

If you would like to provide leadership in the Vancouver Division of Family Practice...

... by helping set the direction and priorities for the Division, then consider being on the



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

... by actively supporting the implementation of specific Division activities, then consider being on a



COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE

Focus:

A *governance* role, meaning your focus is on the **overall health of the organization**, ensuring decisions (both strategic and financial) are made in the best interest of the Division and its members as a whole. Board decisions support the Division in fulfilling its mission and discharging its accountabilities.

An *operational* role, meaning your focus is on the **effective implementation** of the Division’s work. Standing committees and time-limited task forces recommend and implement projects, events and initiatives that contribute to meeting the Division’s strategic priorities.

Perspective:

Directors take a systems level perspective, and represent the best interests of the Division and its members as a whole.

Members bring specialized experience and interest to the area of healthcare that is the mandate of the committee or working group.

Time Commitment and Activities:

Majority of time is spent participating in and preparing for monthly board meetings (2-3 hours each) where the board considers topics to provide guidance and strategic direction for staff and committees. Annually the board reviews and updates the Division’s strategic priorities.

Majority of time is spent participating & preparing for regular committee meetings (monthly or 4 times a year) where planning and implementation work for events and initiatives take place. Members plan and implement events, develop websites or new physician resources, serve as physician leads on a particular initiative.

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COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE(Cont.)

Remuneration:

Board members receive an annual fixed amount for serving. Board members are expected to commit the necessary time required to fulfill their duties.

Members are paid the current sessional rate for the time they spend at committee meetings and in doing the work of the Division.

Doing the Work of the Division through Committees and Task Forces:

Board members can no longer engage in work at the committee or working group level. Activities must remain at the governance level.

However, as part of being an informed director, board members are expected to attend committee meetings in the capacity of a “board liaison”. The liaison function includes:

- Providing a governance perspective during discussions
- Being an additional voice ensuring committee activities and initiatives are connecting to the overall strategic priorities of the Division
- Gathering committee context to inform better governance decisions

This is the focus of this leadership opportunity. Availability to join a committee (or a working group of a committee) varies.

There are a number of areas that have committees or working groups, including:

- Continuity of care across the health system
- Equity, diversity and inclusion
- Membership engagement
- Mental health and addictions
- Primary Care Network development
- Primary maternity care
- Residential and frail elder care
- Resident and New-to-Practice membership engagement

Process to Get Involved:

Complete the nominations form (Part 5 of this document), which includes a candidate statement as well as two nominators, who are members in good standing. All applications received will undergo an initial review by the Vancouver Division’s Nominations Committee.

Opportunities to become a member of a committee or task force vary depending on available positions. If you are interested in committee or working group involvement, please contact the Division at vancouver@vancouverdivision.com or 604-569-2010.