

2022-23 List of Approved Projects Report - Island Health

Project Ref #	Project Title	Primary Specialty	Brief Description	Intended Outcomes	Program Sponsor	GP Co-Lead(s)	SP Co-Lead(s)	IAP2 Level	Approximate Start Date
1-2022	Accessing Community Health Services	Family Practice	Information sessions will take place to inform FPs of the expanded services of intake processes for CHS and Geriatric Specialty Services	FPs have streamlined access to Community Health Services in a timely and accessible way	Michelle Crosby	Dieter (Louis) de Bruin		Involve	01-10-2022
2-2022	ACP and Goals of Care Communications	Family Practice	PCPs have longitudinal relationships with their patients, and when those patients arrive in acute care there is info that could guide patient care but there is no clear chain of communication from Primary Care to Acute Care. This project aims to increase effective and efficient transfer of information.	Increased rate of availability of ACP and goals of care information from primary care in health authority EHR; increased rate of MOST supported by documented ACP and goals of care info; improved communication between community PC and HA clinicians	Jill Gerke		Rachel Carson	Involve	01-04-2022
3-2022	Caregiver Resilience and Experience	Geriatric Medicine	Caregiver burnout is linked to increased ED visits, hospital admissions, ALC days and LTC placements. This project aims to develop caregiver resiliency competencies through developing assessments, care planning and care delivery tools.	Define caregiver resiliency competencies and develop clinical tools and electronic documentation; develop Y2 and spread plan; inform inter-professional collaboration pathway; develop CVC caregiver management component and collaboration pathway	Doreh Mohsenzadeh		Elizabeth Drance	Collaborate	01-04-2022
4-2022	CDH Hospital Replacement	Multidisciplinary	Year 4. Consistent provider engagement is critical to the successful development of the new hospital opening in 2026.	Physician input into proponent design submissions, clinical area design; construction drawings, evaluation of layouts, operational recommendations, equipment and product types and finishes. Engagement with broader physician colleague groups.	Brad Manderville	Lawrence Gallagher		Collaborate	01-04-2022
5-2022	Choosing Wisely Level 2 Designation	Multidisciplinary	To achieve level 3 designation of Becoming a Choosing Wisely Hospital by Apr 2024.	Develop subject specific clinical measures relevant to physician identified potential projects; identify change ideas for improvement related to confirmed projects based on current state measures; physician champions will lead changes for improvement within their sphere of influence	Brandon Wagar		Adele Harrison	Empower	01-04-2022
6-2022	Clinical Governance Improvement Initiative (CGII)	Multidisciplinary	CGII aims to improve clinical governance HA wide, including program planning, clinical policy and practice standards development and implementation	Physician input on 1) current state and Gap assessment, and documentation; 2) top 5 risk-assessed recommendations for improvement with guiding principles; and 3) phased implementation and change plan	Sandy Bjola			Collaborate	01-04-2022
7-2022	Clinical Order Sets for Common Medical Conditions in Community, Rural and Remote	Multidisciplinary	To support Unit Doctors/DoD, ED and GIMs to develop COS that align with available resources and expertise in these settings. Existing COS highlight gaps in resources (e.g. lab and clinical pharmacy), making it challenging to adhere to standards	Identified barriers and facilitators to order set adoption; physician engagement in review of evidence-based care COS; developed Care Pathways; improved physician satisfaction	Jane Ho		Willie Pewarchuk	Collaborate	01-04-2022
8-2022	Comox Valley Fern Clinic	Family Practice	Develop a new work flow that incorporates new nurses and an OBGYN into a sustainable, virtual model of the Fern Clinic.	Co-design, implement and evaluate work flow process	Leanne Frechette	Sarah Olsen		Collaborate	01-04-2022
9-2022	Comox Valley Inpatient Care	Family Practice	To develop a new model of inpatient care that will improve the wellness of physicians, supporting multiple choices in how to practice, and strengthening collaboration between hospital and community	Design and implement a sustainable FP inpatient care model; increase provider satisfaction;	Leanne Frechette	Lissa Benson		Collaborate	01-04-2022
10-2022	Coordinating Early Care for Mental Health	Family Practice	FPs and MH clinicians will collaborate to create new/improved care pathways for people who struggle with MH issues earlier to decrease crisis that so often leads to hospital utilization.	Decreased risk of ED visits, acute care hospitalizations due to MH crisis; improved collaboration between physicians and staff; improved patient satisfaction	Michelle Crosby	Dieter (Louis) de Bruin		Collaborate	01-10-2022
11-2022	Cowichan Health and Care Plan	Multidisciplinary	To create a more connected network of care by developing a Seniors OP clinic for frailty assessment, develop workflows to identify frailty and palliative clients early, and build stronger workflows/communications	Collaborate new services in community; improved connection to Physician group; increased physician engagement; standardized patient care pathways and assessments; improved workflows	Emma James	Maki Ikemura		Collaborate	01-04-2022

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12-2022	Cultural Safety Curriculum Development	Family Practice	PCS, Cultural Safety Program and MAA will partner on the design/delivery of cultural safety and anti-racism education. Delivery will be informed by the tripartite Cultural Safety Committees, and in consultation with MNBC, DoFP, FNHA, and BCAAFC.	Increased capacity to address Indigenous specific racism thru collaborative development/delivery of cultural safety and anti-racism resources; increased ability to focus opportunities for physicians; recommended educational opportunities/resources	Sherry Gill			Involve	01-04-2022
13-2022	Delirium QI Project	Multidisciplinary	To gain a shared understanding of the current state of delirium care and engage in a benefits map to identify the drivers of poor uptake and/or shortcomings of existing tools/resources, and identify enablers to improve patient outcomes and experience.	Identify current improvement drivers and enablers; Identify and reduce barriers to use of delirium clinical order set; reduce inappropriate use of chemical and physical restraints; complete/ evaluate the pilot to inform the scale up to other sites	Doreh Mohsenzadeh	Savannah Forrester		Collaborate	01-04-2022
14-2022	Gastric Sleeve Extended Day Care Development	General Surgery	To provide same day discharge for eligible gastric sleeve patients, enabling them to go home earlier and reducing hospital LOS, and to prevent patient cxn due to acute care bed shortages during COVID and its recovery phase by increasing efficiencies.	Evaluate EDC clinical order sets and processes; engage other bariatric surgeons to support spread; review outcome measures and present to Island Health leadership to attain approval to move patients to SDC for recovery vs utilizing beds on 7S	Alison Dormuth		Samaad Malik	Empower	01-04-2022
15-2022	Health Emergency Management	Family Practice	HEMC and the DoFP will continue to collaborate on broadening physician understanding and preparedness for Emergnecy/Disaster response	Increase physician understanding of the disaster plan and physician understanding of their roles and responsibilities	Michelle Crosby	Alfredo Tura, Kerry Roberts, Kevin Garneau-Begin, Louis Dieter deBruin		Collaborate	01-04-2022
16-2022	Heart Failure Service Redesign	Cardiology	Support a population health approach to redesigning the heart failure service model, focusing in 2022-23 on developing the new service model and establishing requirements for change and new technologies to enable the program	Develop service model; develop strategy for population health approach; build business case; define, assess and identify technical enablers	Ryan Davis		Elizabeth Swiggum	Collaborate	01-04-2022
17-2022	Indigenous Specific Anti-Racism Strategy Development	Multidisciplinary	To deliver a 3-year Indigenous Specific Anti-Racism Strategy that enables systems to address and sustain anti-racism efforts and hardwire cultural safety and humility into its structures programs and services.	Increased physician awareness of existing and proposed standards; physician input on addressing racism and cultural safety & humility	Penny Cooper	Troy McLeod		Inform	01-04-2022
18-2022	MTW-Strathcona Corridor Strategic Partners	Family Practice	Bring together strategic partners from MTW/Strathcona area to confirm/identify improvement opportunities related to priorities, including communications/co-development, culturally safe care delivery and primary care delivery	Bring together strategic partners; confirm/identify improvement opportunities aligned with priorities; inform physicians about Primary Care direction and actions; improve provider satisfaction	Lesly Deuchar	Nicole Boutilier-Bennett		Collaborate	01-04-2022
19-2022	Nephrology Wokrflow in Renal Ambulatory Clinics	Nephrology	To improve renal program workflows and practices in ambulatory care focused on documentation and order sets. Regional approach (Kidney Care Clinics, Transplant Clinics, and Home Dialysis Clinics)	Identify variation in practice; create regional documentation and order sets; enhance regional collaboration	Robyne Maxwell		Alison Croome, Michael Schachter		01-04-2022
20-2022	NRGH EHR Curriculum Development	Multidisciplinary	Identify opportunities for ongoing engagement with physicians to support and optimize use of the ERH. Analyse physician workflow to maximize efficiency.	Identify preferred methods of ongoing education delivery; determine cadence of education; establish requirements and modality for delivery of education; determine optimal timeline to initiate engagement	Jane Ho	Andre de Wit		Collaborate	01-04-2022
21-2022	Parenteral Nutrition Process Redesign	Gastroenterology	PN is a high-alert medication. This project will establish a process to formalize interdisciplinary collaboration in order to align with regulatory requirements, and Island Health quality and safety policies.	Develop and implement PN ordering process; enhance interdisciplinary collaboration and access to physicians with PN expertise; reduce inappropriate use of PN; improved psychological well-being for RDs	Kristal Speed		Justin Shah	Collaborate	01-04-2022
22-2022	Perinatal Mental Health for Postpartum Moms	Family Practice	Peer facilitated perinatal support through the Pacific Society for Postpartum care. Y1 delineated gaps and barriers, and increased stakeholder awareness. Y2 will continue to engage with stakeholders, address sustainability, and explore spread options	Engage with Island Health leadership re positioning of program within Island Health; engage with stakeholders re ongoing operational funding; increase stakeholder awareness	Gillian Kozinka	Shana Johnston		Collaborate	01-04-2022

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23-2022	Pre-Surgical Screener	Anesthesiology	PSS is part of the Surgical Renewal Initiative, and aims to increase efficient/ effective use of pre-admission clinic resources and introduce longer lead time for pre-surgical patient optimization.	Verify/confirm patient-facing questions and summary output; verify PAC workflow; verify surgeon office workflow	Alison Dormuth	Sean Lougheed		Collaborate	01-04-2022
24-2022	Primary Care Memory Clinic	Geriatric Medicine	PCMCs support timely diagnosis and care planning for patients with memory loss and early dementia. Y1 focused on opening the clinics. Y2 focuses on workflows and efficiency improvements, and sustainability issues	Redesign clinic workflows; onboard and mentor one new physician in Nanaimo; evaluate program to determine success and set standards for expansion to additional sites.	Doreh Mohsenzadeh		Marilyn Malone	Collaborate	01-04-2022
25-2022	Primary Care Provider Governance Structure Implementation	Family Practice	To establish a comprehensive governance, professional oversight and decision-making framework to support physicians and NPs	Design and implementation plan; improved physician knowledge of professional oversight and governance structure; improved physician experience	Emma Isaac			Involve	00-01-1900
26-2022	Primary Care Strategy Implementation	Family Practice	To develop an integrated system of team-based primary care, including attachment to primary care providers and access to timely care to meet population and patient health care needs.	Operational procedure documents; referral pathways, service model recommendations; resources for integrating staff in private practice	Shaun Lorhan	Steve Goodchild		Involve	01-04-2022
27-2022	Regional Stroke Initiative	Neurology	The Regional Stroke Initiative has been enacted to improve hyper acute stroke care and access to care (imaging and stroke specialists)	Develop ED stroke pathways, EVT pathways, rapid AI and stroke alert/consult system, updated COS; admission pathways and timelines	Gillian Kozinka		Kristen Attwell-Pope	Collaborate	01-04-2022
28-2022	Respiratory Therapy in Community	Respirology	To implement a regional Respiratory Therapy in Community program.	Consultation on decisions, care model implementation, communication processes and team-based care; perspective/expertise on med. mgmnt, referrals, criteria, and flow; input on physician education, clinical documentation, care conferencing needs	0		John Reid	Collaborate	01-04-2022
29-2022	Schwartz Rounds Planning and Development	Multidisciplinary	Pilot Schwartz Rounds in 3 sites/program areas within 1 year. Rounds provide opportunities for staff to reflect and share the emotional/social aspects of care and service provision, and foster well-being, resiliency and compassion within the health system.	Physician guidance and input will increase likelihood that Rounds meet the needs of physicians; Physicians who participate will experience a reduction in isolation, and an increase in connection, communication and compassion.	Jana Archer	Derek Poteryko	Daisy Dulay	Collaborate	01-04-2022
30-2022	Sepsis QI SME Engagement	Emergency Medicine	To increase blood culture draws on patients presenting with sepsis to 100% by December 2022, through the development and implementation of standard sepsis physician order sets and nurse protocols for emergency department and inpatient medicine.	Bring together physicians from different departments; leverage clinical expertise to improve understanding of recognition and management of sepsis; use data to identify ongoing improvement opportunities to improve patient outcomes	Brandon Wagar		Adele Harrison	Collaborate	01-04-2022
31-2022	UMAC Service Plan Development	Internal Medicine'	Develop triage criteria and a service plan to ensure access to urgent care, and reduce ER utilization for complex patients	Develop mission statement; develop triage criteria and benchmarks for care delivery; reduce WLs with a review and a WL cleanup of routine cases; improve communications; develop reporting to support regular service reviews, and expansion planning	Kristal Speed		David Shanks, Laura Fraser, Vanja Petrovic, Raistlin Majere	Empower	01-04-2022
32-2022	Universal HIV Screening	Emergency Medicine	Pilot opt-out HIV testing to determine feasibility, acceptability, and effectiveness in alignment with Provincial HIV Testing Guidelines	Increase HIV testing to meet provincial guidelines; diagnose patients earlier; improve ED provider knowledge	Tara Fitzgerald	Matthew Moher		Collaborate	01-04-2022
33-2022	Virtual Case Conferencing	Family Practice	Establish a team-based virtual structure outlining a schedule to facilitate case conferencing for the most complex frail shared clients.	Improved share care of the most frail and complex clients; increased efficiencies and cost effectiveness of staff time	Michelle Crosby	Dieter (Louis) de Bruin		Collaborate	01-10-2022