Societal Vision
We all deserve to live, love, die and say goodbye in our own way.
**BCHPCA 2017-2018**

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(as at December 31, 2017)

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BCHPCA STRATEGIC PLAN

Vision
We all deserve to live, love, die and say goodbye in our own way.

Mission
To SPARK action through conversations, relationships and partnerships which support dying and grieving well.

Strategies
• Advocacy
• Membership Support
• Education
• Public Awareness

Values
• respects its relationships and partnerships
• is compassionate and caring
• is progressive and focused
• is trustworthy
PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Dear Members and Supporters of BCHPA,

“May you live in interesting times.” Is this more a curse or a blessing? I am not sure, but as President of the British Columbia Hospice Palliative Care Association (BCHPCA) it is a phrase that captures my year. I am honoured to be a member of this very diverse and compassionate group of Board of Directors, and was thrilled to have a full complement of Directors this year, if only briefly. The Directors volunteer their time and talents to ensure the Association supports the membership and represents them. I encourage all members to consider responding to future ‘Calls for Nominations’ to the Board so that we can have full representation from across our province. Through the support of The Vantage Point and Doris Orr we have developed a new strategic plan which will guide our work for the next three-five years. I am excited to share our:

VISION
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MISSION
To SPARK action through conversation, relationships and partnerships which support dying and grieving well.

Aligned with this vision and mission our conference “Extending the Circle of Compassion” highlighted the value of partnerships, collaboration and relationships in service of hospice palliative care locally, provincially and nationally.

Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) has had a significant impact on hospice palliative communities throughout our province and country. As we listen and learn more and move through this pivotal change, the support for MAiD in hospice care is polarized. The BCHPCA has been a leader in understanding the implementation issues and working with our partners. We will continue to keep vigilant in understanding this complex change and provide both the Ministry and our members the platform to communicate and discuss the current state. The unintended consequence of MAiD has been an increase in awareness of the importance of hospice palliative care, and all can agree this is a good thing.

The BCHPCA has seen a change in our financial resources and is excited to be seeking new opportunities to ensure we continue to be viable and available to support our members and the public. We have developed a resource committee to secure sustainable funding and sponsorship and will endeavour to raise the profile of hospice palliative care throughout BC.

It has been my great pleasure to serve this Association and I would like to close by acknowledging the valuable work our Executive Director, Lorraine Gerard, does in building partnerships, and advocating for hospice palliative care and all those that are involved in this service.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Flood, President
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Dear BCHPCA Members & Supporters:

After having been advised of required changes to BCHPCA bylaws in advance of the new Society Act, BCHPCA completed a revision to the previous bylaws in 2016 and this year, finalized those revisions to ensure compliance. BCHPCA should be well positioned to transition to the new Society Act in early 2018. We acknowledge the advice and support received from Michael Blatchford and Bryan Millman, of Norton, Rose, Fulbright throughout this initiative. We also wish to acknowledge the support and expertise made available to us from Erik Allas and Adam Gilchrist of Tompkins Wozny, the accountants who conduct our annual reviews.

BCHPCA continues to work closely with the BC Centre for Palliative Care (BC-CPC) on a number of ongoing work groups and committees. In 2017, we welcomed the BC-CPC as a partner to host a stream of clinical sessions at BCHPCA’s annual Conference, Extending the Circle of Compassion. Together with the BC-CPC and the Canadian Cancer Society (BC and YK), we have begun the discussing the need for an Alliance, loosely based on the Quality End of Life Care Coalition of Canada.

The 2017 Conference was the most successful in recent years, with 178 registrants; the vast majority were BCHPCA Members, and 47 hospice societies were represented. The Conference was both a content success as well as a financial success, due to the registration and more than double the previous year’s revenue from sponsors, exhibitors and advertisers. Post-conference evaluations were extremely positive on all aspects of the two-day event.

The Implementation of Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) continues to be problematic, especially in two health authority regions. The absence of a provincial implementation policy means that there is no provincial guidance or consistency. BCHPCA has been in contact with the policy developers, but they have no new information to provide. The Association has formed a work group to develop a position on MAiD. Our research to date shows that BC is the only province where hospices have not been exempted from the provision of MAiD, or allowed to opt in or out.

There are a number of ‘behind the scenes’ activities that are required to keep the
These past few years have been financially worrisome, as we have experienced changes to our previous donor-base. The Board and the BCHPCA are working hard to turn this around so that the Association is well positioned to provide support to our members and the public throughout BC.

The BCHPCA office is fortunate to have the ongoing trust and support of the Board of Directors and in particular the Executive Committee, President Donna Flood and Past-President, Meg Milner. We are also extremely fortunate to have the very capable services of the Administrative Assistant, Bonnie Atwood. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

M.Y. Lorraine Gerard
Executive Director

Association running well, they include: preparing for quarterly Board meetings; managing Board and Committee meetings and teleconferences; negotiating contracts with vendors related to the annual conference; managing the call for nominations for Board vacancies, as well as for BCHPCA Awards; and acting as the Secretariat for both the Order of St John of Jerusalem’s annual grants, and the Frances Montgomery Compassionate Communities Caregiver Award, sponsored by Life and Death Matters.

In this past year, BCHPCA provided support to 15 Member Organizations with specific challenges, including: Executive Director recruitment and evaluation, Board recruitment and succession planning, strategic planning processes, and human resources advising.

A highlight of year was the development of a new Strategic Plan for BCHPCA. We were extremely fortunate to engage a facilitator, Doris Orr, through our relationship with The Vantage Point.
In May 2017, BCHPCA offered “Extending the Circle of Compassion”, a conference to showcase and study the various partnerships and networks that make up the hospice palliative care community. This year, in partnership with the BC Centre for Palliative Care, BCHPCA offered a fourth stream of sessions, specifically targeted to clinicians. The Centre also hosted a Train the Trainer event to introduce the Serious Illness Conversation Guide (SICG), in advance of the conference and held a half-day introductory SICG session as part of the clinician’s stream. Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits were available to clinicians who attended the half-day Introductory SICG session.

BCHPCA again hosted its annual Awards Luncheon which this year featured the first Frances Montgomery Compassionate Community Caregiver Award (FMCCCA). The FMCCCA was created by Life and Death Matters; BCHPCA acts as Secretariat for both the FMCCCA and for the Order of St. John’s annual grants.

In keeping with the theme of an extended circle of compassion, some of CONFERENCE 2017’s presentations included sessions related to caring for the caregivers; respecting the roles of family and friends; establishing person-centered care; recognizing the potential for complicated grief as a result of MAiD; honouring end of life faith traditions; introducing the Serious Illness Conversation Guide; showcasing Seed Grant projects; promoting grief awareness in youth; fundraising; integrating palliative care in cardiac, renal and dementia care; soliciting opinions for advanced hospice volunteer training and supporting end of life care in long term care.

The conference ended with a vital message of compassion from Jim Mulcahy, a patient, care giver and advocate.
MEMBERSHIP BY REGION

FRASER REGION
Regional Director – Dr. Heather E. Mohan

16 Individual Members (Includes 3 Honorary and 1 Life Member)

12 Organizational Members
- Abbotsford Home Services
- Burnaby Hospice Society
- Camp Kerry Hospice Society
- Chilliwack Hospice Society
- Crossroads Hospice Society
- Delta Hospice Society
- Fraser Canyon Hospice Society
- Mission Hospice Society
- New West Hospice Society
- Peace Arch Hospice Society
- Ridge Meadows Hospice Society
- Surrey Hospice Society

Affiliate Members
- BC Centre for Palliative Care
- Westland Insurance Group Ltd.

INTERIOR REGION
Regional Director – Donald Davidson

15 Individual Members (Includes 4 Honorary Members)

25 Organizational Members
- 100 Mile District Hospice Palliative Care Society
- Boundary Community Hospice
- Bridge River Indian Band
- Castlegar Hospice Society
- Central Okanagan Hospice Association
- Clearwater & District Hospice Society
- Cranbrook Kimberley Hospice Society
- Creston Valley Hospice Society
- Desert Valley Hospice Society
- Golden Hospice Society
- Greater Trail Hospice Society
- Hospice Society of North Kootenay Lake
- Hospice Society of the Columbia Valley
- Kalein Hospice Society
- Kamloops Hospice Association
- Lillooet Hospice Society
- Merritt & District Hospice Society
- Nakusp Hospice
- Nelson & District Hospice Society
- New Denver Hospice Society
- North Okanagan Hospice Society
- Penticton & Distrust Hospice Society
- Revelstoke Hospice Society
- Shuswap Hospice Society
- Williams Lake Hospice Society

NORTH REGION
Regional Director – Sue Skeates

12 Individual Members (Includes 3 Honorary Members)

11 Organizational Members
- Bulkley Valley Hospice Society
- Fort Nelson Hospice Society
- Fort St. John & District Palliative Care Society
- Hospice Yukon Society
- Prince George Hospice Society
- Prince Rupert & District Hospice Society
- Quesnel & District Hospice Palliative Care Association
- South Peace Hospice and Palliative Care Society
- Terrace Hospice Society
- Tumbler Ridge Hospice & Respite Care Society
- Vanderhoof Hospice Society
PROVINCIAL REGION
Regional Director – Gina Gaspard

4 Individual Members

2 Organizational Members
• Canuck Place Children’s Hospice
• L3 Let’s Live a Little

1 Affiliate Member
• BC Bereavement Helpline

VANCOUVER COASTAL REGION
Regional Director – Elizabeth Beddard-Huber

16 Individual Members (Includes 3 Honorary)

7 Organizational Members
• Care at Home Services
• North Shore Hospice Society
• Powell River Hospice Society
• Salvation Army Rotary Hospice House (Richmond)
• Squamish Hospice Society
• Sunshine Coast Hospice Society
• The Bloom Group – Cottage Hospice and May’s Place

4 Affiliate Members
• Family Funeral Home Association
• Partners in Care Alliance
• Paul Sugar Palliative Support Foundation
• Willow Personal Development and End of Life Education Enterprises

VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION
Regional Director – Christy Linder

28 Individual Members (Includes 6 Honorary)

11 Organizational Members
• Alberni Valley Hospice Society
• Campbell River Hospice Society
• Comox Valley Hospice Society
• Cowichan Valley Hospice Society
• Nanaimo Community Hospice Society
• North Island Crisis & Counselling Centre
• Oceanside Hospice Society
• Pacific Rim Hospice Society
• Salt Spring Hospice and Bessie Dane Foundation
• Sooke Hospice Society
• Victoria Hospice Society

1 Affiliate Members
• Greater Victoria Police Victims Services

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GRANT & AWARD WINNERS 2017

SOVEREIGN ORDER OF ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM, VANCOUVER COMMANDERY GRANTS

BCHPCA acts as the Secretariat for the Order of St. John, by administering the granting opportunity and receiving, reviewing and making grant recommendations to the Almoners Committee.

- **Camp Kerry Society**
  Soaring Eagle Project

- **Canuck Place Children’s Hospice**
  Home-Based End of Life Care

- **North Island Crisis & Counselling Centre Society**
  Hospice Volunteer Training

- **Oceanside Hospice Society**
  Mindful Meditation

- **Prince George Hospice Society**
  Caregiver Support Program

- **Sunshine Coast Hospice Society**
  Clinical Grief Counselling Fund

FRANCES MONTGOMERY COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITIES CAREGIVER AWARD

This new Award was created and is sponsored by Ted and Kath Murray of Life and Death Matters. The Award celebrates the immense contributions of the social community in caring for people at end-of-life and acknowledges that care of the sick and the dying is “everyone’s responsibility”.

BCHPCA acts as the Secretariat for the Frances Montgomery Compassionate Communities Caregiver Award; administering the award opportunity and receiving, reviewing, and making recommendations to the Sponsor.

The 2017 Frances Montgomery Compassionate Communities Caregiver Award was presented to the **Lax Kw’alaams community** of Band and Clinic Nurses, Physicians, Home Support Workers, and Family Members who worked together, creating a truly extended circle of compassion.

Lax Kw’alaams was formerly known as Port Simpson.

BCHPCA VOLUNTEER AWARD 2017

**BCHPCA** was delighted to recognize **Lynn Shervill** for his volunteer dedication with the 2017 BCHPCA Volunteer Award. Lynn’s commitment and contributions to people living with life limiting conditions, at end of life and in bereavement over the past eighteen years with the Bulkley Valley Hospice Society is truly inspiring.
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