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IHE Innovation Forum VI

*Maximizing Health System Performance—Assisted by Evidence, Science,
and Information Systems*

Tuesday, November 29th, 2011

Delta Edmonton Centre Suite Hotel (Centre Ballroom)

3:00 – 3:20 p.m.

Opening Remarks

- **Lorne Tyrrell, Chair, Institute of Health Economics**
- **Honourable Fred Horne, Minister of Alberta Health & Wellness**

3:20 – 4:50 p.m.

Keynote Presentations and Discussion

- **Martin McKee, Professor, European Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine**
- **Terhilda Garrido, Vice President HiT Transformation and Analytics, Kaiser Permanente**

4:50 – 5:05 p.m.

Break

5:05 – 6:00 p.m.

Panel Discussion

- **Moderator: Marcia Nelson, Deputy Minister of Health and Wellness**
- **Chip Doig, Head, Community Health Sciences, University of Calgary**
- **Anne McFarlane, Vice President, Western Canada and Development Initiatives, Canadian Institute of Health Information**
- **Mary-Anne Robinson, CEO, College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Reception

Maximizing Health System Performance—Assisted by Evidence, Science, and Information Systems is the sixth of the IHE's Innovation Forums, a semi-annual series brings together senior public- and private-sector decision-makers to address policy issues of importance in the healthcare system, not just in Alberta, but to all of Canada and the international community, as well. Previous sessions covered:

- I) *Paying for What Works***
- II) *Making Difficult Decisions***
- III) *Maximizing Health System Performance—Cost Containment and Improved Efficiency***
- IV) *Innovation and Economics***
- V) *Innovation and Sustainability in Health Systems***



Welcome: Dr. Lorne Tyrrell

Chair, Institute of Health Economics

The former Dean of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Alberta, Dr. Tyrrell is the Chair of the boards of both the Health Quality Council of Alberta and of the Institute of Health Economics. He is the CIHR/GlaxoSmithKline Chair in Virology at the University of Alberta. He is also Chair of the Gairdner Foundation and a member of the Research Council of the Canadian Institute of Academic Research. Dr. Tyrrell was appointed to the Alberta Order of Excellence in 2000, made an Officer of the Order of Canada in 2002, and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 2004. He was awarded the F.N.G. Starr Award from the Canadian Medical Association in 2004, the Principal Award of the Manning Foundation in 2005 for his work on the development of oral antivirals for the treatment of HBV, and inducted into the CMA Hall of Fame in 2011.

Greetings: Honourable Fred Horne

Minister of Alberta Health and Wellness



Mr. Horne was elected to his first term as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Rutherford on March 3, 2008, and served as Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Seniors and Community Supports, and Health and Wellness. On October 12, 2011, he was appointed Minister of Health and Wellness. Previous committee involvement includes membership on the Select Special Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee and the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices and chair of the Standing Committee on Health, and the Minister's Advisory Committee on Health. Prior to serving with the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, Mr. Horne worked as a health policy consultant for over 25 years, serving various government bodies and regional health authorities in addition to the public, private and not-for-profit sectors. Throughout his career Mr. Horne led initiatives to improve access and quality in Canadian public health care and has worked extensively with the Conference Board of Canada, the Alberta government and the Mayo Clinic. Mr. Horne holds a master of business administration degree from Royal Roads University and a postgraduate certification in dispute resolution from York University. He was named Minister of Alberta Health and Wellness on October 13, 2011.



Keynote Address: Dr. Martin McKee

Professor, European Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Martin McKee qualified in medicine in Belfast, Northern Ireland, with subsequent training in internal medicine and public health. As Professor of European Public Health at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine he co-directs the European Centre on Health of Societies in Transition (ECOHST), a WHO Collaborating Centre that comprises the largest team of researchers working on health and health policy in central and eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. He is also research director of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies.

Professor McKee has published over 550 scientific papers and 38 books. He was an editor of the European Journal of Public Health for 15 years and is a member of numerous editorial boards, as well as being an editorial consultant to The Lancet. He has been invited to give many endowed lectures, including the Milroy (Royal College of Physicians), Cochrane (UK Society for Social Medicine), Ference Bojan (EUPHA), Davidson (Royal College of Physicians Edinburgh), Salvador Lucia (UCSF), Population Health Sciences (McMaster University) and Victor Horsley (British Medical Association). Professor McKee sits on a number of advisory boards in Europe and North America, in both the public and private sectors. His responsibilities include serving as:

- A trustee of the UK Public Health Association;
- Chair of both the WHO's European Advisory Committee on Health Research and the Global Health Advisory Committee of George Soros' Open Society Foundations; and,
- A Fellow of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London, Edinburgh, and Ireland and the UK Faculty of Public Health.

Keynote Presentation: Ms. Terhilda Garrido

Vice President HiT Transformation and Analytics, Kaiser Permanente



Terhilda Garrido has worked at Kaiser Permanente, an integrated delivery system, for more than 20 years. At present, she is vice president, Health Information Technology Transformation & Analytics within the National Quality and Care Delivery organization. Her team is responsible for realizing the strategic value and maximizing opportunities for Kaiser Permanente's pioneering electronic medical record. Ms. Garrido holds an Operations Research degree in Engineering from Princeton and a Masters in Public Health in Biostatistics from University of California at Berkeley. She has published on this area and lends her expertise to various organizations within the health care industry.



Ms. Marcia Nelson (Panel moderator)

Deputy Minister, Alberta Health and Wellness

Marcia Nelson was appointed Deputy Minister of Alberta Health and Wellness in October 2011. In her role as Deputy Minister, she is responsible for leading and supporting quality health services, leading the health system, and working collaboratively with partners. Marcia has also held the posts of Deputy Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs, Head of the Policy Coordination Office of Executive Council, and Assistant Deputy Minister of Strategic Services for Alberta Human Resources and Employment. Before moving to Alberta, Marcia worked for the Ontario government for 14 years in a variety of policy, planning, and research positions in several ministries. Her last position was Director of Corporate Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs for the Ministry of Community and Social Services. She holds a Master of Arts Degree in Public Policy and Administration and a BA in Canadian Studies and Sociology both from McMaster University. Marcia is currently Vice Chair of the Institute for Public Administration of Canada, Edmonton Regional Group. She is also an Advisory Committee Member for Athabasca University's Bachelor of Professional Arts in Governance Law & Management program.

Dr. Chip Doig (Panellist)

Head, Community Health Sciences, University of Calgary

Christopher (Chip) Doig is an intensive care unit specialist at the Foothills Medical Centre, as well as head of the Department of Community Health Sciences at the University of Calgary. He also teaches at U of C's departments of Medicine, Internal Medicine, and Critical Care Medicine. Dr. Doig is also a researcher of considerable note, and is the co-principal investigator of the Alberta Sepsis Network, which was awarded an interdisciplinary team grant by Alberta Innovates-Health Solutions. Past president of the Alberta Medical Association, he is on three healthcare working groups for the Alberta Minister of Health, and serves on the Board of Directors of the IHE and the Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society of Alberta.



Ms. Anne McFarlane (Panellist)

**Vice President, Western Canada and Development Initiatives,
Canadian Institute of Health Information**



Prior to being appointed to her current position, Anne McFarlane served as CIHI's Executive Director, Western Canada, for more than five years. During that time, she established the Western office-the organization's first regional bureau-and built a team focused on ensuring that the organization's products and services meet the needs of the health systems in Western Canada and the territories. Along with an MSc in Community Health and Epidemiology, Ms. McFarlane has more than 20 years of experience in the health and social service sectors.

Ms. Mary-Anne Robinson (Panellist)

CEO, College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta

Mary-Anne Robinson is CEO of the College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta (CARNA), the regulatory body and professional association for the province's 33,000-plus registered nurses (RN). She is herself an RN, with a master's degree in Health Care Administration, and a strong background in strategic planning and building effective multi-stakeholder relationships. In addition to her CARNA duties, Ms. Robinson is involved in numerous other activities. These include memberships on the Alberta Advisory Committee on Health Technologies and the Primary Health Care Review Project Advisory Committee, as well as being a jurisdictional advisor to the Canadian Nurses Association Board of Directors.



Founded in 1996, the Institute of Health Economics is a non-profit, Alberta-based research organisation whose work informs healthcare policy and practice. The IHE is active in four distinct, overlapping, areas:

***Health economics
Health technology assessment
Decision analytic modeling
Knowledge transfer and dissemination***