

## Speaker Biography



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Melissa McKinley is the Director of Planning with the Alberta Cannabis Secretariat within the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General.

Melissa has been with the Government of Alberta since 2005 and has worked in a number of areas including information management and technology, organizational learning, strategic planning, governance, legal services and legislative development.

Her current role is to lead the development of legislation required to support policy decisions made by the Government of Alberta in response to the legalization of cannabis in Canada.