

PARTNERING WITH SHARED CARE

Each month the Shared Care Committee reviews Expressions of Interest (EOIs) and Proposals submitted from communities/Divisions of Family Practice interested in engaging in Shared Care work. The following are details of approved 'New Partnerships' from the meeting.

NEW PARTNERSHIPS

Expressions of Interest

Approved 'EOIs' provide limited funds (under 15K) for initial exploration of a project of interest to a community.

- Sustainable Team-Based Care for Rural Oncology in Kootenay Boundary
Bridging Psychiatric Services to Community in the Kootenay Boundary
Seeing the Invisible: Providing Care to Marginalized Children and their Families – BC Pediatric Society
- [Coordinating Care for Older Adults](#) – Northern Divisions
- Coordinating Care for Older Adults – Providence Health

Proposals

Full project proposals are submitted after successful completion of an EOI.

- [Maternity Spread Network](#) – Revelstoke
- Maternity Spread Network – Shuswap North Okanagan
- [Adult Mental Health & Substance Use Network](#) – Providence Health Care
- Suboxone and Methadone Mentorship Program – North Shore
Allowing for repatriation of stable suboxone and methadone patients from downtown East Side and North Shore Clinics to their regular family physician for a comprehensive continuum of care.

PRESENTATIONS

BC Cancer Provincial Primary Care Program - Dr. Cathy Clelland and Jennifer Wolfe

- Recognizing that **GPs need support to manage oncology patients**, the Family Practice Oncology Network (FPON), established in 2002, has a variety of activities to educate and support GPs.
- Their **expanded mandate** is to enable BC Cancer to effectively **connect with and support** community-based GPs and work with the Primary Care Networks (PCN) and the Patient Medical Homes (PMH).
- A provincial Primary Care Needs Assessment with UBC CPD to **understand the unmet needs of GPs and other primary care providers**, showed that GP involvement and support was 1) key for the sustainability of high quality patient care, 2) facilitated important communication between members of the care team both around roles and responsibilities, and 3) provided access to and sharing of patient information.
- Further **development of shared care and interprofessional team approaches** consists of: including GPs in interprofessional teams, developing one team member navigator role, and having one point of contact for patients and for primary care providers.
- It was suggested that BC Cancer **connect with Pathways on potential opportunities**, and that Health Authorities be at the table as physicians are on contract with Health Authorities.

ACEs Summit & Community of Practice (CoP) Gathering Update – Dr Shirley Sze & Eileen Janel

- The ACEs Summit on May 9th in Richmond, BC, built on the first Summit and current ACEs activities in the province to **prevent and address ACEs**.
- There were over 500 people registered, with nearly 100 physicians in attendance.

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- A pre-event and post-event evaluation were conducted, and a reflective questionnaire was sent out one month after the event. The post-event evaluation showed a **30-40% increase in levels of confidence in incorporating ACEs into practice** and providing trauma-informed care. Read more about the event [here](#)

CYMHSU CoP Gathering:

- Scheduled after the ACEs Summit, this fourth in-person gathering of the CoP focused on child and youth **substance use services**, which was identified as a **top priority** in a recent survey to CoP membership.
- Representatives from the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Mental Health & Addictions (MMHA) presented at the workshop to discuss **gaps and key actions** for child and youth substance use care in BC.
- CoP members found the opportunity to **collaboratively generate solutions with government ministries** most valuable, and key learnings from May 9th will be explored via online discussions (SLACK) over the next months.
 - The CoP intends to continue working closely with the child and youth-serving Ministries to **align priorities** as the MMHA strategic plan is developed.

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