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Dear Hazel Reintjes:

Thank you for your congratulatory letter on my appointment as Alberta's Minister of Mental Health and Addiction.

I look forward to supporting the continued development of Alberta's recovery-oriented continuum of mental health and addiction services and supports that incorporate prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery. Over the past four years, Alberta's government invested an additional \$344 million to support these efforts, while *Budget 2023* added another \$275 million commitment this year.

This direct government funding is in addition to the more than \$900 million Alberta Health Services spends each year on mental health and addiction services in communities across the province. It has and will continue to strengthen Alberta's recovery-oriented continuum of care that offers community-based services and supports that are person-centered and build on the strengths and resilience of individuals, families and communities.

By continuing to make targeted investments in recovery-oriented programs and services, Alberta's government is working to meet the mental health and addiction recovery needs of Albertans. This helps ensure a healthy, strong Alberta for the future.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Dan Williams, ECA
Minister of Mental Health and Addiction