



**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

Contact us:

- www.divisionsbc.ca/delta

Accessing the members-only portion of the website:
<https://www.divisionsbc.ca/provincial/home>

- **Member login: top right corner of the home page screen.**

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Milestones and Markers

- We are growing! Delta Division now has a dedicated phone line and will soon be occupying a temporary office location! If you wish to reach us by phone, simply dial 778-903-3582. We will soon be opening our donated temporary office space, and look forward to welcoming you to come visit us.
- This August, Delta Division welcomed Rebecca Smith as our new Executive Director. Having started with the Division on August 18th, Rebecca brings with her an extensive background in Not-for-Profit executive management, public relations, and a passion for healthcare both physical and mental.
- All the doctors in Delta are saddened by the passing of Dr Dale Magnussen. Dale embodied everything that rings true about being a Family Physician. He was a role model as a Doctor, father, friend, Christian and community leader. Our sympathies to all affected.
- Pathways is coming to Delta! Pathways is an online resource for physician referrals. Jim Park is Physician Lead for the Pathways project.
- South Delta is now 100% EMR! look forward to an EMR CME in the new year



SAVE THE DATE

October 4 – Seniors Expo – North Delta

October 22 – Engagement Event (Members and Community) 6pm Coast Tsawwassen Inn PLEASE RSVP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

November 5 - Annual General Meeting 6pm Coast Tsawwassen Inn

WE NEED YOU! HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Dr S Chuang & Dr M. O'Mahony enjoying our "Walk with your Doc" May 2014

WE NEED YOU: We are still soliciting survey responses both from Members and MOAs in order to support our GP 4 ME Initiative - Assessment and Planning stage. If you haven't already done so, please check your email and complete the survey now. Despite other estimates, it should only take about 30 minutes for our Members!

Pathways Leadership Committee: Seeking a member to join this committee to drive the Delta Division's adoption, design and roll-out of this exciting and innovative initiative. The commitment to this committee will be project specific and focused. As with all Delta Division Committees, it will be supported by our new Executive Director and support staff.

Delta Division Board of Directors: We are currently seeking members to form a **Board Nominating Committee** in order to facilitate a Board election at this year's Annual General Meeting. If you are interested in participating, please contact our Executive Director Rebecca Smith at

778-903-3582 or Rebecca.ddofp@gmail.com

Healthy citizens are the greatest asset any country can have.
~ Winston Churchill

Join us to plan the future!

Delta Hospital Long-range Planning Committee – seeking members to participate in our long-range planning for our hospital to ensure it remains an invaluable resource to our community. Please contact Rebecca if you are interested in participating.



Important Member Information

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"UpToDate" re-authentication extended to 90 days. UpToDate users will be prompted to re-verify by logging into the divisions portal and opening UpToDate every 90 days to confirm their affiliation with the division. This can only be done on a computer – not your mobile devices.



Committee Updates:



Orthopaedic Committee

• There are concerns about quality of care and outcomes with the current orthopaedic services available to Delta Residents

• Delta has a continued relationship with Richmond Hospital Orthopaedics, with the hope that we have a part time orthopaedic surgeon in Delta and we have services at Delta Hospital

• feedback from FHA about the orthopaedic survey conducted by the division is that the survey produced compelling, robust data and FHA is committed

to provide an orthopaedic solution for Delta which would include outpatients services at Delta Hospital

Community Care Committee:

• realignment of Home Care services is in the forefront. The division will be involved

• the division will be sponsoring a long-range plan for Delta Hospital

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

~Helen Keller

More Committee Updates:

Recruitment & Retention Committee:

• We were able to recruit four new physicians to Delta this past year

• Building capacity within practices and also promoting the importance of attaching patients to GPs is a priority as we move forward with A GP for Me

Mental Health Committee:

• results of a division survey confirms that Mental Health and Addictions are a top priority

- o acute psychiatric evaluation is the most needed service

- Psychiatrist in Delta:
 - o Dr.

Jay Padmanabhan has recently joined FHA Delta Mental Health team

§ referrals are made through Delta Mental Health

- o Dr. Sara Junaid sees youth patients from age 12 up to young adult- primarily anxiety, depression. She is also available for telephone consults.

§ [604-948-0277](tel:604-948-0277)

GP For Me Steering Committee Update:

- we will be submitting our Implementation Plan proposal in February 2015.
- **Primary Research:** The GP/MOA surveys are needed in order to demonstrate our Division's commitment to this program initiative. Other surveys: community survey; a focus group with mental health leaders; allied health care leaders were interviewed to better understand how the services they offer could better articulate with GP services.
- **Engagement Events:** On July 23 we hosted two engagement events: one targeting community representation and the other GPs/MOAs. The focus was on sharing research findings to date and understanding how this resonated with attendees