

# TELL ALBERTA MLAS TO INCLUDE NURSES IN presumptive coverage for psychological injuries

Contact your MLA to discuss why Alberta nurses should have preemptive coverage for psychological injuries. Visit [www.assembly.ab.ca](http://www.assembly.ab.ca) to find your MLA's name and contact information.

## Meeting with your MLA

Contact your MLA's constituency office and request an in-person meeting to discuss why this issue is important to you as their constituent and for nurses across Alberta.

Once you have arranged a meeting with your MLA, create a list of the most important points you would like to discuss.

- › Nurses are currently excluded by the Workers' Compensation Board from presumptive coverage for psychological injuries. Through the nature of their work on the frontlines of the health care system, nurses are routinely exposed to traumatic events in the workplace.
- › Presumptive coverage for psychological injuries is already extended to other first responders such as police, firefighters, emergency medical workers, dispatchers, and corrections officers.
- › An amendment to the Workers' Compensation Act could extend coverage to all nurses who hold a practice permit or are registered with a college of a regulated profession under the Health Professions Act.

Be respectful, be honest and leave time for questions. The goal is to influence and help shape decision making. The MLA or their staff will probably have questions, so get to the point and then have a discussion.

Thank the MLA for their time. Be persistent, be patient, and always request a follow up meeting.

