

BCHPCA Communiqué

May 8, 2014

Key Messages following May 2014 Board Meetings

The BC Hospice Palliative Care Association (BCHPCA) Board of Directors held its quarterly meeting on May 8, 2014. The following key messages are provided for circulation throughout the Membership:

- BCHPCA has engaged Michael Blatchford, a lawyer from Bull Houser and Tupper LLP who specializes in not-for-profit law, to conduct a review and draft revisions to the BCHPCA bylaws. Anyone wishing to participate in this review should contact Lorraine at the office at ed@bchpca.org or (604) 267 3013.
- The new BCHPCA website has now been launched, with a number of new features to visit:
 - The BCHPCA Group Insurance Program is now active. Any BCHPCA organizational member or Affiliate Member is eligible to purchase affordable, custom insurance coverage, see <http://bchpca.org/membership/> for details. Benda Erickson from, our partner Westland Insurance Group Ltd., can provide Members with a non-binding quotation that can be compared with current coverage and premiums. The BCHPCA Members who have already purchased insurance through this initiative have experienced either significant cost savings and/or better and more customized insurance coverage.
 - Watch for additional Membership benefits as we launch a group for the purchase of affordable employee benefits; this initiative should be available in the fall.
 - The 2013 BCHPCA Hospice Palliative Care Services Survey has been posted to the new website; see Resources, BCHPCA Resources. Every respondent will be receiving their unique code and a spreadsheet of all responses; you will be able to compare your responses to others in your region. Work has started on the 2014 survey project which will include enhanced questions, additional respondents invited to participate and the creation of a software program for collecting data easily.
- Next year, BCHPCA will host a multi-stream conference – so please save the date!
 - May 22-23, 2015
 - Radisson Vancouver Airport Hotel, Richmond, BC

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