
2014–2015 ANNUAL REPORT



Report from the Board Chair

It has been my honour and privilege to represent our members as lead chair of the Delta Division.

This year defined itself as the “relationship building” year. Relationships between physicians, community care providers, Delta Corporation, patients, and Fraser Health staff became deeper and richer as we focused on patient-centered issues and solutions.

There were significant changes with the board and staff.

Thanks to Diane Harper for her commitment to the Delta Division as Administrative Assistant and Executive Director.

Thanks to Calvin Cheng for his hard work and dedication as an inaugural board member.

Judith McLeod joined the Division as Executive Assistant in November 2014 and Geri McGrath joined in March 2015 as Executive Director. We welcome Geri and Judith, and the wealth of experience they bring to the Division.

Connie Abram continues to be our constant as the Division physician engagement lead.

Much of the year’s activities were focused on A GP for Me. Dr. Craig Martin and his team of physicians, community representatives, Division members, and staff created a motivating community-based process. Our proposal was accepted by GPSC (General Practice Services Committee) in February 2015.

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Dr. Randy McCuaig and Geri McGrath introduced a new bookkeeping process that allows significantly improved fiscal reporting.

Dr Jim Park spearheaded the Pathways project and leads our mental health initiatives.

Dr. Sandy Cheung has worked with the Fraser Health immunization program review and continues to lead our recruitment initiatives.

Our annual dog friendly Walk With Your Doc was a great success.

Delta Division hosted PSP (Practice Support Program) modules on Adult Mental Health, led by our champion Dr. Judith Fletcher. The Child and Youth Mental Health module commenced in January 2015. These modules proved to be an exceptional opportunity for physicians, MOAs and allied health care workers.

We worked closely with the Corporation of Delta. We presented to the mayor, staff and council on two occasions, highlighting the need for additional surgical beds, an orthopaedic care program and improved mental health services. We collaborated in the development of the mayor’s report to the Minister of Health.

Division board representatives meet every two months with the Collaborative Services Committee (CSC). Membership includes Fraser Health, the Corporation of Delta, GPSC, the Ministry of Health, and selected community partners as

appropriate. The CSC continues to work towards member-identified problems and solutions regarding physician recruitment, mental health, community care, and orthopaedics.

Delta Division is represented at the Fraser Health Inter-divisional meetings and Provincial Roundtable.

The board remains committed to working collaboratively with our members and community partners, identifying issues, working on solutions and translating them into meaningful actions that improve both patient care and physician wellbeing. Delta Division continues to represent great opportunities for physician influence.

The success of our Division is directly proportional to each and everyone’s participation.

Thank you for your participation and helping to make Delta Division a success.

Dr. Martin Ray

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Message from Geri McGrath, Executive Director

I am honoured to be your new Executive Director, and excited to be working with the Division as a new directional step in my career. For the past 20 years, I have worked in the hospice palliative care field, so working with physicians to improve primary care at the community level is an exciting opportunity. At the end of February 2015, our Division was funded to launch our work within A GP for Me, a province-wide initiative jointly funded by the Government of BC and Doctors of BC. As this annual report closes with our fiscal year end, next year's report will include the outcomes of our work as a team here in Delta. I look forward to working with all of you and to celebrating our accomplishments along the way.

Respectfully Submitted

Geri McGrath, MA
Executive Director

Report from Dr. Craig Martin, Lead, A GP for Me

The Delta Division is actively engaged in the implementation phase of the A GP for Me initiative. We are focusing on 4 areas:

- 1) Recruitment and retention/locum support;
- 2) Team-based care;
- 3) Patient attachment; and
- 4) Practice efficiency.



A GPSC Initiative

Our project manager, in conjunction with our executive director and the A GP for Me steering committee, oversee the operational implementation of these four endeavours. Division members and the community at large are an integral and enthusiastic element of all of this work as we forge ahead.

Events

43 people

Our third annual Walk With Your Doc was a great success! 43 participants and five dogs walked around Boundary Bay Regional Park in the sunshine.

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Members, specialists and MOAs attended the Pathways launch



Members, allied health care professionals and MOAs came together to celebrate our A GP for Me launch. We value our community partnerships and thank everyone for their support.

Our Mission and Vision

Our Mission

Ensure access to timely, comprehensive, high quality, sustainable health care in Delta through collaborative and collegial relationships within a healthy, engaged physician community.

Our Vision

An actively engaged, healthy community responsive to the needs of patients, providers and the public.



Board of Directors

Martin Ray – Chair
 Randy McCuaig – Treasurer
 Craig Martin
 Jim Park
 Sandy Chuang
 Adrian Wladichuk
 Melissa Tan

Division Staff

Geri McGrath, MA – Executive Director
 Judith McLeod – Executive Assistant
 Diane Burton – A GP for Me Project Manager
 Jennifer Thiagarasan – Resource Navigator
 Debby McKenzie – Recruitment & Retention Coordinator

The Divisions of Family Practice Initiative is sponsored by the General Practice Services Committee, a joint committee of the BC Ministry of Health and Doctors of BC.

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