

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**February 10, 2022****Health Quality Council of Alberta announces chief executive officer**

Brent Windwick, board chair of the Health Quality Council of Alberta (HQCA), is pleased to announce the appointment of Charlene McBrien-Morrison as chief executive officer, effective immediately.

“Charlene’s 18 years with the HQCA, including more than 30 years in progressive leadership roles in Alberta’s health system position her well to take on this new executive leadership position. Her time serving as Acting CEO demonstrated her strength in guiding the organization through times of tremendous change, from responding to amendments to the HQCA Act in 2020, to steering the HQCA team through the pandemic,” says Mr. Windwick.

Prior to her appointment to Acting CEO in July 2020, Charlene served as executive director of the HQCA. Charlene previously worked within the former Calgary District Hospital Group and Calgary Health Region, Calgary Laboratory Services, and Carewest.

In addition to her formal training as a medical laboratory technologist where she started her career in healthcare, Charlene holds a Master of Business Administration in Executive Management from Royal Roads University, and is a Certified Health Executive with the Canadian College of Health Leaders.

The Health Quality Council of Alberta is a provincial agency that brings together patients, families, and our partners from across healthcare and academia to inspire improvement in patient safety, person-centred care, and health service quality. We assess and study the healthcare system, identify effective practices, and engage with Albertans to gather information about their experiences. Our responsibilities are outlined in the *Health Quality Council of Alberta Act*.

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