



KB Division Dispatch

COVID-19

A summary of the latest information and resources for practitioners and clinics:

- COVID On-Call Locum Program: Interested in having access to MOA
 Locum list for support if illness strikes? Register your interest...
- COVID-19 Vaccine Roll-out Toolkit: Get yours...
- New Temporary Fee Codes for COVID-19 Immunizations: <u>Details...</u>
- Last call for COVID-19 Office Safety Plan Support Grant: Jan 31, 2021 is deadline to apply for the \$1000. Apply...
- GOV BC COVID-19 Vaccine Roll-Out Plan: Full details...
- #MaskUp Poster for Clinics: Download it....
- *NEW DATE*: Next KB Divisions COVID-19 Practitioner Meeting Tues., Feb. 16th, 2021

CLINICAL SUPPORTS

Referral Pathways KB Chronic Pain Clinics

A new Shared Care project is underway to improve care for KB patients with chronic pain. As part of this work, we have outlined <u>inclusion & exclusion referral</u> <u>criteria</u> for services at both Dr. Sri Kollipara's new Interventional Pain Medicine Clinic at KBRH and Dr. Rodica Janz's Solis Integrative Health Clinic. Please use this <u>referral</u> form for the KBRH Pain Clinic.

Updated ACEs Toolkit for Family Practitioners

Did you know that strong relationships have been reported between a high Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) score and coronary artery disease, even AFTER correcting for all the conventional risk factors like smoking and cholesterol? [reference link: https://bit.ly/36i5bo1]

<u>Download the recently updated toolkit</u> for advice on incorporating trauma-informed approaches into your practice.

New MicroBloggingMD (MBMD2)

Download the updated MBMD2 app from the app/play store & log in with IHA as your facility ID to:

- Send secure messages between GPs/SPs across IH (soon to also include facility based RNs and Home Health)
- View up-to-date Call Board within the app
- Attach images directly to your message
- Indicate level of urgency to help colleagues answer in appropriate time
- Stay legal all data is transmitted 100% safe and secure (unlike texts!)

For tips & tricks, including how to access the call board, check out this **one minute video** and the **IH FAQ page**.

Supporting High-Risk Patients During COVID-19

The Ministry of Health and the BC Centre for Disease Control have published a new **'BC Care Bundle'** resource for primary care providers supporting higher risk patients during COVID-19, <u>available here...</u>

The GPSC has also approved a **one-time payment** for eligible doctors providing longitudinal care to this patient population. More information to be available in the coming weeks. Questions Contact: hlth.guidelines@gov.bc.ca

Axis House - Withdrawal Management Support

Axis is currently accepting referrals for clients seeking withdrawal management support (opiate, stimulant, alcohol). For additional information, including referral

documents click here...

Compass BC Mental Health Supports

Compass is a province-wide service to support evidenced-based care for children and youth living with mental health and substance use concerns. Through phone consultation and web-based resources, the service helps family doctors and caregivers to quickly identify, access, and deliver treatment. For more information, visit **compassbc.ca**

OFFICE EFFICIENCY

Physician Compensation

Due to low volume of office visits, the Medical Services Commission reinstated daily volume limits (caps) on in-person office visits. For more information, see #3 on the BC Family Doctors' **COVID-19 billing changes page.**

PATIENT RESOURCES

Updated KB Postpartum Tools & Resources

An amazing list of local and virtual resources for parents coping with postpartum anxiety and depression is available to **download here...**

Lifeguard Overdose Prevention App

Over 90% of all overdoses occur when people use drugs alone. The Lifeguard App provides one more way to stay safer. This life-saving app can automatically connect you to emergency responders if you become unresponsive. It's available to download free, with more information available at **stopoverdose.gov.bc.ca**.

UPCOMING EVENTS & CPD

37th Kootenay Conference *Virtual*

Feb 19 | 1330 - 1630 - Up to 2 Mainpro+ and MOC credits (poster)

Your annual medical education conference like you've never seen it before! **Register Today>**

56th Annual Family Practice Review

Feb 26 | 0800-1500 PST - Up to 5.25 Mainpro+ credits

Formerly known as the Annual Post Graduate Review

Course Webpage | Registration Form

Target audience: family physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, residents and students

UBC Care of the Elderly Virtual Conference

Feb 12 | 0800-1515 PST - Up to 6.0 Mainpro+/MOC Section 1 credits

Course Webpage | Registration Form

Target audience: Family physicians, geriatricians, nurse practitioners, residents and students

Team Up! Team-Based Primary & Community Care in Action Webinar

Feb 18 | 1200-1300 (poster)

Explore the impact of high-functioning teams on patient and provider satisfaction, retention and patient outcomes.

Registration Form available here...

Frailty Management in Primary Care, the CARES Model

Feb 16 | 1800-1900

How can you use frailty management in your practice to improve care for older adults? The <u>CARES Model</u> is a tool that aims to provide Community Actions and Resources Empowering Seniors.

Click here for more info and to register...

PROVINCIAL INITIATIVES

BC Family Physician of the Year Award

It's that time of year! Do you know an amazing family physician who inspires others, exemplifies great care, or benefits their community? Celebrate them with a nomination for a BC College of Family Physicians (BCCFP) annual award by March 31, 2021. <u>Visit</u> the BCCFP website to nominate someone special...

RoadSafetyBC pauses age-based Driver Medical Examination Reports (DMERs)

Due to COVID-19, RoadsafetyBC has temporarily stopped issuing age-based DMERs (scheduled when a citizen turns 80 and every two years thereafter) effective Dec. 16, 2020. To ensure road safety, the following must still be completed:

- DMERs related to high-risk drivers in BC, regardless of age
- DMERs for commercial drivers
- Virtual care can be used to complete DMERs subject suitability

Click here for more information...

Share your input on Key Issues for Maternity Care in B.C.

Your input will help establish priorities for a Shared Care strategic plan in developing a Maternity Community of Practice. Health care providers can fill out **this short survey** (2-4 min) to include their thoughts. For background information, check out **Shared Care's Maternity Spread Network**.

Survey on Advance Care Planning in Primary Care

BC Centre for Palliative Care is conducting an online survey to explore perspectives of Primary Care Providers on Advance Care Planning. Click here to participate...

Research Examining the Stories of Pregnancy & Childbearing in Canada Today (RESPCCT Study)

A CIHR-funded national study on people's experiences of care during pregnancy and childbirth in Canada is seeking participants. Anyone currently pregnant or who has had

pregnancy or childbearing care in Canada in the last 10 years is welcome to participate. **Click here** to learn more and participate.







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