



****NEW** Medical Staff Forum – December 6th 7:30 - 8:30 am**

In response to medical leader feedback, we have combined the Medical Staff and Medical Leader Town Halls into one Medical Staff Forum for increased ease and relevance for medical staff.

On December 6th from 7:30 to 8:30 am, we are pleased to launch our first Medical Staff Forum, hosted by Dr. Ben Williams VP, Medicine, Quality and Chief Medical Executive.

Dr. Williams will provide organizational updates on the IHealth activation, Public Health and the various integrated support models that are emerging at Island Health and the impact they will have on medical staff.

Forum Agenda:

- **IHealth**
- **Public Health**
- **New Integrated Team Support, including:**
 - Associate Physicians
 - Physician Assistants
 - Clinical Associates

An invite will be sent shortly from MedStaffCommunications@islandhealth.ca



Workload Funding (WLF)

A reminder that Workload Funding is available for physicians providing services to Island Health through a Service Contract or Salary Agreement who are experiencing significant and sustained growth in their workload and are seeking funding to hire additional physician resources.

Important WLF updates:

- 2023 / 2024 notional approvals will be circulated shortly. If you have submitted an application earlier this year and have questions, please contact physiciancontracts@islandhealth.ca.
- 2023 / 2024 Workload Funding packages will be distributed for existing services (not new services or expansion of services or new APP contract). If you have questions about eligibility or the application process, please contact sarahporter@islandhealth.ca Deadline for submissions is December 22nd

South Island Tertiary IHealth Activation of CPOE is Rescheduled From February - March To April - May 2024

The Feb -March 2024 activation of electronic ordering (Computerized Provider Order Entry, or CPOE) at RJH, VGH, Gorge Road Hospital and South Island Surgical Centre is being rescheduled to April-May 2024. Click [here](#) for more detail from the IHealth team.



Please join us in welcoming the following new Medical Leaders. We are thrilled to have you on board!

Astrid Fritzsche - Medical Lead, Urgent Antenatal Primary Care Response

Dr. Chloe Lemire - Elmore - Co-Medical Director & Chief of Staff for VGH

UPCOMING EVENTS & EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Choosing Wisely at Island Health 4th Annual Virtual Symposium is tomorrow!

There is still time to register for our 4th annual virtual symposium, “Choosing Wisely at Island Health: Simple steps to support sustainability”, on Friday, Nov 17, 2023. [Click here to register.](#)

Primary Care Grand Rounds – November 22, 2023

Dr. Leah MacDonald & Dr. William Cunningham are pleased to welcome guests to Primary Care Grand Rounds featuring Dr. Ramm Herring presenting live from the downtown Victoria Urgent and Primary Care Center on how to better support patients in recovery and how to help prevent alcohol relapse with individualized care. [Click here for event detail](#)

All upcoming events found on the

[Calendar of Events page](#)

If you wish to add an event to the medical staff calendar of events, please contact MedStaffCommunications@islandhealth.ca

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