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Minor Tenant Improvement Funding Extension

We are pleased to advise that the GPSC has approved the extension of Minor Tenant Improvement (MTI) funding to FY2021/22. Jointly funded by the BC Ministry of Health and the GPSC, the MTI funding is available until March 2022, to support family physician owned/leased clinics in expanding and/or renovating existing or new space to accommodate new team members (RNs/LPNs and/or AHPs), as indicated in service plan approvals. All applications for the funding must be submitted by December 31, 2021, with the work to have been completed by March 31, 2022. Funding is available until March 31, 2022 or when the total funding amount has been exhausted (whichever comes first). Detailed information about this funding stream can be found ([Here](#)) and the funding submission form can be found ([Here](#)). Interested clinics should communicate their interest to Jacquie Kinney at jkinney@divisions.bc.ca. If you have any questions about the MTI funding, please contact gpsc.billing@doctorsofbc.ca. Please note that MTI funding is distinct from the recently announced Group Family Practice Development Grant. For more information about this grant, please see below.

New GPSC Grant Supports Doctors to Form Group Family Practices

The GPSC has introduced a new grant to help cover expenses incurred when family doctors join or form a new or expanded group practice. The Group Family Practice Development Grant, which provides up to \$30,000 per eligible physician, addresses feedback from family doctors that significant expenditures of closing and/or merging offices are holding them back from forming or consolidating group practices.

For More Information: [Click Here](#) **Application form:** [Click Here](#)

Team Based Care Implementation Grant

GPSC recently announced another grant to offset costs of recruiting into team-based care practices. More information will be shared in the next Update. For details please visit: [Grant announced by GPSC to offset costs of recruiting into team-based care practices](#) | [GPSC \(gpsc.bc.ca\)](http://GPSC(gpsc.bc.ca))

A New PCN Team Member in the Comox Valley

Welcome, Hannah Zalmanowitz
Primary Care Social Worker

[Click here](#) to read the full

announcement

and Primary Care Network - Social
Worker Role & Services





Doctors of BC Confidentiality Agreement for Health Authority Employees Working in a Physician's Private Practice



New Care Team Members working in a Physician Clinic will be asked to sign a confidentiality agreement that acknowledges their need to fully comply with the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) as directed by the Physician Practice Policies. No action is required on the Clinic's part at this time. Once this document is signed by the Care Team Member working with the team and in your practice, a copy will be provided to you. You can find an example of this document [here](#).

Team Charting Agreement

The Team Charting Agreement is an agreement used when Care Team Members employed by a Health Authority chart within the Primary Care Practice Electronic Medical Record. This agreement was developed by the GPSC for use by Primary Care Networks. We will be providing a "How To Guide" to support clinics to complete this agreement. For any questions regarding the local application of this agreement please contact Dom.

Background information and answers to some high-level questions regarding the Team Charting Agreement can be found in the provincial Team Charting Implementation Guide.

- The Implementation Guide includes information on the following:
- General Information on the Team Charting Agreement and who should sign
- Funding to support onboarding of the Allied Health Provider
- Training for the Allied Health Provider in the EMR
- Privacy and Security
- Team Charting
- Reporting and Access to the EMR by Island Health
- Liability
- Patient Notification

Implementation Guide : [Here](#)

Team Up Webinar!

Team Up Webinar and Podcast series announces Webinars and Podcasts for April-June, 2021. Team-Up Team-Based Primary and Community Care in Action aims to connect individuals and teams, identify tools to apply to current work underway and share experiences in team-based care across the Province.

Register for the Following 1 hour lunchtime

no cost webinars here:

[Reflections from the Field:](#)

[Teams Get Real About Team-Based Care](#)

May 20, 1200-1300 PT

[Team Framework: Evaluating Team-Based Care](#) June 17 1200-1300 PT

Patient Experience Survey



We want and NEED to hear from you!

With over 250 responses to the patient experience survey, 86% of the respondents self identify as women.

All people in our community use health care services! Everyone is a patient in the system (even care providers themselves) and we want and NEED to hear from all. We are seeking a diverse cross section of viewpoints from all genders, backgrounds, beliefs and experiences. Find the survey [here](#).

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