

Losses of Public Money 2013-14 Second Quarter Report

Losses Reported by Health Organizations*

For the Period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

Date of Occurrence	Health Region	Description	Amount	Action Taken
Internal				
March 6, 2013	Prince Albert Parkland Health Region	A bank deposit totaling \$27,898.32 went missing while in transit to the bank. The exact circumstances of the situation remain unknown. \$2,447.74 of the deposit was cash and was not recovered. \$25,450.58 was cheques and all have been replaced except for \$130.00.	\$2,577.74	The city police were contacted and the investigation is ongoing. A more formalized process has been implemented to reduce risk of future losses.
October 2012 to May 2013	Five Hills Health Region	A health region employee who also works for a Community Based Organization reported overlapping hours on the same day at two sites. The employee also reported sick time at one site and worked at the other site on the same day.	\$2,462	The employee voluntarily resigned from the health region, prior to the investigation. The incident was reported to the police and the employee was requested to repay the outstanding balance.
September 2013	Saskatoon Health Region	An employee stole cash from the cash register in Food and Nutrition Services (FNS).	Estimated to be greater than \$500.	The employee resigned and a police report has been filed. FNS management is implementing an overt video surveillance strategy and improving its fraud reporting processes. As well, additional efforts are focused on improving cash register logistics.

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June 2013	Keewatin Yatthé Health Region	Petty cash of \$67 and approximately \$500 of fundraising money stolen out of the petty cash box.	\$567	An internal investigation was completed and police were contacted. It is still unknown who stole the money. Internal controls have been improved to reduce the risk of future losses.
External				
April 2012 to May 2013	Five Hills Health Region	A Community Based Organization employee reported hours and submitted associated expenses for hours not worked. The employee was paid for these hours and expenses.	\$1,161	The employee was dismissed. The organization has reported the incident to the police.
July 4, 2013	Prairie North Health Region	A Prairie North RHA laptop was stolen from the house of an employee. The employee works from home.	\$1,200	The RCMP were contacted. The laptop has not been recovered.

*Health Organizations include: Regional Health Authorities, Athabasca Health Authority, Saskatchewan Cancer Agency and North Sask. Laundry and Support Services Ltd.

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