TRANSITION TEAM WEEKLY PROJECT UPDATE Week of February 20, 2017

This weekly update will provide ongoing information related to the project work underway to transition the health system to one single Provincial Health Authority. On occasion this update will include information about work tied to health system restructuring, but not directly related to the transition team functions. A date for the creation of the new PHA is still to be determined, but is currently anticipated for fall 2017.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- The transition team is engaged in planning activities and is collaborating with representatives from across the health system to further inform each work stream.
- Denise Junek has been named as the eHealth Saskatchewan Information Technology and Information Management transition lead. Denise is currently eHealth's Vice President of Culture Collaboration and Innovation Division, and brings many years of experience in project and change management in the health system. She will liaise with the transition team throughout the process.

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED THIS WEEK:

- Task teams with representation from eHealth, Regional Health Authorities, Saskatchewan Cancer Agency and 3s Health have been formed to begin collaborative planning for the IT consolidation recommendations from the Advisory Panel report. Individuals on task teams were selected from those who expressed interest in participating.
- Several productive meetings and discussions have occurred to further inform specific work streams, including a meeting of the Financial Management Committee (FMC) and the Joint Health and Human Resources Committee (JHHRC) to provide input on initial work plans.

ACTIVITIES TO COME:

- eHealth's IT consolidation task teams will be meeting over the next few weeks to begin planning.
- A plan to support change leadership during the course of the transition is being developed.

UPDATE FROM THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH:

The Ministry of Health provided a voluntary separation package to Regional Health Authority CEOs and Vice Presidents for their consideration. The voluntary separation opportunity was offered in recognition of unique personal circumstances of senior leaders and being respectful of their own personal considerations.

 Applications of those who express their interest will be reviewed by the Ministry and their health region. Decisions on voluntary applications will be communicated to all applicants in late March.

