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From the Board of Directors and staff of the East Kootenay Division of Family Practice, we wish you and yours the very best of the season, and a wonderful 2020!

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The **East Kootenay Family Physician Survey** was distributed via email last week. Please complete the survey before the **deadline of Friday December 20th at 11:00pm**. If you did not receive the email, please contact Megan Purcell at **mpurcell@divisionsbc.ca** to receive your personalized survey link. Thanks to everyone who has completed the survey – we appreciate your input! Sessional forms for 30 minutes of your time will be emailed to you.

The EK Division office will be closed from December 20th through January 2nd, 2020. Should you need anything during this time, please feel free to reach out to Dionne, at **dkowalchuk@divisionsbc.ca**, and she will be happy to assist.

Thanks, and have a wonderful holiday!

The EK Division Team

Routine Growth Monitoring in Infancy - Study led by East Kootenay-based researchers

A provincial, interdisciplinary research project entitled Routine Growth Monitoring in Infancy led by Dr. Ilona Hale, MD, CCFP, and Stephanie Obara, RN, MN, is seeking family physicians to participate in this study by completing a 2 or 3 minute online survey.

The purpose of this study is to better understand the risks and benefits of growth monitoring in infancy, which could have implications for practitioners, policy makers, and most importantly, for patients. This study has Research Ethics Board approval from Interior Health, College of the Rockies,

Attached are the study recruitment details, poster and the survey.





MBMD gives you secure access to **call-board information**, **in-patient information**, and the ability to send secure messages between family physicians, specialists, and nursing teams.

Click **this link** for a short tutorial on the MBMD app.
For questions regarding MBMD please contact Jacqui van Zyl **jvanzyl@divisionsbc.ca**

Readers' Choice: GPSC 2019 is a collection of the top ten stories that were most read and shared by family physicians and divisions throughout 2019. These stories, first published on the Divisions of Family Practice Website, the GPSC website, and the BC Medical Journal, highlight the work of physicians and partners in primary care transformation.

This year, Readers' Choice features several stories about building an integrated system of primary and community care in BC, with varied examples of how team-based care is improving access to care, and ensuring family physicians feel supported in doing the work that brought them to the medical profession; the work they love to do.

Many Divisions of Family Practice around the province are now at various stages of building primary care networks (PCNs), with patient medical homes (PMH) at their foundation. In the midst of this, local divisions also continue to create grassroots programs and initiatives that support family physicians and improve patient care in new and exciting ways.

The digital copy of the collection is <u>now available online</u> and a print copy will be sent to all family physicians in their copy of the January/February edition of the BC Medical Journal.

To read last year's Readers' Choice compilation, click here.



Dr. Jeff Harries

We wish to extend our congratulations to Dr. Harries, Family Physician and South Okanagan Similkameen Division of Family Practice member, who has been recognized as a 2020 Everyday Champion winner by the BC Patient Safety & Quality Council. Dr. Harries has been for working to change the way alcohol use disorder (AUD) is perceived in our society and treated by health care professionals.

In 2019, Dr. Harries traveled around the East Kootenay giving his AUD Presentation to family physicians and other clinicians, which many felt was extremely valuable. Read more **here**.

Education and Conference Details

Register now for the East Kootenay Pediatric Conference on 24th and 25th January in Kimberley BC.

Topics include:

Vaping. The new killer by Dr. Chris Pienaar Gender affirming care of transgender youth by Dr Paul Kahlke Subscribe

Susan Pinkney

Local Child and Youth Mental Health Services by Jennifer Westcott CompassBC services by Dr. Jennifer Russel and Kevin Lorenz And a special key-note presentation on Trauma by Dr. Jody Carrington.





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The nominations for the 2020 BC Rural Health Awards have opened! We encourage you to read through the awards criteria and consider nominating a deserving healthcare team, community and/or provider from your region for this award! (See attachments: criteria and nomination form)

Recipients of the 2020 BC Rural Health Awards will receive a plaque as well as \$2,500 which may be used to support a local healthcare organization, a learning resource, or a community celebration. In the past recipients have donated the monies to a local healthcare organization, hosted a community celebration, or both! Award recipients will be honoured at a brief ceremony at the upcoming BC Rural Health Conference being held May 29-31 in Penticton, BC.

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JCC Pre-Forum Event (Feb 25) & Quality Forum (Feb 26-27)

Whether you're planning to attend just one or all three days of the event, take this opportunity to register to avoid disappointment. The main two days of the forum have sold out every year.

JCC Creating Connections for Health, February ${\bf 25^{th}}-{\it Featuring}$ more than ${\bf 50}$ presentations, this year's event provides the opportunity to learn from connections and experiences in the areas

of primary care transformation, facility-based care, digital solutions, mental health, seniors,

Sponsorship & Registration — Physicians who attend the JCC event will also be sponsored to attend the two-day Quality Forum. Please use the discount code JCC20-Physician when registering to waive the fee.

Physicians must attend the JCC pre-Forum event (listed as "Creating Connections for Health" on the registration form), to be eligible for this funding.

For other sponsored attendees, please contact jcc@doctorsofbc.ca for your code.

For more information and to register click here.

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Doctors of BC seeking member input into proposed changes to health professions regulation

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Dr Kathleen Ross to continue outreach to physicians across BC in 2020

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