

BCHPCA Communiqué

September 30, 2013

Key Messages following September 2013 Board Meetings

The Board of the BC Hospice Palliative Care Association (BCHPCA) held their quarterly meetings on September 22 - 23, 2013. The following key messages are provided for circulation throughout the membership:

- As a federally incorporated not-for-profit organization, the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA) comes under the jurisdiction of the new *Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act*. As a first step in complying with this new legislation, CHPCA must revise its bylaws; bylaw revisions require an affirmative vote by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the CHPCA membership. As members of BCHPCA, you also have joint membership in CHPCA – all members should have received email information entitled: ATTENTION: VOTE FOR CHANGES TO THE CANADIAN HOSPICE PALLIATIVE CARE ASSOCIATION'S BY-LAWS on September 19, 2013. Please review the information and vote by the deadline of November 5, 2013. If you require further information, please contact CHPCA directly via Cheryl Spencer cspencer@bruyere.org or Vanessa Sherry vsherry@bruyere.org
- The BCHPCA Executive Committee will be conducting a review of the BCHPCA Bylaws in 2014; if you are interested in working on this project, please contact Lorraine Gerard at the BCHPCA office, ed@bchpca.org
- Save the Date – BCHPCA's next education event will take place Friday and Saturday, May 9 – 10, 2014. Watch for more information in future communiqués.
- BCHPCA will be enhancing support for volunteer training by:
 - producing a revised version of the training materials as separate modules;
 - creating a training resource section on the new BCHPCA website, and
 - providing opportunities for training-related information in our newsletters.

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