

IP in Rural Communities

IP IN ACTION AT THE WANETA PRIMARY CARE CLINIC

The Waneta Primary Care Clinic located in Trail B.C. and established by Dr. Blair Stanley, exemplifies how interprofessional practice benefits not only patients, but also the community and the healthcare team.

To read a full profile of the Waneta clinic please visit www.in-bc.ca.

“Blair and Lori share a vision. It’s this shared vision about comprehensive primary healthcare focused on patient needs that makes them a wonderful example of interprofessional care in a ‘real-life’ setting as well as an excellent site for IP learning. I hope to see this clinic become a model for other clinics in Interior Health.”

– Linda Sawchenko

“There is now great opportunity for family physicians to collaborate and deliver primary care in a new and exciting way. We need to embrace these opportunities and see what works for our patients and our practices. The most important pearl though is nurturing of the relationships among clinicians. All practitioners must be equal. The old hierarchical model of medicine is no longer practical.”

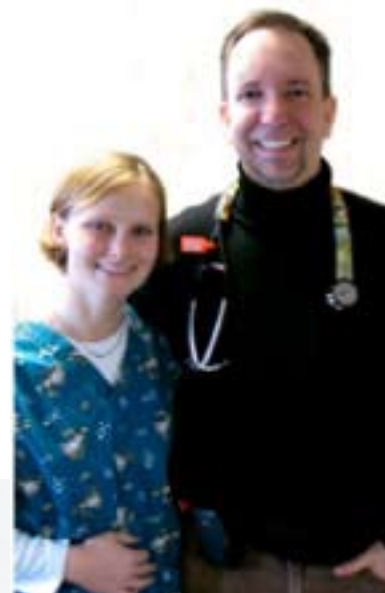
– Dr. Blair Stanley

“In my twenty years of practice I finally feel like I am having a positive impact on the health and wellness of the patients I work with and the community I live in. It is a privilege to work in such a positive work environment where innovation is welcome.”

– Lori Verigin RN BTsN MN NP(F)

In-BC Consultation Process Update

Currently, Lillian Bayne is conducting key informant interviews and will facilitate a final invitational workshop on August 14, 2008 to review the consultation themes and to focus on specific activities and resources related to implementation of interprofessionalism in B.C. The results of the workshop discussion will help to inform the business plan, which will be submitted to the Ministry at the end of August.



*Pam McIntosh, MOA at
Waneta Primary Clinic, and
Dr. Blair Stanley*

THE PORT MCNEILL INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTH EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM

Port McNeill hosted the 3rd annual Interprofessional Health Education Symposium on June 21-22, 2008. The event was well attended with representatives from rural communities, First Nations, healthcare administrators and providers from both rural communities and elsewhere in the province as well as students. The Honourable George Abbott, Minister of Health and Dr Gavin Stuart, Dean UBC Faculty of Medicine were highlights as keynote speakers. To read the full story about the Port McNeill Symposium, please visit www.in-bc.ca.



Solutions Panel from the Port McNeill Interprofessional Health Education Symposium 2008: Dr. Owen Heisler, Ms. Linda Sawchenko, Ms. Lesley Bainbridge, Dr. William Mackie, Honourable George Abbott, Mayor Gerry Furney, Dean Gavin Stuart, Ms. Jean Wheeler and Dr. Granger Avery (moderator).

RAHP Report Update

The Rural Academic Health Project's (RAHP) final report reinforces not only the important role that rural communities provide in the education of health professionals but also the interprofessional nature of rural health. A growing number of rural communities across the province are exploring ways to host students and increase interprofessional learning as a key strategy for promoting recruitment and retention of rural health professionals. To view the final report, please visit: www.in-bc.ca.



IP on a National Level

Accreditation of Interprofessional Health Education (AIPHE)

A partnership of eight national organizations that accredit pre-licensure education for medicine, nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, pharmacy and social work in Canada is collaborating in a 1 ½ year project to create and support the use of core joint principles and draft standards for interprofessional education. In-BC is pleased to recognize Lesley Bainbridge, Louise Nasmith and Grant Charles who offer their expertise in the establishment of these educational standards through their respective work in accreditation and interprofessional education.

For more information see <http://www.afmc.ca/projects-aiphe-e.php>.

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