

**Alberta College of Social Workers
Northern Alberta
Gerontological Social Work Interest Group**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- Purpose:** To enhance social work practice within the gerontological context.
- Definition:** Gerontology – We define gerontology as the study of the aging process and individuals as they grow from midlife through later life including the study of biopsychosocial spiritual, cultural, economic aspects and social changes; the application of this knowledge to policies, programs, and practices.
- Goals:**
1. To provide professional development within the context of gerontology; including opportunities for networking and exchange of information and resources.
 2. To promote the recognition and specialization of the social worker role within the field of gerontology.
 3. To address systemic barriers and advocate for improved social and economic resources.
- Membership:** By-law 16.8
- 90% of committee members must be members (active and in good standing or retired) of the Alberta College of Social Workers.
- Officers:** Chairpersons
- Marilyn Jeske and Andrea Keel
- Terms of Office:** The positions of Chairpersons are to be of one-year duration and they can be re-elected. There will be rotating meeting facilitators and note takers for meetings.

Accountable to: Alberta College of Social Workers (Council)
Staff Liaison, Manager Professional Affairs

Circulation of Minutes: Minutes to be forwarded to committee members and to the ACSW office.
They will also be posted on the ACSW website

**Date Accepted
By Council:**

Date Revised: November 2014

**Terms of Reference
To be reviewed:** Annually