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EK Division Update:

The East Kootenay PCN Service Plan has been approved in principle by the Ministry of Health, but we are still waiting for the approval meeting to learn what aspects of the plan will be funded. We have been told to expect a meeting in December.

In the meantime, the Division has been busy supporting members with:

- Interprofessional Development – coaching support for clinics with Dr. Tyla Charbonneau, R.Psych. The last funded sessions have now been booked. We are seeking more funding to continuing offering this support to more clinics in the New Year, as it has been well received by participating clinics.
- Preparing to launch Pathways in the New Year
- Planning the East Kootenay Pediatric Conference in January
- Shared Care Projects – Palliative, Maternity, Chronic Pain are continuing
- A new project was recently funded to evaluate the Child and Youth Eating Disorder Clinic
- Working with RCCbc and community CME leads to plan how best to coordinate Regional CME in the East Kootenay
- Supporting communities in their recruitment efforts
- Advocating, alongside other rural Divisions, to inform the Ministry of Health about what rural communities need in PCN
- Offering Microblogging MD training for physicians
- A Physician Survey is coming soon, to help us better understand your needs. Please look for the email and complete the survey.

Flu Vaccine Billing

For flu vaccine billing advice or any other billing advice, it is recommended that physicians contact the Doctors of BC Fee Guide Advisors: Lea Harth, at lharth@doctorsofbc.ca or 604-638-2827, or Catriona Innes, at cinnes@doctorsofbc.ca or 604-638-2866.

Guidelines for flu vaccines are as follows:

- For **adults over 19 years of age who qualify for a free shot**, bill under fee item 00010. A visit fee should not be billed if the flu shot was the sole reason for the visit.

OR

- Bill the age appropriate office visit alone if both a medically necessary visit is provided as well as the immunization being administered.
- For children under the age of 19 years of age, bill under fee item 10015 plus the applicable office visit.
- For those who do not qualify for a free shot, bill privately for the injection and the serum: 00010 with a recommended fee of \$24.50 + cost of serum.

For additional information please refer to the [Canadian Immunization Guide Chapter on Influenza and Statement on Seasonal Influenza Vaccine for 2019–2020](#)

CFP's Past Issues page recently interviewed Fernie Physician and East Kootenay Division of

Family Practice Physician Lead, Dr. Todd Loewen, on the success and system challenges integrating Social Workers into the primary health care system. The interview is available [here](#) and begins at 32:45.

Cranbrook and Kimberley Early Years has developed a new early years website. The website has been created to support families with children 0-6, and professionals with early accessible information on Cranbrook and Kimberley resources. www.eearlyyears.com



Thank you to those of you that attended the East Kootenay CME Day and Division AGM. The speaker presentations are available by [clicking here](#) as well as being posted under Physician Resources on the East Kootenay Division of Family Practice Website.



GP-Emergency Jobs

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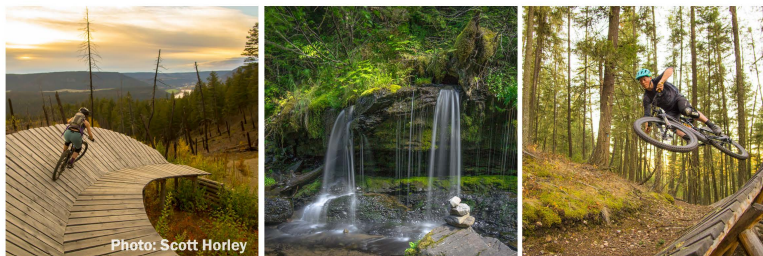


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We are pleased to invite you to our upcoming session presented by **Brian Lefebvre and Luc Holland, PHSA** on EMR to EMR Interoperability via Clinical Data eXchange (CDX): Input Needed to Inform Roll Out and Adoption of Technology.

Come join us for the session below to help provide feedback on the new processes being developed. Physicians **do not need** a technology background, just a willingness to discuss impacts to practice of various initiatives.

Please check out the details about the session below if you are interested:

Topic:	EMR to EMR Interoperability via Clinical Data eXchange (CDX): Input Needed to Inform Roll Out and Adoption of Technology
Time:	7 a.m. – 8 a.m., Wednesday, November 20, 2019
Presenters:	Brian Lefebvre, Senior Manager, Provincial eHealth Projects, PHSA Luc Holland, Senior Project Manager, Provincial eHealth Projects, PHSA
Facilitator:	Brigitte Mettler, Program Manager, Doctors Technology Office

Summary

As in many jurisdictions, GP's and specialists in BC use a variety of different EMR systems to document and manage patient care. Unfortunately, this heterogeneity of EMR's and lack of interoperability between them presents tremendous challenges to care coordination and continuity of care. To address this challenge, Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) joined Interior Health Authority (IHA) and Northern Health Authority (NHA) in a strategy to enable EMR to EMR Interoperability between different EMR platforms. As tremendous technical progress has been made in EMR to EMR Interoperability, it's now time to

Tentative Agenda

- Brief Overview of EMR to EMR Interoperability Strategy
- Review of EMR to EMR Interoperability via Clinical Data eXchange (CDX) Service & Discussion of Value Proposition and Potential Areas for Clinical Improvement
- Overview of Approach for Rolling Out EMR to EMR Interoperability (via Clinical Data eXchange - CDX)
- Discussion on How Best to Ensure Physician Leadership and Empowerment in the Roll Out of EMR to EMR Interoperability (via Clinical Data eXchange – CDX)

Reserve Your Spot

RSVP: Please email dtoadmin@doctorsofbc.ca ASAP, you will be sent a calendar invite to confirm your RSVP was received. You will ALSO receive a personal link from Zoom Webinar in a separate email following registration.

The purpose of the **Physician Engagement in Health Technology group** is to enable a dialogue and engagement between provincial and regional stakeholders of various health technology projects/programs and local level physicians in BC. These stakeholder groups have identified limited access to practicing physicians and physicians have reported willingness to be engaged. Physicians **do not need** a technology background, just a willingness to discuss impacts to practice of various initiatives.

The BC Centre for Excellence in **HIV/AIDS Clinical Education** and Training Program has organized a series of quarterly clinical educational webinars targeted to primary care providers and community. Webinars cover various topics related to HIV including medication adherence, best-practices, and related comorbidities.

The next webinar titled, **Curing Hepatitis C in People Living with HIV** will be on **Wednesday, December 4th, 2019 from 8:00 - 9:00 AM (PST)**.

Title: Curing Hepatitis C in People Living with HIV

Date: Wednesday, December 4th, 2019

Time: 8:00 - 9:00 AM (PST)

Speakers: Mark Hull, MD, MHSc, FRCPC, BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS & Hesham Ali, Peer Navigator, Positive Living Society of BC

Register here: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2233099722472298763>

Credit: 1.0 Mainpro+ credit (College of Family Physicians of Canada, B.C. Chapter)

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Pathways webinar series

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