

Deadline extended - feedback requested: Changes to NH Medical Staff Rules

The [Northern Health Medical Staff Rules](#) have been updated and we're looking for your feedback on the revisions. The changes were made following an extensive consultation with NH medical leadership and through discussions with the NH Medical Staff Review Committee. The major changes are highlighted with red text throughout the document. We encourage you to please review the revisions in the Medical Staff Rules and provide any feedback you may have. For more explanation on the changes and why they were made, please see the [briefing note](#).

Please provide your feedback by May 31, 2017 to:
physicians@northernhealth.ca

Maternity care training for GPs

The [General Practices Services Committee \(GPSC\)](#) offers maternity care training for family physicians in BC. The program, [Maternity Care for BC \(MC4BC\)](#), promotes, supports and trains BC family physicians to reconnect with low-risk maternity services through mentorship, hands-on experience, and financial support.

The training is designed for physicians who want to:

- include obstetrical care in their practice
- refresh their obstetrical care skills or training
- gain more obstetrical skills and experience.

For more information, please see the [MC4BC website](#).

CAMAP Medical Assistance in Dying Conference – June 2-3, 2017

The [Canadian Association of MAiD Assessors and Providers \(CAMAP\)](#), invites you to participate in the inaugural conference on [Medical Assistance in Dying, MAiD2017](#), June 2-3 in Victoria BC. MAiD2017 has been designed with the assessors and prescribers in mind. A year after the law has changed, how can you provide the best standard of practice in this field? What's happening across the country, what has worked, what obstacles remain, and how can we support each other?

This CME-accredited conference provides an opportunity for testing and a certificate for those wishing to be MAiD assessors and/or prescribers. It's designed to support your application for non-core privileges in MAiD.

To [register](#), and for more information, please visit the [MAiD2017 conference website](#).

Doctors of BC Health Authority Engagement Survey

Northern Health would like to encourage all specialist and family physicians to participate in the [Doctors of BC](#) 2017 Health Authority Engagement Survey. The survey seeks your input regarding your engagement and interaction with the health authority in which you work. Your feedback will help Doctors of BC shape programs and policies to support you in your work with your health authority.

You would have received an email on April 1st or 2nd from [Accreditation Canada](#), the organization conducting the survey on behalf of Doctors of BC, inviting you to participate. Completing the survey should take no more than 10 minutes, is completely anonymous and confidential, and contains the same questions as last year's Doctors of BC member survey in order to track progress. After completing the survey you'll be able to enter to win one of two [Microsoft Surface Pros](#). **The deadline to submit your completed survey is midnight, April 23rd, 2017.**

If you didn't receive the email survey from Accreditation Canada, please contact:

support@accreditation.ca

1-866-333-3346.

Join the 2017 Quality Conference in Prince George, Terrace, Fort St. John, or at your personal computer!

Registration is now open for the [2017 NH Quality Conference](#) on May 31. This year's theme is "Quality Lives Here." Presentations will be live-streamed from Prince George. The Fort St. John and Terrace sites will have moderators in the room to set up the live stream and facilitate group discussion and participation in conference activities. If you're outside Prince George, Fort St. John or Terrace, you can participate on your personal computer. We encourage you to get together with colleagues in your community, find a room at your site and take part in the conference together.

Times and site capacity:

- Prince George: 8:30am-4:30pm (capacity: 120)
- Fort St. John: 8:30am-2:30pm (capacity: 20)
- Terrace: 8:30am-2:30pm (capacity: 20)
- Personal computer: 8:30am-2:30pm

Contact: Jaclyn.Sawtell@northernhealth.ca

[Register](#) today! More information is on the [conference webpage](#) on OurNH (to view the page you must be on an NH network or log in using your NH username and password).

Northern Health's Indigenous Health program launches new resources and review successes

This month, Indigenous Health (formerly Aboriginal Health) launched a short animated [video](#) introducing cultural safety and related concepts. It invites health care providers to participate in making the health care system culturally safe for Indigenous people and families. They also released an accompanying [booklet](#) with the same title: "Cultural Safety: Respect and Dignity in Relationships".

In addition, Indigenous Health launched a new website, www.indigenoushealthnh.ca. They built this site as a resource and place of engagement for Northern Health leaders and staff, as well as for Indigenous community members and organizations. The new website offers a new interactive [map](#) as a one-stop destination for locations and contact information for Indigenous communities and health centres, friendship centres, and Métis associations in northern BC. The map provides a glimpse into the past that still resonates across landscapes and in communities by including the location of five former residential schools. It also provides location and contacts for Aboriginal Patient Liaisons and Northern Health Aboriginal Health Improvement Committees.

For more information, please see the [news article](#) on northernhealth.ca.

Hands-on ultrasound skills course offered in Prince George May 11

[RCCbc](#) and [UBC CPD](#) are offering a hands-on ultrasound for trauma skills enhancement course in Prince George on May 11. Health care professionals that are interested in the full day of [HOUSE: Ultrasound for Trauma](#) will not need to register for the [BC Rural Health Conference](#) in order to participate in the course. Practitioners wishing to enroll in the HOUSE intensive workshops will need to [register](#) for the first day of the BC Rural Health Conference (Friday, May 12) in order to participate.

For more information on the courses and how to register, please see the [information sheet](#).

SSC Physician Quality Improvement Newsletter for April

The [physician quality improvement](#) team has released their first [monthly newsletter](#). It provides an update on this collaborative initiative and how the new team is working to support physician quality improvement.

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