

The Joint Collaborative Committees (JCC) Co-Chairs Committee meetings provide a forum for cross-committee discussion, to promote strategic alignment with JCC Principles, advance core committee mandates and to provide oversight, direction and create alignment on shared initiatives.

Through leadership from each organization (Doctors of BC and the Ministry of Health), the Physician Services Committee (PSC) provides guidance, monitors the activities, and oversees the work of the JCCs.

The PSC and Doctors of BC Board approved 3 year JCC Aligned Strategic Plan has identified the following focus areas (pillars): (1) Align JCC processes and create capacity to address emerging issues; (2) Align JCC Physician Leadership offerings across the committees; (3) Alignment of Priority Populations; and (4) Implement a cross JCC measures system across the committees.

History of the JCCs and the Role of PSC

The JCC co-chairs welcomed new Doctors of BC CEO, Anthony Knight and provided him with the history of the JCCs and the role of the Physician Services Committee (PSC).

Physician Health Program

Guests Tom Rapanakis, Vice President, Physician Health Program (PHP), and Felicia Phan, Physician Health and Wellness Liaison, presented an overview of the Physician Peer Support Initiative (PSI) which is jointly funded by the JCCs and PHP.

Studies have shown that peer support for physicians is effective in contributing to a culture where physicians feel more comfortable seeking and offering help. People who use peer support show improved coping and self-management skills, have stronger social networks, reduced isolation and a reduced need for more intensive services.

The joint funding enables PHP to provide a one-time program start-up fund to support 16 physician organizations in developing local peer support programs.

JCC Representative for BC-PIP

Dr Alan Ruddiman confirmed that his term as co-chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Rural Issues (JSC) is coming to an end.

With his departure, Dr Ruddiman will also step down from the BC Physician Integration Program (BC-PIP) Advisory Committee, where he fills the role of co-chair and JCC representative. A discussion was held to consider an individual to replace Dr Ruddiman in this role by June 2023.

2023 JCC Pre-Forum

Rachel Nolte-Laird, Manager, JCC Measurement and Planning, was joined by JCC Pre-Forum Steering Committee Specialist Representative, Dr Reena Khurana, to share an update on the 2023 JCC Pre-Forum, titled '*Collaborative Compassion: The Power of Connectedness*'.

Keynote speakers will include Dr Susan Biali Hass, who will discuss resilience and mental health, and Dr James Makokis, a two-spirit doctor from Alberta, who will present on cultural safety and compassion for marginalized communities.

At the request of the JCC Pre-Forum Steering Committee, the JCC co-chairs were invited to participate in a 45-minute Q&A plenary session at the event, which the co-chairs approved.

JCC staff will work with the JCC co-chairs to develop a framework and content for the session.

Indigenous Specific Anti-Racism and Cultural Safety

Updates on the key activities by the JCCs to proactively address Indigenous Specific Anti-Racism (ISAR) were shared, and proposed initiatives for the JCC Indigenous cultural safety and humility (ICSH) 2023-24 workplan were presented. The work will focus on acknowledging truth and reconciliation and supporting physicians with learning opportunities to advance cultural safety such as webinars and longhouse sessions.

Recent activities included an art piece created by Rain Pierre, which has been distributed to over 2,000 medical practices and continues to be distributed to physicians upon request.

The JCCs co-hosted alongside Snuneymuxw, Kwantlen, and Sts'Ailes communities, three longhouse experiential learning sessions. Facilitated by Len Pierre Consulting, these impactful experiential sessions allowed physicians to learn local cultural protocols, feast together and experience an exercise-based approach to understanding residential school trauma.

Additionally, a five-part cultural safety webinar series has been offered and facilitated by Harley Eagle and variety of guests.

JCC Measures

Rachel Nolte-Laird updated the committee on the progress made to implement the JCC measures.

The goal of the initiative is to develop, capture, and utilize key performance information to determine the extent to which JCC initiatives are meeting outcomes and to guide the implementation and improvement of all JCC activities.

Introduction: Dr Devin Harris & Christina Krause, BCPSQC

Guests Dr Devin Harris, council chair and Christina Krause, CEO, presented an overview on the BC Patient Safety Quality Council (BCPSQC), including the organization's strategic purpose, mandate, and the collaborative relationship with the JCCs.

The Council focuses on providing support and advice to improve the quality of healthcare delivery across the province and holds a neutral position within health authorities and across other provincial jurisdictions, leveraging their strength of bringing people together.

They also play a role in clinical leadership and improving the sustainability of healthcare quality improvement.

The Council emphasized the importance that the JCCs have in healthcare and quality of care and would like to further explore opportunities to improve and utilize their collaborative partnership.

It was agreed that regular connection between BCPSQC and the JCCs should occur.

Draft 2023-24 JCC Co-Chair Workplan

Margaret English presented the draft 2023-24 JCC Co-Chair Aligned Workplan and Budget for approval.

The direction from the Physician Services Committee (PSC) is to reduce JCC silos and transition to a collaborative aligned approach. At the PSC's request in 2020, a JCC strategically aligned plan was developed, to identify a coordinated vision for the JCCs going forward, and to focus on the alignment of existing JCC activities.

The JCC aligned strategic plan details four alignment priorities:

- Align JCC processes (IT solutions, physician funding, administrative processes).
- Align JCC physician leadership development opportunities across the committees.
- Align committee quality improvement activities for adult mental health maternity and complex care.
- Implement a JCC measures system across the committees.

Due to emerging priorities, ratification of the PMA, and pending committee discussions regarding the JCC co-chairs 2023-24 workplan and budget, a request will be made to the Physician Services Committee (PSC) for an additional extension of the submission deadline for all JCC workplans and budgets.