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# Doc Talk- Nov. 2014

Your monthly update from the Chilliwack Division of Family Practice

## Welcome!

Get caught up on all that's new at the Division with this month's issue of Doc Talk. If you'd like more frequent updates, [subscribe to our blog](#), which features new posts regularly.

## Nov. 19: GPSC Incentives Billing Workshop

Family physicians, billing clerks/MOAs and medical residents in Chilliwack, Agassiz-Harrison and Hope are invited to a workshop reviewing GPSC Incentives and other billing requirements. Scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 6 pm - 9 pm, the workshop will be held at the Coast Hotel. **Please note that the new location is the Coast Hotel.** It will outline fee codes, what is required from both patient/FP eligibility and documentation needed to bill them appropriately. In recognition and appreciation of your time, session payments and honorariums are available as well as a one-time opportunity to provide childcare during the event. To register, please [fill out this form](#) and drop it off at the Division office or fax to [Elly Meyerink](#) at 604-795-4111.

## Nov. 12-15: Family Medicine Forum in Quebec

Various Division members will be attending the 14th annual [Family Medicine Forum](#) (or FMF) in Quebec from Nov. 12-15. The largest and most comprehensive annual conference for family physicians, FMF is co-presented by the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and its Section of Teachers, Section of Researchers and local host chapter. Providing practical and thought-provoking professional development via several streams of continuing professional development sessions as well as opportunities to recharge and network with peers and

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## Nov. 19: GPSC Incentives Billing Workshop

Time: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:45 pm  
Location: Chilliwack Cultural Centre, at 9201 Corbould Street, Chilliwack  
**Please note the location has**

colleagues, the conference will be held at the Quebec City Convention Centre.

## Central 2nd Day springs into action with the Be Active Every Day Challenge

Led by Dr. Alison Henry, Central 2nd Day will be participating in the [Be Active Every Day Challenge](#) for all of November. This Doctors of BC initiative is designed to help Chilliwack students learn the value of daily playtime. Central 2nd Day is an after school program at a local community school, serving up to 40 students in grades 3 to 6. The program provides opportunities for students to participate in formal arts, sports and other recreational activities. It also provides a safe platform for children to interact and thrive while connecting them with a caring community of support. As part of the challenge, Dr. Henry will be leading students in a month-long activity program that focuses on getting one hour of play every day, a message that ties in with the Chilliwack Division's [Healthy Kids Initiative](#). For more information or to get involved, please contact [Katrina Bepple](#).

## Division at Family Medicine Conference in Vancouver

Held on Oct. 18 and 19, the BC College of Family Physicians' 2014 Fall Family Medicine Conference in Vancouver was well-attended by physicians and staff from the Chilliwack Division. Offering diverse plenary and breakout sessions as well as office procedural skill workshops, the forum presented a wide variety of interactive, practical and clinically relevant family medicine topics in a comfortable environment.

## Resident Social Meet & Greet

Held at local restaurant, Rustica's on October 8, Dr. Henry, along with members of the Recruitment Committee organized a social evening for residents in their first and second years. Accompanying dinner were brief and engaging presentations from local physicians who illustrated the various options for practicing in Chilliwack, Agassiz-Harrison and Hope. Special thanks to Dr. Greggain, Dr. Salter, Dr. Greidanus, Dr. Bright and Dr. Kennedy for their presentations and to all residents who

changed to [Coast Hotel](#).



### Nov. 12-15: Family Medicine Forum

Location: Quebec City Convention Centre

[Register here.](#)



### Family Medicine Conference

Date: Oct. 18 & 19

Location: Westin Bayshore, Vancouver

[Click here to see pictures](#)



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Date: Oct. 8

Location: Rustica's restaurant

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attended! View pictures from the evening [here](#).

## **Patient Attachment Mechanism Explained**

Patients looking for a primary care provider call the A GP for Me Hotline at 604-795-0034 or Toll Free at 1-844-795-0034 to get to the Patient Attachment Mechanism (PAM). Once the patients are screened and determined to be truly unattached, patients fill out the Intake Form, Pharmanet Consent Form and if needed, the Narcotic Agreement Form. Once they fill out the forms, they are a patient of the Primary Care Clinic. Intake forms are then reviewed and triaged through the PAM and booked with a family doctor or nurse practitioner for a 20-minute Meet and Greet, depending on urgency. Following this, care is organized for patients who either remain in the clinic permanently or are referred out to a family doctor in the community.

## **Nov. 21: Aboriginal Lunch and Learn**

Service providers will be gathering at the Sto:lo Nation Government House on Nov. 21, between 12 pm and 1 pm for an Aboriginal Lunch and Learn session. The session will be focused on the Sacred Ceremony Protocol. Please note that this Lunch and Learn session is for service providers only and lunch will not be served, so kindly bring your own.

## **Nov. 25: Chilliwack Healthier Community Information & Networking Breakfast**

Scheduled for 8:30 am at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre, the November breakfast will feature speakers from the Chilliwack Learning Society, Chilliwack Community Services, Fraser Health and the Chilliwack School District. Presentations will explore a project aimed at empowerment through improved financial literacy and elaborate on Chilliwack's community health profile, exploring the latest health statistics, survey results as well as community resources.

## Petal MD Update

Petal MD is a management platform build for physicians to assist with group scheduling, centralized scheduling, publishing updates, facilitating online exchange of on-call duties and much more. The collaboration tool supports discussion and organization of Continuing Medical Education content and events. Designed to reduce overall management time, the software focuses on schedule cycle management, synchronization and knowledge sharing.

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