

Welcome and Territorial Acknowledgement

The Specialist Services Committee (SSC) co-chairs recognized the unceded traditional Indigenous territories., Committee members shared their own land acknowledgements based on where they were calling in from.

Committee Administration

Joanna Richard has been appointed as the new EVP, Joint Collaborative Committees (JCC)'s. Marna deSousa has been announced as the interim Northern Health Authority (NHA) representative.

Adrian Leung and Dr Devin Harris acknowledged the passing of Interior Health's board chair Dr Doug Cochrane. SSC celebrated his lifelong contributions and achievements.

Adrian Leung provided a high-level overview of the Physician Quality Improvement (PQI)/Spreading Quality Improvement (SQI)/Alumni Funds Transfer Agreement (FTA) changes.

Results from the 2023 Health Authority Engagement Survey and Plans to Move Forward

Rob Hulyk and Alyson Thomas presented the 2023 Doctors of BC Health Authority's Engagement Survey results. Results revealed physician's physical and psychological safety, and health human resources (HHR) were areas requiring improvement. The Doctors of BC team will next meet with Health Authorities to develop response plans and explore alignment with Doctors of BC's new strategic plan. The response plans will be shared with the JCCs once developed.

SSC Terms of Reference (ToR)

Kirsten Smillie presented the draft SSC ToR, with proposed updates added to reflect the current Physician Master Agreement (PMA). The updated document was approved.

SSC Financial Update

David Moseley, Manager, JCC Finance, and Vaishnavi Dasari, JCC Financial Analyst, shared the SSC Financial Summary as of January 31, 2024. An overview of the spend to date, breakdown of spending, and prior year comparisons was provided and the projection to year-end was summarized.

Doctors of BC's New Strategic Plan

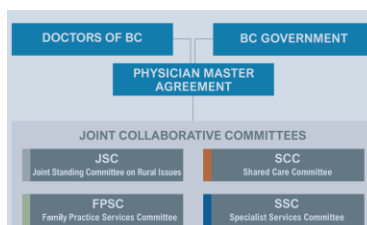
Dr Ahmer Karimuddin, President, Doctors of BC, joined the meeting to present the new Doctors of BC Strategic Plan. Through consults with JCC co-chairs, committee members, and employees, a five-year strategic plan was created to enhance physicians' influence and voice.

Open Discussion: How can SSC Support and Enhance Physician Voices?

This discussion highlighted the importance of modernizing healthcare through data utilization, supporting medical administrative leaders and specifically women, improving brand awareness, and working as a team to enhance the system.

Ministry of Health Strategic Repositioning

- Ministry of Health (MOH) staff Kristy Anderson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Hospital and Provincial



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Health Services, Tracy Marten, Executive Director of Cancer Care, and Shana Ooms, Executive Director, Access and Wait Times, presented an overview of the MOH Strategic Repositioning Priorities and Objectives and Key Results (OKRs) for cancer care, hospitals, surgical and diagnostics. The team laid out the following goals for each priority areas: Cancer care: to establish BC as a leader in the full continuum of cancer care, to improve access with a rural and remote and a First Nations focus by prevention, early detection, timely access and improved performance reporting.

- The Hospital service program: to provide timely access to reliable, sustainable, high-quality patient-centered and culturally safe care by ensuring adequate acute care capacity and reducing the demand through community-based referral strategies.
- The Surgical services program: to provide clinical timely access to reduce surgical wait times in BC with a rural and remote focus on health human resources (HHR) by improving surgical capacity.
- The Diagnostics program: to continue work to ensure timely access to both imaging and laboratory diagnostics with a rural and remote focus on HHR by delivering imaging needs to meet the demand and implementing a sustainable and integrated medical imaging system.

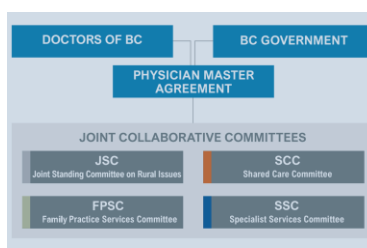
promising projects and innovations in clinical settings. Kevin Samra will share a list of Health Innovation Pathway Projects and send the program guide to SSC.

Consultant Specialist Team Care Overview and Question and Answer

Dr Tommy Gerschman, Consultant Specialist Team Care Physician Lead, and Garth Vatkin, Portfolio Liaison, Quality Impact, provided updates on the revised Specialist Team Care Program and sought feedback on the criteria for site selection and SSC’s reporting preference.

Health Innovation Pathway Program

Kevin Samra, Executive Director, Ministry of Health, provided an overview on the Health Innovation Pathway Program which was created by the Ministry to foster a culture of bottom-up innovation. The Health Innovation Pathways Program is a corporate support service that identifies and supports the testing of



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