

February 2017 Physician Monthly Messages

Nominate Someone for a Charles Jago Award Today

Northern Health has now launched the Dr. Charles Jago Awards. They're named after <u>Northern Health's</u> <u>Board Chair</u>, Dr. Charles Jago, who truly lives the values of the North and of Northern Health.

These awards will recognize individuals and teams that have made outstanding contributions to the achievement of organizational goals, reflecting NH's values (empathy, respect, collaboration, and innovation) in the process.

Nominate someone today!

- The deadline is February 28, 2017
- You can nominate people for initiatives that happened in the last two calendar years.

(Note: Your browser's PDF viewer may not display the 'Fillable PDF' form. If this happens, download and save the PDF to your desktop and open it in Adobe Acrobat Reader).

Winners will be notified in early March and will be invited to attend a ceremony celebrating their work at NH's Spring Leadership Forum (April 5 and 6, 2017).

Please note: To access the nomination link on OurNH, you must use login using your Northern Health username and password.

Feedback Requested: Pediatric Eating Disorders Unstable Medical Admissions Order Set

A new <u>DRAFT order set</u> and supporting <u>resource package</u> has been developed by a Northern Health working group with representation from Inpatient Pediatric Services, Northern Regional Eating Disorders Clinic, Inpatient Dietitians, and Pediatric Pharmacy.

The order set and resource package address Northern Health's regional plan towards providing clear and concise assessment, admission and treatment tools for designated secondary and rural hospitals for eating disorder services. The resource package will help physicians with screening and early intervention for pediatric eating disorders.

We need your feedback on the <u>DRAFT order set</u> and the supplementary <u>resource package</u> so we can finalize and implement them across Northern Health.

Please provide your feedback by February 24, 2017 to:

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Survey on Medical Assistance in Dying

Northern Health has released a <u>memo</u> and a <u>survey</u> to all physicians regarding additional information on Medical Assistance in Dying.

So we can help patients and their practitioners access medical assistance in dying, Northern Health needs to know which practitioners are willing to be involved in the assessment of eligibility criteria (Physician Assessor) and which physicians are willing to prescribe and provide the medical assistance in dying (Physician Prescriber).

A physician survey distributed in May 2016 determined that there were twenty- five physicians willing to participate either as an assessor or as a prescriber. The location of participating physicians is unevenly geographically distributed, and access to care is therefore a significant issue. Northern Health would like to update the list of participating physicians. This information would not be shared without the practitioner's permission.

If you wish to be added to the list of participating physicians, please complete the <u>survey</u> and submit to:

maid@northernhealth.ca

Fax: 250-565-2640

Questions may also be directed to:
Dr. Daphne Hart, Northern Health MAiD Physician Lead
250-847-1192
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Plan G Coverage for Methadose and Suboxone

Effective February 1, 2017, PharmaCare is covering Methadose for maintenance and buprenorphine/naloxone under its Psychiatric Medications Plan (Plan G). By covering these drugs under Plan G, 100% PharmaCare coverage may be available to more individuals with lower incomes.

For more information, please refer to the links below:

- Coverage of Methadose and Buprenorphine/Naloxone under Plan G
- News release: BC expands access to recovery supports to combat overdose crisis

PharmaCare will be sending a letter explaining the changes to all mental health and substance use centres.



JCC Interactive Day – Simplifying the Journey

The <u>Joint Collaborative Committees</u> (JCCs) have partnered with the <u>BCPSQC's Quality Forum</u> March 2 and 3 for a <u>pre-forum day</u> of interactive workshops on March 1, 2017, with a focus on "Simplifying the Journey". This pre-forum day is approved for up to **6.0 MOC Section 1 and 6.0 Mainpro+ study credits**.

The JCC will provide support for registration, travel and accommodation for the three full days to any practicing physician wishing to attend. You can <u>register online</u> through the Quality Forum registration page.

To receive your complimentary registration code, please contact: JCC@doctorsofbc.ca

New CPSBC Policy for English Language Proficiency

The <u>College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC</u>'s Board passed a <u>new English Language Proficiency policy</u> effective January 25, 2017. For more information, please refer to the updated requirements listed on the college website.

Contact:

registration@cpsbc.ca

Updated Cardiac Documents and Available Patient Education

The <u>BC cardiac catheterization referral form</u> has been updated and is now available for inpatients and outpatients. On the second page of the referral form, there are details on the inpatient transfer process through the NH Cardiac Triage Coordinator. The TIMI score and GRACE score are also included on the second page of the referral form for the physician consult to assist with risk stratification. You can order the form through <u>Northern Health Document Source</u> (document # CARDIAC-001).

A new <u>outpatient cardiac catheterization preparation booklet</u> and <u>inpatient cardiac catheterization</u> <u>preparation booklet</u> for NH patients are now available to ensure patients are prepared for cardiac procedures and for going home. These booklets can be ordered through <u>Northern Health Document Source</u> (outpatient prep document # 10-005-6005, inpatient prep document # 10-005-6002).

Contact:

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