

Terms of Reference  
Regional Educator Council

**Purpose:**

The Regional Educator Council provides a forum for planning, coordinating, facilitating and evaluating clinical educational initiatives related to the learning needs of all members of the interprofessional health care team across the Winnipeg Health Region.

**Scope and Function:**

1. To provide leadership through the building of common vision and sharing of expertise on topics related to clinical education of the interprofessional health care team
2. To support consistency and efficiency in the development of clinical educational learning resources for all members of the interprofessional health care team
3. To minimize duplication of Educator effort in the development and delivery of content
4. To act as a consultative resource for other regional departments/programs/ working groups with respect to providing educational expertise, content development and program delivery options
5. To make recommendations on specific initiatives/strategies being contemplated
6. To coordinate the scheduling of planned regional clinical education in an effort to minimize overlap
7. To serve as a decision-making body for clinical education related issues with Electronic Tools currently in use within the region
8. To provide a professional milieu for Educators that supports professional development
9. To provide a forum for debate and dialogue related to educational strategies, theories, and approaches
10. To make recommendations related to clinical student placements and student placement coordination.

**Reporting Relationships and Accountability:**

The Regional Educator Council reports to the Nursing Leadership Council, which in turn reports to the Professional Advisory Committee. In addition, through membership, links exist to the Allied Health Leadership Council.

Educator Council members bring experience and knowledge related to the program, site or group they represent. Responsibilities include:

- communicate and represent the needs and interests of their program, site or group
- accountability to share and distribute information related to the work of the Educator Council with program/site/group
- provide leadership related to best practices in clinical education including consistent and efficient education to further the function of the Council

- consult and provide educational leadership on various committees/initiatives related to clinical education as requested
- report relevant information from committees/initiatives on which they are a representative to allow for general discussion and dissemination of the information.

**Membership:**

The Regional Educator Council will consist of one representative from each of the following:

- I. Facilities (normally the Director/Manager of Education):
 

Health Sciences Centre	St. Boniface Hospital
Concordia Hospital	Grace Hospital
Seven Oaks General Hospital	Victoria Hospital
Deer Lodge Centre	Misericordia Health Centre
Riverview Health Centre	
  
- II. Regional programs:
 

Internal Medicine	Women’s Health
Surgery/OR	Child Health
Emergency	Palliative Care
Critical Care	Long Term Care Program
Rehab/Geriatrics	Pharmacy
Mental Health	Aboriginal Health
Renal Health	Community Health Services (Population
Cardiac Sciences	Public Health, Family Medicine/Primary
Oncology	Care, Home Care)
  
- III. Two representatives of Allied Health Leadership Council

**Organization:**

The meetings will be held once a month, at least nine times/year and at the call of the chair. The Regional Director, Clinical Education will chair the meetings. Minutes of the Regional Educator Council will be routinely distributed to the Nursing Leadership Council and the Allied Health Leadership Council as well as upon request to others.

The Terms of Reference will be reviewed on an annual basis.

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