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November 1, 2024

Trent Wotherspoon
Chair
Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Room 7, Legislative Building
REGINA SK S4S 0B3



Dear Trent Wotherspoon:

Attached is the report of Losses of Public Money at Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA), Athabasca Health Authority (AHA), Saskatchewan Cancer Agency (SCA), Health Shared Services Saskatchewan (3sHealth), Health Quality Council (HQC) and Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations (SAHO) from July 1 to September 30, 2024.

The report contains two incidents to be reported publicly:

- A former SHA employee was paid by SHA while working for an external organization at the same time, resulting in a loss of \$2,018 over a period of sixteen months.
- A former HQC employee was paid by HQC while working for an external organization at the same time, resulting in a loss of \$1,800 over a period of a year and half.

The *Losses of Public Money* report along with a news release will be published on the Government of Saskatchewan's website on November 4, 2024.

Sincerely,

Tracey L. Smith
Deputy Minister

Attachment

cc: Honourable Everett Hindley, Minister of Health
Honourable Tim McLeod, Minister of Health and Addictions, Seniors
and Rural and Remote Health
Raynelle Wilson, Deputy Minister to the Premier and Cabinet Secretary,
Executive Council
Norman O'Neill, Assistant Deputy Minister, Health
Joy Vanstone, Executive Director, Financial Services, Health
Ryan Dobson, Director, Operations and Internal Audit, Health
Kathy Burianyak, Senior Public Accounts Committee Clerk

**Losses of Public Money
2024-25 Second Quarter Report**

**Losses Reported by Saskatchewan Health Organizations*
For the Period July 1 to September 30, 2024**

Date of Occurrence	Health Organization	Description	Amount (whole dollar)	Action Taken
Internal				
September 2022 to December 2023	Saskatchewan Health Authority – Prince Albert	A former employee was paid for time by the SHA, while working for an external employer at the same time.	\$2,018.00	The SHA employee was terminated. The SHA Employee Relations is exploring a request for repayment, and the SHA management is determining next steps including additional investigation and/or legal action.
January 2023 to June 2024	Health Quality Council	A former employee was paid for time by the HQC, while working for an external employer at the same time.	\$1,800.00	The employee resigned prior to investigation being completed. The matter was not referred to law enforcement.
External				
No incidents to report.				

*Saskatchewan Health Organizations include the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA), Athabasca Health Authority (AHA), Saskatchewan Cancer Agency (SCA), Health Shared Services Saskatchewan (3sHealth), Health Quality Council (HQC) and Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations (SAHO).

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Includes losses of money or property greater than \$500 that have been reported by Saskatchewan Health Organizations that are due to fraud or similar illegal acts by employees, suppliers, or contractors.