

BC College of Family Physicians Board Summary – May 2011



Dear Colleague,

The Board of the BC College of Family Physicians met recently where the following items were reviewed:

- **Pharmacist Medication Management Project** – the program is underway, with an [information guide](#) for pharmacists posted April 1. The BCCFP and SGP continue to seek more information on the utilisation of this project, its impact on practice and plans for additional funds within the Health Ministry's proposed allocation to pharmacists.
- Continued work is occurring with the Rural Coordination Centre to develop and disseminate an **electronic calendar of all Mainpro approved CME events**.
- The **Practice Survival Skills conference sponsored by the BCCFP** included an opportunity to provide reduced rates to BCCFP members and UBC family medicine residents.

Updates were received from Representatives:

- The computer-based CCFP exam has worked well. **Harmonisation of MCCQE II and the CCFP exams** will commence in 2013
- CFPC Research and Education Foundation (REF): The 'Walk for the Docs' event at FMF 2010, in Vancouver, **raised over \$30,000 for support of medical students**. A new representative from BC to the REF Board will be nominated. Our thanks to Dr Patricia Mirwaldt for her service in this role
- UBC Family Practice reports that **34% of UBC medical students choose Family Medicine** as their first choice in the 2011 match (30% in 2010)
- The chapter has been asked by UBC FP to consider developing a **research scholarship for practicing family physicians**. This will be considered in the context of the Board's review of its Strategic Plan
- The SGP reports that they are providing **billing education to Divisions of Family Practice**

Other discussion:

- A **draft budget for 2011/2012** was presented and passed by the Board.
- Numerous questions have been raised by members, and by Board members, regarding the role of **SIMARD MD**. A meeting is planned with representatives of SIMARD and of the OSMV (Office of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles) to discuss these issues. Members will be provided with updates and clarifications to the best of our ability.
- It has been 4 years since our last **Strategic Planning session**. With the rapidly changing face of family medicine in BC, and on the heels of a day-long review in conjunction with the recent CFPC Board meeting, a strategic planning retreat is planned for this fall.

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- Dr Andrew Clarke, of the Physician Health Program, presented to the Board. In particular he addressed the development of new **Mainpro C eligible modules on Physician Health**. The Board would like to promote these modules.
- The **2011 Annual Scientific Assembly (ASA)** planning is complete. Please join us at in **Vancouver, October 15 and 16, at the Hyatt Regency**. View the [Preliminary Program](#).
- Board members split into 3 groups to **brainstorm on CME, Membership Benefits and Mentorship**. The resulting ideas will be used for future planning.
- **Please let us know your concerns** – especially regarding the impact in your practice of changes to the Pharmacists' Medication Management Project or OSMV changes – office@bccfp.bc.ca



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