

Note to Edmonton Provincial Court Judges and Criminal Court Stakeholders:

After a successful pilot period, Edmonton Provincial Court Criminal will commence regular CCTV appearances for accused persons located at Alberta Hospital Edmonton, effective January 2, 2018.

Except when the court appearance involves the calling of evidence, a patient with a required appearance in Court will now presumptively appear from Alberta Hospital Edmonton via CCTV unless a judge directs otherwise. For proceedings, such as a trial, involving the calling of evidence, the presumption will be that patients will be transported to court to appear in person, unless a judge otherwise directs.

Counsel can interview their client by obtaining the unit telephone number directly from the Court Clerk.

We welcome feedback regarding this initiative, if you have questions or comments, please contact Court Administration: <u>Brenda.Haynes@gov.ab.ca</u> or <u>Karli.Lucas@gov.ab.ca</u>.

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