

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.

- Kootenay Boundary – Optimizing Regional Rheumatology Care Delivery, Strategies, and Collaboration
- East Kootenay – What is our healthiest approach to frailty? – Palliative Care Network
- Fraser Northwest – Community Pathway of Care for Suspected Deep Vein Thrombosis Cases
- Fraser Northwest – Access to Dermatology
- South Island – Maternity
- Qathet – Comprehensive Pregnancy Services
- Sunshine Coast – Collaborative Mental Health Care

PRESENTATIONS | UPDATES

Creating Quality Impact (CQI) Working Group Update

Andrea McMaster, Initiative Liaison, presented on the evolution of work from the former Centre of Excellence Working Group to the Creating Quality Impacts (CQI WG) Working Group.

- The purpose of this work is to enhance the system impact from SSC and SCC initiatives, as defined by the IHI Triple Aim by March 31, 2024
- The QI team supports funded project groups to streamline and facilitate physician engagement.
- The structure involves internal and external project management processes, including the CQI WG, Advisory Group, and the CQI staff and leadership.

The first CQI session was held on April 21, 2023 and participants discussed five problem statements, including a lack of consistency in levels and types of support, improvement methodology and training, commitment and resources, and others.

Key themes to resolve these problem statements were identified by the Working Group, including standard project closing procedures across QI, clarified methodologies, strengthened and sustained project requirements, and shared resources for all QI work.

Shared Care Call for Proposals

Laura Anderson, Senior Manager, reminded the group about the "Call for Proposals", a new deliverable in the 2023-2024

workplan. The intention of the Call for Proposals is to find ways for Shared Care to:

- Increase impact
- Add value
- Create opportunities for leveraging relationships
- Fill gaps in care
- Create a clear plan and context within the work

Committee members went into breakout rooms to discuss the Call for Proposals. It was recommended that they narrow the scope, link directly to SCC requirements, and connect with SCC networks.

Members emphasized that there be a collaborative co-development with MoH and health authorities.

East Kootenay Liver Care Project

Dr Tara Chalmers-Nixon, Physician Lead, Dellanee Kahlke, Project Lead, and Jacqui van Zyl, Program Manager, joined the meeting to present their East Kootenay Improving Access to Liver Care project.

- The project's primary goal was identified to streamline referrals and standardize screening processes, create care pathways, and provide education and resources for referring family physicians.
- The engagement of the project with family physicians, radiology, an internal medicine group, and general surgeons was highlighted.
- The EK Access to Liver Care team aims to sustain their project outcomes, however future discussions with SCC may be held to provide updates on progress and discuss additional funding opportunities.
- The Access to Liver Care team requires access to additional funds to integrate shear wave elastography into the East Kootenay Regional Hospital.

The committee discussed available resources and ways in which to spread the care pathway of the Liver Care project.

Other Business

The committee discussed limitations within rural health care settings, and opportunities for additional support, following the presentation from the East Kootenay Improving Access to Liver Care project team.

FOCUS OF SHARED CARE COMMITTEE

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