

### COMMITTEE UPDATE

- The Committee recognized the service of Brendan Abbott, the ex SSC Co-Chair in absentia and welcomed Ryan Murray as the new Co-Chair representing the Ministry of Health.
- Dr Adele Harrison, and Sue Fuller-Blamey were also welcomed to the committee as HA representatives replacing Dr Georgene Miller (PHSA) and Dr Christine Hall (VIHA) respectively whose services were also acknowledged in absentia.

### SSC & LMA FEE TRANSFER

- The transfer of the SSC and LMA FEEs to the Ministry is underway.
- SSC staff will bring a revised budget for 2020/21 to the next meeting with new allocations for LMA fees along with financial decisions for the other SSC initiatives.

### SPECIALIST SYMPOSIUM 2020

- The Specialist Symposium Working group received feedback from committee members on the theme of the symposium, where the majority were in favour of the broad theme: 'The role of Specialists today versus in the future.' Wording and branding will be further developed.
- The Committee also approved a budget for co-sponsoring a joint event with GPSC that will engage both specialists and GPs on matters of mutual importance which will be held as an extension of the Specialist Symposium and the GPSC Summit.

### MOH SURGICAL STRATEGY

- The Ministry of Health presented a high level draft overview of the updated Surgical Strategy for 2020/21.
- MoH will collaborate with SSC's Surgical Patient Optimization Collaborative (SPOC) as well as Enhancing Access Initiative (EAI) to further develop the strategies relating to pre-optimization and single entry models respectively.

- The Committee advised to include the voice of specialists in the process of developing the strategy where possible.

### COLLABORATIVE COUNCILS

- The Committee approved an initial budget of \$300K for implementation of the Collaborative Councils in three HAs for this fiscal year (2020/21), and the same amount for the addition of a fourth HA the next fiscal year (2021/22).
- A co-chair model similar to the committee was approved for the administration of these councils composed of one HA co-chair and one active physician co-chair.
- Further details of the roles, responsibilities and funding information will be distributed to key stakeholders shortly.

### ENHANCING ACCESS INITIATIVE BUDGET

- The Committee approved a \$200K budget increase for a total of \$1.9M for the 2020/21 fiscal year for implementation of central intake/pooled referrals to ten new groups (second cohort) of specialists participating in this initiative.
- This new budget will pay for the services and deliverables provided by EMR vendors, details of which will be provided in the next meeting.

### MAYO CLINIC VISIT

- Budget for a visit to the Mayo Clinic facility was approved by the Committee after reflecting on the benefits of the last visit by the PQI initiative participants.
- Funding for the visit will be allocated from the PQI central budget.
- The Committee advised the planning committee to explore the inclusion of senior HA and MoH representatives where possible.

### HEALTHCARE DYAD LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The Committee approved \$15K to co-sponsor the Healthcare Dyad Leadership Summit along with the Canadian College of Healthcare Leaders and participate in the planning committee



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