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Thompson Region Division of Family Practice website Check in regularly for upcoming events and information

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Holiday Social

Come and enjoy a special evening of food and friends at the Brownstone from 5:00-7:00pm on December 11th. We look forward to celebrating the holidays with you and a cup of cheer! Please RSVP to the Division office, 250-372-1621 today.

Recruitment/Locum Website

The Division website is ready for you to post your job opportunities and attract colleagues to Kamloops. Need a LOCUM? Hoping to take some time off? Planning to retire or find someone to take over a portion of your practice? The Thompson Region Division of Family Practice has a website where you can post your job opportunities and reach a global audience, possibly drawing new colleagues to our area! The website will be



advertised to all the family medicine residency programs in Canada in the next few weeks so post your jobs as soon as possible. Post your jobs before December 10th, and be entered into a draw for one of five \$50 gift cards on December 11th at the Division's Holiday Social.

Go to http://FamilyPracticeKamloopsArea.ca or contact the Division at 250-372-1621 for more information.

Associate and Community Call Group

With the help of the Divisions Dr. Rod McLaren is working on setting up a call group for GP's not affiliated with the traditional hospital call groups. This is basically for anyone who orders tests or with patients in residential care. Please watch for an upcoming email for more details or you can visit the website for more information here. Please contact Dr. McLaren at rodmclaren@shaw.ca if you have questions or would like to be included.

RIH Library Resources

If you would like to access RIH's Library Resources, here's how! Some new resources you may find useful are:

Anatomy & Physiology Online (Primal Pictures) Anatomy TV (Primal Pictures) Natural Medicines Database

If you need assistance, Lisa and the library staff are always available to help out!

Access to Psychiatry

Dr. Kurt Buller has put all of the information you need to access Psychiatry into one document and a letter to give you some tips. The information is now a part of the Divisions Forms Library Forum for your future reference.

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Submissions for the January newsletter must be provided to jcalibaba@divisionsbc.ca by January 7th, 2013

As always, please email the Division at trdofp@telus.net if you need more information on any particular topic or wish to volunteer for something, anything!

UpToDate Software Reminder

UpToDate is now available free of charge to our members from the Provincial Division. Please note that you will access the free subscription through your member portal instead of separately through the UpToDate website. You can get instructions on how to register and more details here. If you have already purchased UpToDate, you can also apply to be reimbursed.

Important Updates

Check out these important updates and more on the Division website.

The **Society of General Practitioners of BC** newsletter is available here.

The RIH MAC meeting minutes are available here.

Check out the **Provincial Division's** newsletter here.

Family Practice Medicine Residency Program

Dr. Willa Henry, Program Director, visited our site on November 26th along with Dr. Diana Chang, Expansion Director and the Program Manager, Melanie Pedersen. It was a successful day followed by a great turnout of our members to discuss the future of the Residency Program. Stay tuned!

Transitions in Care Project

The project is now underway. The project team is in the final stages of being established with initial meetings starting in December. The first focus for the team will be reviewing the current processes and conducting focus groups in order to identify and define the barriers in communication and information exchange during the discharge process. Watch for more information in the next newsletter!

Upcoming Events

It is extremely busy at the Division and we want you to stay up to date and involved in important events and meetings. Please check in often at the Division Home Page and on the "News and Events" tab for a listing of upcoming meetings and events!

MOU In Hospital Care

The deposit for this quarter has been received from the Ministry of Health. A cheque will be forthcoming in the next week for those physicians that continue to provide In Hospital Care.

Annual Sun Peaks Primary Care Conference

The Annual Sun Peaks Primary Care Conference is February 1st to 3rd, 2013. The Conference is jointly supported by our Thompson Region Division of Family Practice, the RIH CME Fund, IHA Community Mental Health, the Prince George Medical Society and the Northern Health Authority.

There will be speakers from Prince George and Kamloops, as well as from Powell River providing practical evidence-based information. There will be a great community building event with a dinner gala and dance on the Saturday night.

A special block of rooms have been reserved at the Delta Sun Peaks through Group Name: Primary Health Care Update. Click here for the registration information.

Community Care Tip of the Month

The Community Integration Health Services team provides us with a Tip of the Month.

This month they have updates in regards to Home Health (the new name for Home and Community Care), the Systems Working Group, and the PIECES training program. Visit the Division website to get all the details.