

THE PRC BEAT

United Nurses of Alberta

The PRC Beat is a digital newsletter for United Nurses of Alberta locals and members on all matters related to Professional Responsibility Concerns (PRCs) and safe staffing.

In this edition:

Updates on the ongoing work to revise the PRC Best Practice Guidelines and implement the new Safe Staffing Letter of Understanding (LoU).

PRC Forum Meetings

- As a trial through the end of the year, the AHS and Covenant Health PRC Forums have been combined. We've also agreed to develop a single **PRC & Safe Staffing Best Practices** document that will apply to all Employers under the Provincial Collective Agreement.
- A sub-committee of the PRC Forum has been tasked with updating the Best Practices document, and we're nearing completion.

Safe Staffing Letter of Understanding (LoU)

- While this work has taken longer than expected, we've reached an agreement with the Employers on the initial list of clinical and operational data that will inform discussions about baseline staffing.
 - The Employers have developed a **PRC Safe Staffing Dashboard**, which will allow managers to access some of this data in a more streamlined and accessible way.
- We continue to collaborate with the Employers to finalize the best practice guidance, which will clarify how this new process aligns with the existing PRC process and outline roles and responsibilities at each step.
- The plan is to trial this new process in one AHS and one Covenant Health unit/program/area before a broader rollout.

PRC Success in UNA News Bulletin

- Don't miss the [PRC Success Story](#) featured in the latest issue of the [UNA News Bulletin](#).
- Local 73 successfully resolved multiple staffing PRCs in Westlock's Emergency Department, following a commitment to add a 24/7 LPN position along with several other improvements.

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