



May 5, 2020

Honourable Tyler Shandro
Minister of Health
Officer of the Minister of Health
423 Legislature Building
10800 - 97 Avenue
EDMONTON AB T5K 2B6

via: health.minister@gov.ab.ca

Dear Minister Shandro:

Re: The Alberta Medical Association is our Representative

The Section Presidents of the Alberta Medical Association, PCN Leads Executive, Academic Medicine and Health Services Program Council Co-Chairs, and the Zone Medical Staff Association Presidents formally inform you that the AMA remains as our exclusive representative in all matters concerning dealings with the Alberta government. As such:

- We unanimously reject any unilateral actions taken by this government with respect to physician services
- We will not be entering into discussions without representation from the AMA

The AMA is, and will continue to be, our representative on all matters including, but not limited to:

- Physician compensation
- Alternate Relationship Plans terms and conditions
- The Schedule of Medical Benefits
- Policies including physician supply and physician recruitment

We urge you to take action to resume negotiations in good faith towards a mutually acceptable outcome that will be in the best interest of all Albertans. During this pandemic the physicians of Alberta will be there to support Albertans!

Sincerely,

Alberta Medical Association Section Presidents:

Dr. Krishna Balachandra
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Dr. Craig Pearce
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- Dr. Ernst Greyvenstein
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- Dr. Fredrykka Rinaldi
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