

PARTNERING WITH SHARED CARE

Each month the Shared Care Committee (SCC) reviews Expressions of Interest (EOIs) and Proposals submitted from communities/Divisions of Family Practice and specialists interested in engaging in Shared Care work. The following are details of approved funding for 'new and ongoing' projects from the meeting.

Proposals

- Burnaby – Screening for early detection of metabolic conditions.
- Cowichan Valley – Living consciously with terminal illness.
- South Okanagan Similkameen – Improving primary care capacity for unattached higher complexity patients.

Expressions of Interest (EOIs)

- Kootenay Boundary – Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) network: bridging communication and inclusion.
- East Kootenay – Adult mental health and substance use.
- Sunshine Coast – Caring for coastal caregivers.
- Sunshine Coast – Greensleeves – Advance care planning.
- BC Children's Hospital – Support transitions between pediatric mental health services.
- Rural and Remote – Outer Southern Gulf Islands – Mental health and substance use.
- RCCbc – Food is Medicine – Rural type 2 diabetes initiative.
- New Vista – Medication Moneyball: Optimizing medication management in long-term care.

PRESENTATIONS | UPDATES

SCC Network Vision World Cafe

The committee members were divided into in-person and hybrid groups and discussed the following questions over three rounds, with each round lasting 20 minutes:

1. What specific challenges are Shared Care and the JCCs facing that networks can help us with? Why are networks important to addressing these challenges?
2. Among the challenges we are facing, which networks could help us with the most right now?
3. What do we want our networks to be doing to support the work of Shared Care and the Joint Collaborative Committees? Identify priority areas and optimize actions for patient-centered outcomes.

Each group received sticky notes to record their discussions. After each round, the findings were shared.

Following the presentation of the findings, the facilitators opened the floor for further discussion on two key themes: "Breaking Down Silos" and "Bringing People Together".

Farewell Rosa Medina

The SCC members expressed their gratitude to Rosa Medina for her invaluable contributions as the SCC Senior Administrative Assistant. Adrian Leung, Vice President, Shared Care & Strategic Initiatives, shared a heartfelt farewell.

Cancer Call for Proposals Update

Dr Michael McKenzie and Brooke Knowlton, Manager, Strategic Initiatives, presented an update on the progress of Cancer EOIs. There have been 33 inquiries from various disciplines and regions. The deadline for Cancer EOI submission was extended to October 18, 2024.

The Committee made a few inquiries of the presenters and suggested co-chair Eugene Johnson connect them with Ministry of Health representatives to see if health authority cancer leads can be invited to the Cancer Call for Proposals Advisory Committee.

Revisiting the Definition of Shared Care, Part 1

Laura Anderson presented the evolving definition of SCC to have a more expansive view of what SCC's partnership would look like.

- At the June 2024 SCC meeting, the committee discussed expanding the definition of SCC. The plan is to revisit the partnership expansion proposal once challenges related to the compensation discussion for nurses and midwives are addressed at the JCC co-chairs level.

The Committee suggested approaching Primary Care Networks (PCNs) for support in the second part of expansion and to ensure buy-in from community-based specialists. They approved the expansion of the physician dyads to partnerships.

FOCUS OF SHARED CARE COMMITTEE

Developing innovative approaches to improving collaboration between family and specialist physicians, and spreading success through networks and other strategies.