

## **Pacific Autism Family Center**

### **Terms of Reference - Advisory Council**

#### **Purpose**

The Advisory Council is designed to play a role in the interim governance structure during the planning and development of the Pacific Autism Family Centre (PAFC).

The purpose of the Advisory Council is to advise on specialized aspects of the design and operations and to provide access to the Autism network and knowledge. The council will ensure that programs within PAFC will endeavor to be the best practices in screening, diagnosis, and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder. In addition the council will ensure the project maintains a provincial focus and that the PAFC remains true to the vision as outlined in the Strategic Plan.

The council is to be made up of experts and families and will report to the Steering Committee, Building Committee and consultant team. The council will meet at strategic points on an as required basis.

#### **Decision Making**

The council will aim for consensual decision-making. Where recommendations are contentious a simple majority of those present will be required by vote. A quorum shall be of 50% of the appointed committee members. Dissenting views will be documented.