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### **West Shore Laylum Care Centre Redevelopment**

West Shore Laylum's current building will be replaced by a new one that will house 74 residents. In mid-September/October, residents will be relocated to Suncrest Retirement Community in Surrey. Residents not wishing to move there will be required to meet with the FH Access, Care & Transitions Coordinator to develop a plan.

### **Disruption to NM Radioisotope Supply June 24th- July 5th, 2019**

As a result of production disruptions at multiple global nuclear reactors used for the production of radioisotopes, Lower Mainland Nuclear Medicine departments will face a temporary shortage of Technetium-99m (Tc-99m) from **Monday June 24th to Friday July 5th 2019**.

### **Internal Medicine - Rapid Access Follow-up After Hospital Discharge**

For patients admitted under internal medicine service, Internal Medicine Department Head Dr. Robert Shaw has asked his group to schedule appointments with the Rapid Access Clinic prior to discharge and dictate this information in the discharge summary.

### **Wait Times at Specialized Seniors Clinic**

Physicians are advised that there is now an 8 month wait for patients to be seen at the Specialized Seniors Clinic at Delta Hospital.

### **UBC Resident Program**

Geri McGrath and Debby McKenzie met with Dr. Mark Mackenzie from the UBC Residency Program about the possibility of South Delta partnering with their program in order to increase our recruitment options.

Dr. MacKenzie recommends that we as a Division:

- 1) Survey our FPs and hospital physicians to determine the following:
  - a. who is teaching
  - b. who they are teaching, i.e. residents, med-students, electives (IMGs)
  - c. where they come from
  - d. who coordinated the placement
  - e. who would be interested in more residents & students on a more predictable, recurrent basis that UBC can link to
  - f. whether any doctors would be interested in faculty of medicine opportunities
- 2) Connect with Vancouver / Fraser / Surrey and initiate a med-student/residency partnership

Once we have the information, UBC Family Medicine Program faculty development can support the doctors with their education. We will be reaching out soon, thank you.

### **Register for BeThink Workshop - June 25 (Primary Care Network)**

You will learn skills to navigate our new partnerships with FH and other community partners to improve access to needed allied supports for your primary care clinics as well as your patients. Contact [delta@divisionsbc.ca](mailto:delta@divisionsbc.ca) to register.