



Collaborative Services Committee: What You Always Wanted to Know and More

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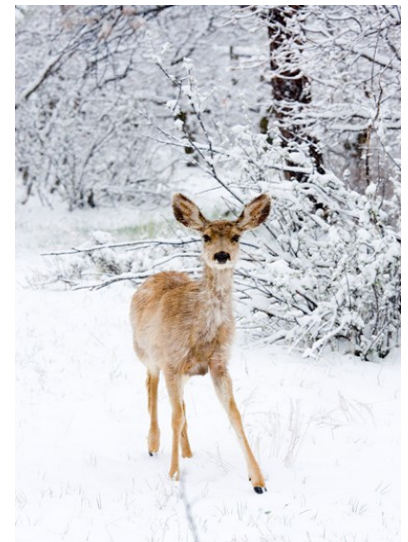
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The Collaborative Services Committee is the round table where Division reps meet with people from VCH, MOH, BCMA, GSPC, and the community, to create viable health care solutions. Its purpose is to design strategies that work for GPs and for the system as a whole. The committee operates through dialogue, collaboration and consensus.

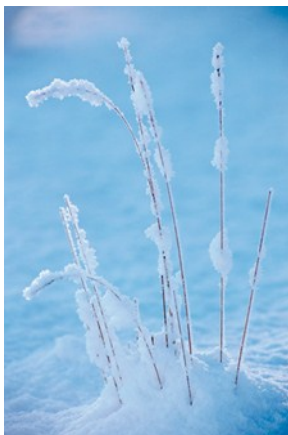
The CSC will address problems brought to its attention by any of the representatives. It is key to the

CSC's success that core problems be put forth, so that all members participate equally in finding a solution. This is quite a novel approach to health care system reform and we are feeling very enthusiastic by this golden opportunity to be part of not only the discussion, but the decision making.

The NS Division CSC reps are Dean Brown, Lisa Gaede and Genevieve Lauzon. Contact any of us with questions, or if you'd like to participate on a working



committee (with sessional remuneration).



Mental Health and Addictions Dine and Learn

The Dine and Learn on November 25th at the Pinnacle Hotel, was presented by Dr. Lance Patrick, Head of LGH and NS Psychiatric Services, Claudia Frowein, Manager of Community

Psychiatric Services, and Mary Murray, CMH Intake Worker. They discussed plans for service integration, a new centre of excellence and how to access services.

Presentation materials are on www.deanbrown.ca | NS Division | Presentations. A one-page summary is included in this issue.

GPSC Billing Changes

On December 13, 2010, Dr. Joanne Larsen (NS GP Billing Rep) and Joanne Sullivan (NS MOA Billing Rep) provided billing updates to GPs and MOAs at a casual Dine and Learn.

Joanne thought she was up on billing information, but learned a lot when she attended her recent training session. Some of

the billing changes have a time-limited retroactive window.

The PowerPoint, billing guide, tutorial link and Q/A can be found at www.deanbrown.ca | NS Divisions | Presentations.

An MoH request form, "PSP Profile Analysis" (found under same link above) can be used

for CDM, and to get lists of patients with chronic conditions.

Both of our Joanne's are available for billing questions.

Contact: Joanne Larsen
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Palliative Care Dine and Learn

Dr. Peter Edmunds and team will update us on the NS Palliative Care program.

The Dine and Learn will be held Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at the Pinnacle Hotel (SE corner, Esplanade and Lonsdale). Reception 1800, dinner

1830, presentation 1845.

As always, there will be dialogue between presenters and attendees, and a one-page summary will be sent out following the event. RSVP to Leslie Keenan at Lkeenan@divisionsbc.ca or 604-765-3607.

New members always welcome!

Dying on the North Shore: The changing world of palliative care. Presented by Dr. Peter Edmunds and team.

NS Division Half-Day Event

Mark your calendar for the morning of Saturday April 16, 2011 at the Capilano Golf Club.

The NS Division will host a paid event including education, and discussion

of next steps in our areas of interest.

The NS Division Society AGM will be held over lunch, with election of the Board.

More news to come.



Division News Bytes



Working Groups

Working groups are the engine for planning integrated, sustainable health care change on behalf of NS GPs, allied health professionals and consumers. We are convening groups on High Needs Patients and Mental Health/Addictions. If you'd like to participate, please contact our Coordinator, Leslie Keenan.

EMR

In addition to the 7 areas of focus identified by members, we recently added another — EMR. A working group, including PITO and VCH, will make recommendations applicable to all NS GPs (ie not vendor specific) and how to interface EMR with the broader system. The idea of EMR peer coaching will also be explored.

Physician Engagement Form

Borrowing from the Abbotsford Division, we have created a Physician Engagement Form. If you get a request to participate in an event, committee, etc., you can have the requestor complete the [fillable pdf form](#), which includes the event, time commitment, remuneration, etc. Our coordinator will email it to members. This allows the Division to funnel requests through one central source, and get the word out to all Division members. The form can be found at www.deanbrown.ca |NS Division| GP Engagement **or** the Division website www.divisionsbc.ca/divisions/region/north-shore under "Resources".

LGH Rounds

A calendar of LGH Rounds is now posted at www.deanbrown.ca |Upcoming Events.

SGP Dues Reminder from Your District 4 Board Delegate, - Jim Hayward

Please remember to join the Society of General Practitioners (SGP) when you are paying your BCMA dues on line. Your dues will enable the SGP to continue to work on your behalf regarding economic issues e.g., fees. The SGP is your voice within the BCMA.

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