Delta Division of Family Practice
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SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

Dr. Matt O'Mahoney has left View Medical to move back to Ireland. He has become an important member of the community and will be missed by patients, colleagues and Division staff. We wish Dr. O'Mahoney every success on the Emerald Isle.

Annual General Meeting

A reminder that the AGM will be held at the Coast Tsawwassen Inn on **Wednesday, September 21**. Specialists and allied health care partners will be invited to join us to hear from Dr. Garey Mazowita regarding the development of Primary Care Home/Patient Medical Home and how that may look in our community.

AGM (Members only)	5:30 to 6:30 PM
Dinner:	6:45 PM
PMH/PCH:	7:15 to 8:30 PM

Welcome to South Delta

Please welcome Drs. Thulani Mtshali, Caitlin Naylor and Omolayo Famuyide to the community. Dr. Mtshali began full time practice at Ladner Centre Medical in August and Dr. Naylor and Dr. Famuyide are locuming. Dr. Charles Wong is now practicing full time at Ladner Centre Medical.

Syrian Refugees

In the spring of 2016, the Bridge Clinic and Fraser Health Primary Care program started working collaboratively to develop a transition process to identify and categorize the refugee clients in Fraser Health communities.

To assist with transitioning care from the Bridge Clinic to a FH primary care provider, an RN care coordinator has been hired to facilitate attachment processes. As of July 21, 2016 there are **47 clients** receiving care at the Bridge Clinic who reside in Delta; all will be registered on the FETCH wait list. In preparation of these patients being attached, ***please advise the Division if you speak Arabic or know of anyone who would be willing to translate***.

Child Youth Mental Health Substance Use - Public Education Event

The Delta Local Action Team (LAT) is hosting its second community event on October 25 from 6 to 9 PM in the theatre at South Delta Secondary. Presentations will focus on depression and suicide. Q&A will follow.

Division Membership

Our membership is growing and we encourage all family physicians to join the Division. The closer we are to 100% enrollment, the more we ensure we're representing our family practice community. Applications can be submitted through the website. https://www.divisionsbc.ca/member/addmemberpublicsite.aspx