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Date: March 9, 2017

To: Rural Municipalities / Towns / Villages

From: Cecile Hunt, Chief Executive Officer

cc: PAPHR Board of Directors and Senior Management Team

Re: Wellness Clinics

The Prince Albert Parkland Health Region has made the very difficult decision to temporarily suspend Wellness Clinic services as of February 1, 2017. This decision is the result of the increasing demand for home care services throughout the Prince Albert Parkland Health Region.

A significant increase in the demand is related to supporting individuals recently discharged from acute care facilities. This includes individuals discharged from hospitals within the Prince Albert Parkland, as well as from hospitals outside the health region such as Saskatoon or North Battleford.

While the health region provided some information about alternatives to access services that were provided at the Wellness Clinics, it is understood that this may result in additional travel for some residents within the health region.

A re-evaluation of wellness clinics and home care's ability to continue providing them in our region will be made before September 1, 2017.

Prince Albert Parkland Health Region regrets very much this decision to suspend Wellness Clinics.

If questions arise please do not hesitate to contact me at 306-765-6400 or by e-mail at chunt@paphr.sk.ca.

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