

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 'new and ongoing' partnerships from the meeting.

NEW OR ONGOING PARTNERSHIPS

Approved Proposals

- **Care Planning for Familiar Faces in the Emergency Department** – Victoria Division
- **Acute Discharge** – Fraser Northwest Division

PRESENTATIONS

Physician and Project Leads Workshop Overview

- A **record high of 97 registrants** participated in SCC's **Annual Physician and Projects Leads workshop** across the three days, and feedback was very positive.
- The **virtual event** included **presentations from SCC project teams and guest presenters; networking and discussion sessions, Shared Care updates, and regional project lead calls.**
- **Key themes** were: value of **relationships** and health provider **collaboration; project sustainability; engagement of Indigenous people** and cultural safety; **patient and caregiver** involvement; project **alignment with PCNs.**
- SCC members were asked to **view Len Pierre's Cultural Safety In Health Care session**, which was very impactful (link provided later).
- It was agreed that it would be beneficial to **invite Len to an SCC meeting** for a follow-up discussion.
- The committee discussed how to **better engage Indigenous peoples into SCC's work**, in alignment with the [Physician Services Committee's principles](#).
- **Sustainability was also raised as a core theme** during the physician feedback session, which will be **noted during Physician Masters Agreement negotiations.**

- It was suggested that **physicians be invited to engage in this feedback process** more frequently.
- **Highlights** from the event and **access to all video recordings and presentations** are available [here](#).

Discussion – Sustainment of SCC Projects

- It was proposed that **sustainability planning be included in Shared Care's work plan and funding model.**
- Sustainability is included in the SCC project proposal process, but there is **limited follow-up to identify or evaluate sustainability** after the project ends.
- Communities see **importance in budgeting for sustainability**, but funding and resources are limited.
- Operationalizing every project outcome may be beyond Shared Care's mandate, but **providing interim or short-term funds** to support sustainability is possible.
- **Implementing a physician/patient/provider feedback loop** after the project ends would support reporting and evaluation.
- The committee **supported the development of a sustainability plan.**

Discussion – Strategies to Promote SCC Proposals

- Initiative Liaisons shared strategies to **encourage submissions of proposals** from communities to utilize Shared Care funds available.
- There are **indications that 25-30 new proposals will be coming forward before March 2021**, and projects completing their EOIs are also expected to submit full proposals before that date.
- Explanations for the reduction in proposals can be linked to **limited capacity of divisions and physicians due to COVID-19, and PCN implementation.**
- **Strategies for generating new proposals** included;
- proactive **outreach and communication** via new and updated channels
- informing communities of **increased budgets for spread networks** (from 70,000 to 100,000), and provision of sustainability funds
- Exploring the concept of **new project managers and fund holders** such as Medical Staff Associations (MSAs), Health Authorities and other organizations.

FOCUS OF SHARED CARE COMMITTEE

Developing innovative approaches to improving collaboration between GPs, GPs with focused Practice, and specialist physicians, and spreading success through Spread Networks and other strategies.