



# IPAC Canada Hill Day 2023

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## IPAC Canada Representatives:

- Zahir Hirji – President
- Colette Ouellet – President Elect
- Jennifer Happe – Director,  
Secretary/Membership
- Sonalben Shah - Treasurer
- Baljinder Sidhu – Director, Programs and  
Projects
- Stefania Clouier – Director, Chapters and  
Interest Groups

## Impact Public Affairs Representatives:

- Christian Von Donat
- Jayme Wilson
- Noah Mondrow

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# High-Profile Meetings

- Senator Mohamed-Iqbal Ravalia – Sen. Ravalia is a physician and medical educator
- MP Dane Lloyd – Shadow Minister for Emergency Preparedness
- Office of MP Don Davies – NDP Critic for Health
- Office of Hon. Pierre Poilievre – Leader of the Official Opposition
- Ministry of Health Policy Team

# Meetings Cont.

- MP Francesco Sorbara
- MP Julie Dabrusin
- Office of Hon. Joyce Murray (Mehdi Najarali)
- Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Development (Julia Pennella)
- Office of Marie-France Lalonde (Mahdi Ellorhaoui) – Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship

# Meeting Photos



Top Left: Meeting with Jed  
Graham – Ministry of Health



Top Right: Meeting with MP  
Sorbara



Bottom Right: Meeting with  
MP Dabrusin



# Meeting Photos



Meeting with MP Sorbara



Meeting with Sen. Ravalia

# Social Media Posts



# Meeting Takeaways

## Meetings held: 11

- In general, MPs were familiar with IPAC Canada's issues and there is support for the asks
- The following MPs were identified as strong supporters of IPAC Canada's goals:
  - The Ministry of Labour
  - Ministry of Health
  - MP Sorbara
  - MP Lloyd
  - MP Davies
  - MP Marie-France Lalonde
  - MP Dabrusin
  - Sen. Ravalia

# Key Meeting Takeaways.

**Sen. Ravalia** – The Senator is interested in getting more information from IPAC Canada on international membership, scholarship for international conference attendees. He would like to build more of a connection with IPAC Canada.

**MP Davies** – There is new “Safe Long-Term Care” legislation being prepared, and MP Davies would like IPAC Canada to be involved in the drafting process, as opposed to the amendments process. He also asked IPAC Canada to support an inquiry into identifying what the Federal Government could have done better during the pandemic.

**MP Lloyd** – MP Lloyd asked for IPAC Canada’s recommendations on current policy gaps on surveillance and pandemic preparedness. He asked for support on his new legislation dealing with screening animals entering the country to detect potential diseases.

**Jed Graham (Ministry of Health)** – Jed connected with Jennifer Happe as a follow up to the Hill Day meeting to get a better understanding on AMR and surveillance in Alberta.

Multiple offices recommended to connect with other MPs in relevant positions and with interest in IPAC Canada’s goals. These offices offered to help facilitate the introduction.

Numerous offices offered to sign a letter of support for IPAC Canada’s asks.

# Action Items

## Draft

Draft a letter of support for IPAC Canada's asks, to be distributed to the offices that offered to sign.

## Prepare

Prepare IPAC Canada's recommendations for current gaps in policy for pandemic preparedness and surveillance, to share with MP Llyod and MP Davies, and to have on hand for future meetings.

## Connect

Connect with MP Davies to participate in the drafting of his "Safe LTC" legislation. The IPAC Canada representatives who were in the meeting would like to be involved in this process.

# Action Items - Connections

The following offices offered to facilitate introductions to other MPs:

[The Office of Hon. Pierre Poilievre](#) – offered to help arrange a meeting with Dr. Stephen Ellis, the Shadow Minister of Health

[Ministry of Health](#) – offered to facilitate a connection with the offices of: Minister Hussen (Housing, Diversity and Inclusion), Minister Champagne (Innovation, Science and Industry – Bio-manufacturing department), Minister Tassi (FedDev Southern ON), and Minister Jaczek (Public Services and Procurement).