

Medical Leads for Clinical Programs



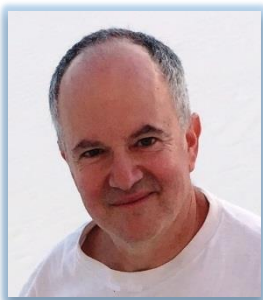
Medical Lead Laboratory Services

Dr. Kamran H. Azar

Dr. Azar is a Pathologist practicing in Fort St. John. He completed his medical degree at Memorial University of Newfoundland in St. John's and took his residency of anatomical pathology at McGill University in Montreal. Dr. Azar has also been involved in one-on-one and group teaching activities including didactic lectures with medical students (Y-3 ICC) and family medicine residents at Fort St. John hospital at the rank of Clinical Instructor of Faculty of Medicine at University of British Columbia.

The Medical Lead, Laboratory Services co-leads with the Regional Director, Diagnostic Services, Ken Winnig, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff in the delivery of laboratory services in areas such as:

- Developing an integrated and coordinated laboratory services for Northern Health
- Developing physician engagement strategies that ensure physician involvement and consultation in program planning and implementation
- Involvement in relevant initiatives of the BC Clinical Support Society, Ministry of Health, and Northern Health



Medical Lead Child and Youth Health Services

Dr. William Abelson

Dr. Abelson obtained his medical degree at the University of Toronto and has been a Pediatrician in Prince George since 1993. In addition to clinical pediatrics, Dr. Abelson has had an active teaching role with the Family Practice Residency Program and has been involved with the Northern Medical Program since its inception. Other responsibilities include: President of the BC Chapter for the American Academy of Pediatrics, board member of the BC Pediatric Society, member of the Child Health BC Steering Committee, and member of the Council of the Society of Specialist Physicians and Surgeons of BC.

The Medical Lead, Child and Youth Health co-leads with the Executive Lead, Child and Youth Health, Jennifer Begg, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders, professional staff and other relevant non-health child and youth services to provide leadership and support for the development of an integrated and coordinated child and youth health program within Northern Health.

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Medical Lead Medical Imaging

Dr. Shyr Chui

Dr. Chui is a radiologist practicing in Prince George. He and his family moved to Prince George from the United Kingdom in 2008. He obtained his medical degree at the University of Oxford and took his radiology residency at Guys and St. Thomas' Hospital, London. Until recently, he was head of Medical Imaging at UHNBC. Past responsibilities include: Honorary Associate Clinical Professor and

University of Warwick and Consultant on the NHS National Service Improvement Team (Radiology).

The Medical Lead, Medical Imaging co-leads with the Regional Director, Diagnostic Services, Ken Winnig, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff providing medical leadership in diagnostic imaging such as:

- planning for medical imaging practice excellence, performance measurement, and continuous improvement across all modalities of medical imaging, and
- providing oversight for implementation of the Diagnostic Accreditation Program and Health Canada standards.



Medical Lead Surgical Services

Dr. Guy Paterson

Dr. Paterson is a Urologist at the University Hospital of Northern BC (UHNBC) and currently is the Department Head of Surgery in the Northern Interior. Dr. Paterson graduated with a BSC in medical sciences and a medical degree from University of Alberta.

The Medical Lead, Surgical Services co-leads with the Executive Lead, Surgery Program, Shelley Hatcher, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff to provide leadership and support for the alignment of the surgical services program. Dr. Paterson will be responsible for the change management necessary to improve the quality of surgical services in the North.

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Medical Lead Addictions and Harm Reduction

Dr. Gerrard Prigmore

Dr. Prigmore is a General Practitioner at the University Hospital of Northern BC (UHNBC). Dr. Prigmore graduated with a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery with distinction in Community Medicine from the University of Wales, College of Medicine, UK. He has been a Diplomat of the American Board of Addiction Medicine since 2011, and is a recent Fellow American Society of Addiction Medicine.

The Medical Lead, Addictions and Harm Reduction co-leads with the Executive Lead, Mental Health and Addictions, Michelle Lawrence, and works collaboratively with physician leaders and professional staff to provide leadership and support to improve the quality of addiction and harm reduction services in Northern BC.



Medical Lead NH ER and Trauma Services Program

Dr. Patrick Rowe

Dr. Rowe is an Emergency Physician at the University Hospital of Northern BC (UHNBC) and is currently the Department Head of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Rowe graduated with a BSC in medical sciences and a medical degree from the University of British Columbia (UBC).

The Medical Lead, ER and Trauma Services co-leads with the Executive Lead, ER and Trauma Services, Jordan Oliver, and works in collaboration with other physician leaders, and professional staff to provide leadership and support for the alignment of the ER and trauma services program. Dr. Rowe will be responsible for the change management necessary to improve the quality of emergency and trauma services in the north.

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Medical Lead Primary Care

Dr. Paul Murray

Dr. Murray is currently a General Practitioner in Prince George and has lived in Prince George since 1987. He obtained his medical degree at the University College of Dublin and did his family practice residency training in Northern Ireland. His other responsibilities include Care North Committee member and physician leader for the Practice Support Program in Northern Health. He is a founding committee member of the After Hours Clinic in Prince George, the Northern Medical Society and the Prince George Division of Family Practice.

The Medical Lead, Primary Care co-leads with the Executive Lead, Primary Care Pam Mulroy and works collaboratively with other physicians and professional staff providing leadership and support to regional planning, service integration, implementation and evaluation of primary health care services in Northern B.C. with a specific focus on establishing primary care homes supported by Interprofessional Teams.



Medical Lead NH Cardiac Care

Dr. Haidar Hadi

Dr. Hadi is an Internist/Cardiologist practicing in Prince George. He and his family moved to Prince George in July 2010. He obtained his medical degree at the University of Basra, Iraq. He did his IM/Cardiology residency at Birmingham University Hospital and interventional Cardiology fellowship at Manchester University Hospital (UK). Past responsibilities include University Hospital of Northern BC (UHNBC) Echocardiography Lead and Cardiology Working Group Lead.

The Medical Lead NH Cardiac Care co-leads with the Regional Director, Chronic Diseases, and the Regional Manager, Chronic Diseases-Policy and Standards. The Medical Lead also works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff providing medical leadership in cardiac programming.

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Medical Lead NH Cancer Care

Dr. Jaco Fourie

Dr. Fourie is a GP in Oncology at the Terrace Cancer Care Clinic. Dr. Fourie's other positions include: Medical Director, North West, Medical Advisor BCAS, Skeena, and Civil Aviation Medical Examiner for the Skeena Region.

The Medical Lead NH Cancer Care is an essential link between Northern Health and the BC Cancer Agency (BCCA). The Medical Lead NH Cancer Care provides leadership and directly contributes to updating the Cancer Strategy in the North. The Medical Lead NH Cancer Care supports the coordination of cancer services across the Northern Health Authority, including the provision of continuity of patient care, adherence with standardized best practices, and alignment of services to match the strategic plans of both Northern Health and BCCA.



Medical Lead Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS) and Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) Program

Dr. Abu Hamour

Dr. Hamour is currently an Infectious Diseases Physician in the department of Internal Medicine at the University Hospital of Northern British Columbia (UHNBC). He and his family moved to Prince George in 2005. He obtained his medical degree at the University of Khartoum, Sudan and trained in Infectious Diseases and Internal Medicine in the United Kingdom. He is also the Director of the Northern British Columbia Travel Health and Vaccination Clinic.

The Medical Lead, NH AMS and IPC program, co-leads with the Regional Manager, Infection Prevention and Control, Deanna Hembroff, and Antimicrobial Stewardship Coordinator, Alicia Ridgewell, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff providing regional leadership, clinical expertise and coordination to the Antimicrobial Stewardship program and the Department of Infection Prevention & Control.

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Medical Lead HIV and Hep C Care

Dr. Abu Hamour

The Medical Lead, HIV and Hepatitis C Care (HCV), provides regional leadership, clinical expertise and coordination to the HIV and Hepatitis C Care (HHC) program. The Medical Lead is a leader in the prevention and treatment of HIV and HCV and is responsible for improving safety and quality care for patients living with an

infectious disease.

As a facilitator and leader within NH, the Medical Lead works in a co-leadership model with the Regional Director, Chronic Diseases and/or delegates to establish effective cross functional teams to promote optimal care for patients. The Medical Lead, in collaboration with the Regional Director and/or delegate, serves as an essential link between NH, the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC), the BC Centre for Excellence (BCCfE) promoting communication and positive working relationships. The Medical Lead and Regional Director delegate work collaboratively with internal and external partners to further the goals of the program.



Medical Lead, NH Kidney Care

Dr. Anurag Singh

Dr. Anurag Singh is a Consultant Physician with specialty in Nephrology and General Internal Medicine. He is a clinician, a teacher and a researcher who hopes to make a significant contribution to Canadian Nephrology services.

The Medical Lead NH Kidney Care, in collaboration with the Regional Manager, Chronic Diseases-Specialized Services, serves as an essential link between NH and the BC Provincial Renal Agency (BCPRA). The Medical Lead NH Kidney Care promotes excellent communications and positive working relationships between the BCPRA and NH. The Medical Lead NH Kidney Care supports the medical coordination of renal services across Northern Health and ensures continuity of patient care, adherence with standardized best practices and alignment of services to match the NH strategic plan.

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Medical Lead, Critical Care Program

Dr. Jani Burg

Dr. Burg graduated from medical school in Pretoria, South Africa in 1974. He completed his senior emergency room physician training in Pretoria and internal medicine training in Vancouver. He has a general practice in Prince George. He has held a number of leadership positions in the past including President of the Medical Staff at PGRH, President of the Prince George Medical Society, President Prince

George Emergency Group and inaugural Chair of the NHA Medical Advisory Committee. He has also served as a BC Medical Association (BCMA) Board Member.

The Medical Lead, Critical Care, co-leads with the Executive Lead Critical Care, Beth Ann Derksen, and works collaboratively with physician leaders and professional staff to provide strong leadership. They work to strengthen regional medical ties to promote physician engagement and involvement in the range of initiatives that fall under Northern Health's Critical Care Program and the development of regional quality initiatives to produce fully integrated, evidence based, collaborative models for delivery of critical care services across the NHA.

Medical Lead, Elder Services Program (VACANT)

The Medical Lead NH Elder Services Program co-leads with the Executive Lead, Elder Services, April Price, and works collaboratively with physician leaders and professional staff. This team works together to provide professional leadership to medical staff engagement and involvement in the range of initiatives that fall under Northern health's Elder Services Program with a particular focus on system and practice quality improvement population and outcome based service delivery, health services integration, multidisciplinary service delivery, management of information, and evaluation and research.

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Medical Lead, Mental Health and Substance Use (VACANT)

The Medical Lead, Mental Health and Substance Use co-leads with the Executive Lead, Mental Health and Addictions, Michelle Lawrence, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff in supporting the coordination of program related services across the Northern Health Authority. This includes the provision of continuity of patient care, adherence with standardized best practices, and alignment of services to match the strategic priorities. The Medical Lead, Mental Health and Addictions is an essential link between the clinical quality program and the related provincial agencies.

Medical Lead, Perinatal Services (VACANT)

The Medical Lead NH Perinatal Program co-leads with the Executive Lead, Perinatal Services, Vanessa Salmons, and works collaboratively with other physician leaders and professional staff to:

- Develop innovative physician engagement strategies that ensure physician involvement in program planning, program implementation, health services integration, coordination and evaluation of the NH Perinatal Program.
 - Facilitate alignment of initiatives related to NH Perinatal Program with the policy directions and strategic initiatives of the Ministry of Health (MoH) services, provincial agencies and programs, and other relevant organizations.
 - Establish NH wide goals for the NH Perinatal Program and provide clinical leadership and championship of, and facilitation of education with respect to practices that will help achieve those goals.
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