

# Heads Up

Keeping you informed on  
Division work & upcoming  
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## Clarifying Patient Medical Homes and Primary Care Networks

Doctors are telling the GPSC that the concepts of patient medical homes (PMHs) and primary care networks (PCNs) can be confusing. We understand that.

In simple terms, the patient medical home refers to the doctor's practice. It builds on what doctors are already doing and takes the practice to the next level where GPs can focus on diagnoses and longitudinal patient relationships. The physician is supported by teams and networks of care to provide the full spectrum of primary care needs that the patients within the practice need.

The primary care network refers to a clinical network of providers in a geographic area that responds to the primary care needs of the patients within the community, and provides clear linkages to more specialized care as needed. It includes GPs in PMHs along with allied health providers, health authority services and community health services.

## Request to Complete Electronic Results Distribution Forms

Physicians are reminded that Fraser Health Authority, Vancouver Coastal Health, Provincial Health Services Authority and Vancouver Island Health Authority are transitioning to an electronic results distribution system via Excelleris. Clinics that are still receiving paper copies of results should complete and return the change form to ensure there is no delay in receiving results. Forms will be mailed to physicians who have yet to complete the transition in late October. **Transition must take place before the end of December 2018.**

**For questions or additional information, please contact the [project team](#)**

## Important Changes to MRI Referral Process

Clinic Corner: MRI Referral Process forms have been added but are also accessible using [this link](#).  
Not yet subscribed? Send [Lori](#) an email and get connected!

### Did You Know...

[Pathways](#) offers training videos to assist you in the Specialist Referral process of your clinic. Videos cover login, the referral process and additional resources. This application is password protected, however available through your physician if a member of ADoFP. Once logged in, just choose the "You" tab, Training Videos.

### Upcoming Events

#### **Christmas Lunch**

**Dec 14, 2018**

Bow & Stem

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#### **Physician Fair**

Feb 7, 2019



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