

SSC WORKPLAN 2018/19

- In addition to the existing SSC initiatives, the following new activities are planned for 2018/19:
 - Consultation process for development of a regional engagement framework between Medical Staff Associations and Health Authorities
 - Strategize the spread of successful SSC-funded work in key focus areas given the volume and success of locally-led projects
 - Begin implementation of [Enhancing Access Initiative \(Pooled Referrals\)](#)
 - Build relationships and physician leadership capacity in Medical Staff Associations (MSA) and the Physician Quality Improvement (PQI)
 - Physician Quality Summit, Nov 2018
 - Support interested specialists to be involved in the Ministry of Health surgical strategy, particularly relating to processes and decision-making within the scope and responsibility of physician offices
- Once the plan has been approved by the Physician Services Committee, it will be posted on the [SSC website](#) this Spring

KEY METRICS 2018/2019

- [Facility Engagement](#)
 - 69 Medical Staff Associations receive full funding
 - Interim Evaluation report complete
- [Physician Quality Improvement](#)
 - 500 physicians receive quality improvement training; 100 physician-led QI projects supported
- [Quality & Innovation](#)

- Completion of projects due to end this fiscal (19) unless projects proceed to additional spread or sustainability activities.

VIRTUAL CARE

- Dr Kendall Ho, Professor of Department of Emergency Medicine & Lead of Digital Emergency Medicine Unit, presented to SSC regarding [The Robson Valley Pilot](#) which tested the opportunities provided by virtual medicine and technology to enhance and support patient care by connecting providers in rural communities.
- SSC will be working with Dr. Ho to examine the case studies from the Pilot, particularly regarding physician remuneration challenges to providing virtual care.

ENGAGING SPECIALIST PHYSICIANS

- The Committee is exploring the role members can take beyond SSC's bimonthly meetings, and discussed how to involve grassroots physicians as the SSC embarks on its next strategic multi-year plan, beginning Apr 2019.
- A working group will recommend how SSC can engage with physicians and other stakeholders to inform the development of SSC's next strategic plan, including the idea of hosting a provincial summit in 2019, jointly with the Specialists of BC.

PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP IN BC

- SSC is considering conducting an assessment jointly with health authorities that could inform a provincial strategy for supporting physician leaders.



The Specialist Services Committee (SSC) is one of four Joint Collaborative Committees representing a partnership of Doctors of BC and the government of BC. SSC aims to improve patient care by engaging physicians to:

- collaborate within the health system
- lead quality improvement initiatives
- deliver high quality services with SSC