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Cohort 5 (2020-2021)

Name	Specialty	Location	Project Aim
Philip Baker and Ryan Gallagher	Family Practice	Duncan	To reduce the average length of stay starting in a 4-bed hospital room on 3 West at Cowichan District Hospital by 0.5 days by June 2021 through improved team communication
Jennifer Barley	Psychiatry	Comox	To improve the triage process of outpatient psychiatry referrals to Comox Valley Outpatient Psychiatry so that 75% of referrals to the Collaborative Care Program are appropriate by June 2021
John Boldon	Emergency Medicine	Nanaimo	To meet the Heart and Stroke Foundation best practice guidelines for door to needle time (median 30 minutes) and door in door out time (median 60 minutes) for patients presenting to Nanaimo Regional Hospital Emergency with acute ischemic stroke with large vessel occlusion by September 2021
Valerie Ehasoo	Family Practice	Victoria	To improve access to care at the Victoria Youth Clinic for high-risk youth aged 12–24 by identifying follow-up visits routinely booked with a physician that could instead be seen by a clinical team member (nurse, counsellor or outreach worker) and use a team-based shared care approach to increase the availability of physician appointments spots by 10% by August 2021
Kyle Fisher	Anesthesiology/Pain Medicine	Victoria	To create an electronic health history form and Patient Reported Outcome Measurements (PROMs) for all new outpatient referrals and future follow-ups to the Royal Jubilee Hospital Chronic Pain Clinic and Nanaimo Regional General Hospital Chronic Pain Clinic by April 1, 2021
Deni Hawley	Family Practice	Comox	To increase the number of Westward Medical patients offered virtual collaborative care visits with a team of healthcare providers by 50% by July 1, 2021, by using a patient survey and automated invite process
Janka Hegedus	Neurology/Neuroscience	Victoria	To complete the CT head of at least 75% of eligible stroke patients at Victoria General Hospital within 10 minutes of arrival to the emergency room between the hours of 8am and 8pm on working days

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Shana Johnston	Family Practice/ Maternity	Victoria	To improve the mental health of 10 postpartum people on the South Island, demonstrated by showing a decrease of least 3 points in the Edinburgh Postpartum Depression Scale (EPDS) scores by the end of August 2021
Maria Kang	Pediatrics	Victoria	To ensure 100% of patients referred to a pediatrician at Grow Health for a developmental or behavioural assessment, ages 0-5 years, will have received a pre-survey link, the Roadmap, post-survey link after assessment within 6 months
Colin Landells	Orthopaedics	Victoria	To improve staff and clinician awareness of quality projects by 80% at RebalanceMD by September 2021
Laura MacKinnon	Addictions Medicine	Duncan	To reduce the amount of time between a patients' date of admission to the Cowichan District Hospital and the date of the consult by the Addiction Medicine Consult Service by 30%, by August 31, 2021
Randal Mason	Addictions Medicine	Victoria	To improve the process by which we collect health equity data for Indigenous patients presenting for care within the Western Communities Primary Care Network region by measuring engagement efforts, which is reflected by 50 Indigenous people providing feedback on the assessment tool by July 1, 2021
Stacey McDonald	Family Practice/ Long Term Care	Duncan	To reduce avoidable/unnecessary transfers from Sunridge and Cerwydden Long Term Care sites to the Cowichan District Hospital Emergency Department by 25% by June 30, 2021
Basia Siedlecki	Family Practice	Parksville	To reduce by 30% the number of re-admissions within 96 hours for unattached patients over 65, who present with cardiac, respiratory or orthopaedic complaints to Oceanside Urgent Care and were discharged to the community by June 2021
Emily Steeves and Pramod Swamy	Family Practice	Ladysmith	To reduce number of patients presenting to urgent care for prescription renewals by 50% at Ladysmith Urgent Care by June 2021

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Katrina Stockley	Pediatrics	Victoria	To decrease the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit length of stay by 20% at Victoria General Hospital for babies greater than 36 weeks gestational age exposed to opioids in utero by September 2021
Alastair Teale	Infectious Disease	Nanaimo	To review cases of inpatient gram-negative bacteremia at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital with the antibiotic stewardship team and aim for a greater than 90% acceptance of recommendations, 25% decrease in length of parenteral therapy and a 10% decrease in average length of stay for these patients over the 3-month period of the intervention in comparison
Elizabeth Wiley	Family Practice	Victoria	To increase access to urgent care with the Westshore Urgent and Primary Care Centre's clinical team by increasing the total number of patients served each month by 5% by June 2021 through integration of MyHealth Patient Portal secure messaging into clinical care delivery