote Health

At some point in their lives, many Saskatchewan residents rely on our health system's continuing care services. Perhaps a parent or spouse requires home care, or we, ourselves, have needs that are best met in a special-care home.

Our government understands and is committed to ensuring users of home care services, residents of special-care homes, and residents of personal care homes receive safe and appropriate care.

As part of this work, more than 200 stakeholder groups representing 1,500 citizens were invited to virtual consultation sessions in August and September 2025. The feedback from the sessions helped inform the development of a new Continuing Care Strategy.

The strategy has one goal: to ensure citizens are supported to live independently at home and in their communities. When community-based support can no longer meet their needs, high-quality and safe options are available. Every objective and deliverable within the strategy flows from this goal.

Work beginning immediately is supported by \$9.2 million in new funding to enhance long-term care, including support for more personalized long-term care services; staffing for new beds in Regina and La Ronge; and enhanced inspections, oversight and quality improvements. Further investments will bolster home care services throughout Saskatchewan.

Aligning closely with our overarching Patients First Health Care Plan, the Continuing Care Strategy is about ensuring that people receive the right care, at the right time, in the right place. It is a work in progress and lays a solid foundation that we will continue to build on in future budget years.

When I became Minister for Seniors, I made a commitment to the people of Saskatchewan that I would serve as their voice in government by listening and responding to their concerns and ideas. This document reflects that commitment.



Lori Carr
Minister of Mental Health and Addictions,
Seniors and Rural and Remote Health



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Strategy Goal

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Capacity

Enhancing the system with the resources, workforce, and flexibility to deliver the right care at the right time, in the right place.

Objective:	Deliverables:
Optimize current resources.	• Strengthen existing staff resources across the continuing care continuum. • Review current utilization and allocate resources to support capacity across care settings. • Enable innovation through effective use of resources.
Enhance community-based care, care transitions, patient flow and navigation.	• Activate an integrated care delivery model that enables access to the right level of care in the most appropriate setting. • Create opportunities for innovation across the continuing care system, leveraging community-based resources.



Access

Expanding options to support people to receive care in their homes and communities, reducing reliance on facility-based services.

Objective:	Deliverables:
Improve the system reach by expanding medical and non-medical supports in the community.	Enhance community partnerships to optimize health service delivery of medical and non-medical supports.
Improve access to coordinated community-based supports enabling care in the most appropriate setting.	Improve coordination of home care, community supports, and transitional services to reduce dependence on hospitals and long-term care facilities.
Address barriers to access (e.g., develop assessment and reassessment standards).	Review current eligibility and requirements to access continuing care programs and services.



Responsive, Safe and Quality Services

Continuously improving services to support individuals to have choice while maintaining high quality.

Objective:	Deliverables:
Harness technology to support innovative solutions.	Explore and enhance innovative health technology solutions to improve access to care.
Services support individual choice and dignity.	Support systems that allow services across the care continuum to consistently respect individual culture, preferences and dignity.
High quality and safe care is enabled through monitoring, quality improvement and standard service planning.	Establish quality improvement and safety monitoring accountability and best possible care across all service settings.



Engagement and Partnerships

Fostering strong partnerships among communities, families, and care providers.

Objective:	Deliverables:
Enable community engagement and partnership opportunities.	• Establish a framework to enable community engagement and partnership opportunities. • Strengthen and establish partnerships, including Indigenous communities and organizations to improve continuing care program delivery.
Empower communities to support individuals closer to home.	• Encourage communities and grassroots organizations to provide support services promoting individuals to remain in their communities.
Build supports for informal caregivers.	• Assess gaps and opportunities to improve support for family/ informal caregivers. • Improve access to education and resources that empower family/informal caregivers.

The **right care** at the **right time**, in the **right place**.