



## e-Newsletter - Issue 12

Welcome to the **BCCFP e-Newsletter**.

A number of important issues are presented for your information. Contact [office@bccfp.bc.ca](mailto:office@bccfp.bc.ca) if you have any concerns affecting family practice in BC - each note will receive a reply!

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## ALSO Course Dates Vancouver and Victoria

The **Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics (ALSO)** course is an intensive two day course designed to help standardize and improve training in obstetrical emergencies and to provide a review of the emergencies associated with pregnancy and delivery.

**July 23-24 (Vancouver)**

**August 20-21 (Victoria)**

**September 10-11 (Vancouver) - FULL**

This course is taught by BC Family Physicians and meets the accreditation criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been accredited for 8 MAINPRO-C credits.

Download the [registration form](#).

## Patient Centred Primary Care: Bring It on Home Discussion Paper



### President's Report

President's Report  
Learn what's happening at your provincial College and National board meetings

[Read the report](#)

### Research Education Fund

BCCFP members have provided funding to help further Family Medicine research.

[Funded Research Projects](#)

Need funding?  
The next application deadline is May 31, 2010

[Application](#)

### Board Representation

Some of our board member terms are about to expire. Join us and make a

The College of Family Physicians of Canada recommends the introduction of the medical home concept for the people of Canada; incorporating the strengths of medical home models elsewhere in the world with the primary care renewal experiences currently unfolding across Canada.

Read the [discussion paper](#).

The BC College of Family Physicians advocates for the central role of the family physician in primary care. Check out our [Advocacy](#) section.

## Dinner with Docs

### Promoting Family Medicine to Med Students

The 3rd annual **BCCFP Dinner with Docs** brought together over 60 UBC medical students and enthusiastic family physicians.

Each physician hosted a table at the Medical Student Alumni Centre. Conversation on the joys of Family Medicine, focused practices and how the profession fits into their family life and why Family Medicine may be the right career choice.

Thank you to **Drs. Lisa Gaede, Nirvair Levitt, Wilson Mahrin, Unjali Malhotra, Janet Ip, Jason Kason, Tanya Fairweather, Jim Thorsteinson, Rosanna Lima** and **Blanka Jurenka** for participating.

Read the feedback in our [Family Medicine Interest Group section](#).

A similar event was also held in Victoria for the second year in a row, with Drs. Fiona Manning, Frank Egan, Fil Edora and Jay Aiken sharing host duties. Look for the event to be coming to Prince George soon.

## Women-centred Approach to Cervical Cancer Screening

### Online Educational Video

A new educational video about cervical cancer screening is now available for all physicians, residents, medical students and other health professionals who perform Pap tests in BC.

The online video covers both the technical aspects of preparing a quality sample for the lab and how to respectfully interact with women of various backgrounds. Women and health professionals share approaches for making the experience more comfortable for women.

The BC Cancer Agency Cervical Cancer Screening Program and BC Women's Hospital and Health Centre produced the video and the BCCFP reviewed the content.

difference in how the BCCFP represents you

### Vacancies

Vancouver/Richmond

Vancouver Island Health Authority Central/North

Fraser Health Authority North

Fraser Health Authority South

Northern Health Authority Northwest

Northern Health Authority Interior

Northern Health Authority Northeast

### Issues and Concerns?

This newsletter is an opportunity for you to let us know your concerns, ideas and thoughts about our profession and your District.

Send a note to [office@bccfp.bc.ca](mailto:office@bccfp.bc.ca) - short or long - and we'll reply to every response. Looking to hear from you!

- The Newsletter?
- Health Policy Issues?
- Health System Concerns?
- College Issues?

To view the video, [click here](#):

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## Canadian Family Practice Nurse Association Representation at FMF

Family practice nurses are a key resource to you and your patients. With Family Medicine Forum in Vancouver this fall, the Canadian Family Practice Nurses Association (CFPNA) would like to find BC nurses who would attend and help show the association's colours. Perhaps a nurse in your practice would be interested in this organization?

Contact Ann Alsaffar, CFPNA President  
([annalsaffar@hotmail.com](mailto:annalsaffar@hotmail.com)) for more information.

## National Environmental Health Committee Representation

The College of Family Physicians of Canada is seeking a BC family physician to join the [CFPC Environmental Health Committee](#).

If you would be interested or are involved in this area, please let us know of your interest and any past activities you may have had focusing on environmental health. Participation involves about 2 national meetings per year (funded), some online communication and a report to the BCCFP Board (need not to be done in person). Contact [office@bccfp.bc.ca](mailto:office@bccfp.bc.ca).

## 2010 National Physician Survey Complete the Survey

The National Physician Survey (NPS) is more than a survey of physicians, residents and medical students in Canada; it is a powerful source of information that helps us better understand the reality of today's physician workforce, identify emerging issues and put them on the public agenda.

Data from the National Physician Survey is a powerful resource that medical associations, governments and advocacy groups can use to inform health policies and legislation. By completing your survey questionnaire, you can help ensure important decisions are informed decisions.

For data from the previous editions and for more information on the 2010 edition, visit [www.nationalphysiciansurvey.ca](http://www.nationalphysiciansurvey.ca).

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