

## **MEMO**

Date: February 7, 2023

To: Shared Health Leadership Forum, Shared Health Executive, Provincial Coordinated Health

Services, HSC Leadership, Provincial Nursing Leadership, Provincial CEOs, CRNM, CLPN, CRPN, Nursing Educational Leaders, Deputy Minister Herd, Assistant Deputy Ministers of

Health

From: Monika Warren, COO, Provincial Coordinated Health Services & CNO

Re: Announcement - Provincial Coordinated Health Services,

Provincial Nursing Practice Lead - Lisa Merrill

I am pleased to announce that Lisa Merrill will be joining the Provincial Coordinated Health Services team as our first Provincial Nursing Practice Lead effective March 20, 2023.

Lisa is a Registered Nurse and has held various nursing positions with a focus on clinical care, education, research, quality, and administration. She is currently the Director of Health Services for Women's Health at HSC. Lisa completed a Bachelor of Nursing at the University of Manitoba in February 2007 and the Master of Nursing program at the University of Manitoba in May 2011, majoring in the Woman, Child, and Family Stream. Lisa has spent the last 10 years focusing on progressive leadership experiences. Lisa spent part of her career as a Clinical Nurse Specialist where she led practice changes that have improved patient outcomes and become a standard of care. Lisa will also be responsible for leading our provincial Clinical Nurse Specialist network.

Lisa has a reputation of being a collaborative and effective leader who is focused on improving the care of those we serve. Lisa will serve as a role model representing nursing on a provincial and national level. She will also provide support and counsel to senior leaders across the province on nursing practice issues. In this role, Lisa will also be a liaison with all stakeholders including regulators and educational leaders as we aim to advance nursing scope of practice and address our workforce challenges.

Further details as to the responsibilities within her portfolio will be shared in the near future including detailed contact information. Please share the announcement as appropriate.

Please join me in welcoming Lisa to this exciting new role within the Provincial Coordinated Health Services team!