# COMOX VALLEY PCN UPDATE

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### **Celebrating K'ómoks First Nation Health Center Opening**

Ales Jules PCN Indigenous Wellness Liaison - Komoks First Nation Health Center Opening The K'ómoks First Nation are in transition from KDC Health - Kwakiutl District Council to K'ómoks Health, and well on their way to taking care of their people. Recently members of our PCN staff were invited to the K'ómoks Community Hall to participate in the K'ómoks Health Open House to meet members of the community. Alex Jules set up a table with PCN information and services to share with community members. Joining him was Sheila Fetter ( the New PCN Dietitian).

We all look forward to sharing and caring with K'ómoks First Nation in helping our communities become healthier people.



#### **PCN Dietitian**

Welcome Sheila Fetter, Dietitian Click Here to learn more about Sheila.



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#### **Indigenous Diversity and Lateral** Racism

Bringing an understanding of how diversity amongst Indigenous populations acts as a mechanism for lateral racism. How indigeneity is quantified by physical appearance; skin colour, blood quantum, 'half breed'. As a result of colonization, Indigeneity and trauma arising from colonization impact relationships. This session will help support PCN Team Members with understanding Indigenous relationships and support you in building culturally safe collaborative and meaningful partnerships with clients, families, and

community.



**Pictured here: Métis Elders** Sheila Buchanan & Bryce Mercredi

cv Indigenous Wellness Liaison Alex Iules -DRUMMING



**RN's in Practice –** Update - Interviews for PCN Register Nurse positions took place on Thursday June 6th – we look forward to adding three new members to the care team







**Comox Valley Division of Family Practice** 



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#### Please join us for the culturally informed teambased care learning session on Trauma Informed Practice

#### Choose a date and time that works

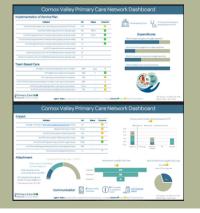
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**REGISTER HERE - (live link)** 



#### Curious about the progress of the Primary Care Network?

#### Please click here to view our emerging dashboard that reports on progress to date



#### **Health Connect Registry** Seeking: Lead physician to support Patient Attachment

We are seeking a lead physician for patient attachment and the Health Connect Registry, this role will help to guide and advise on the patient attachment program within the Division. The time commitment for this role will be 2 hours per month at sessional rate. The time would be used to provide guidance and input to our program team as we continue to build out the registry and work to ensure it meets the needs of the local primary care providers and the community members of the Comox Valley.

#### Health Connect Registry - What is It?

The Health Connect Registry launched in the Comox Valley in April 2021. It is an online selfregistration tool available to all Comox Valley community members seeking a primary care provider.

#### What is the Registry for?

The Registry acts as a centralized waitlist that:

- · Connects patients to a primary care provider on a first registered, first attached basis.
- Reduces the administrative requirements of maintaining waitlists at clinics.
- Provides a centralized location for primary care clinic staff to direct public inquiries about finding a provider.
- Creates equity for community members looking for a care provider.
- · Supports the development/maintenance of balanced panels for physicians and nurse practitioners who are accepting patients into their practice.

· Supports individuals who reside south of the Oyster River and North of Bowser.

Since the registry launched in April 2021, 7379 people have registered and 1265 have been attached from the Registry to a physician or nurse practitioner within the Comox Valley. If you would like more information or are interested in supporting this program as a lead physician, please contact Lisa McDougall-Lee.

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