

# Vancouver Division of Family Practice (VDoFP)

## Current Portfolio and Committee Work

### Attachment (A GP for Me)

Guided by the Triple Aim philosophy with the goals to confirm, improve and strengthen the Family Doctor-patient relationship, address the needs of vulnerable patients and increase capacity within the system to provide continuous primary care.

### Communications Committee

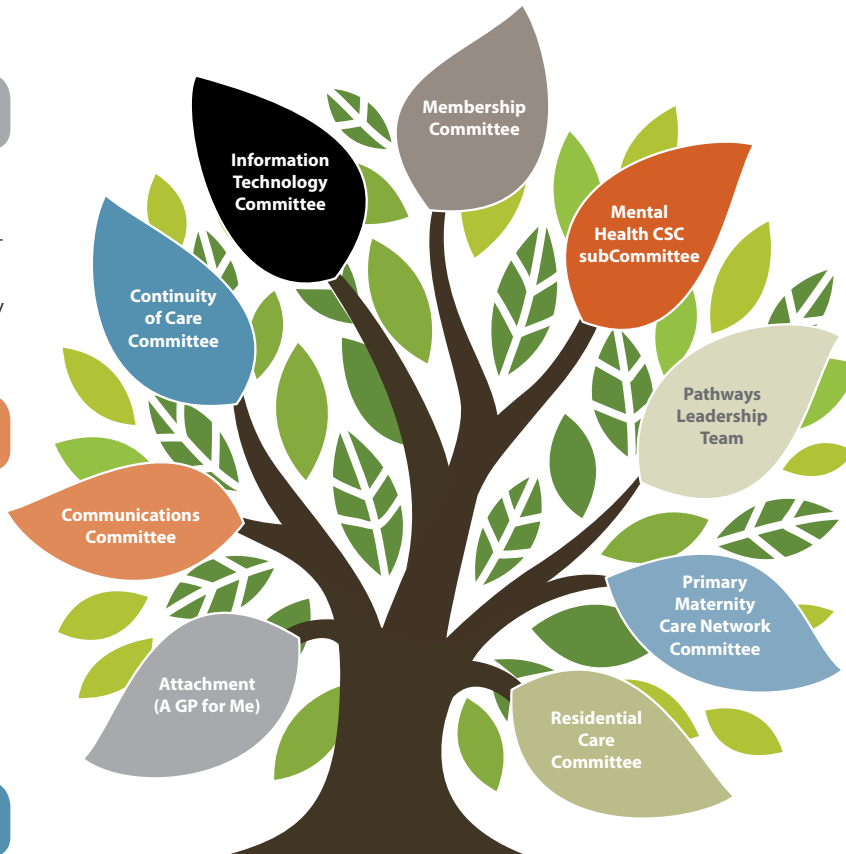
Facilitating and managing information and engagement requests from partners in a timely, efficient and transparent manner to empower Family Doctors, increase their level of engagement in the community, nurture partnerships and increase Family Doctor influence on the primary care system.

### Continuity of Care Committee

Increasing communication and collaboration between Family Doctors and Specialists, health authorities and other stakeholders to improve the patient experience and overall quality of care.

### Information Technology Committee

Optimizing the use of technology through Electronic Medical Record support and user groups, while improving communications among Family Doctors, and between Family Doctors and the broader community to enhance patient care and business practice efficiencies.



### Membership Committee

Actively engaging and supporting Family Doctor and Resident members to enhance practice efficiency, encourage business management optimization, create practice tools, facilitate mentorship, knowledge sharing and networking, and provide opportunities for continuing medical education and skill-building.

### Mental Health CSC subCommittee

Representing the Family Doctor perspective in collaborative work with health authorities, patients and partners by assessing and providing input into programs and projects related to integrating mental health and primary care to improve access to diagnosis, treatment and support for those with mental health concerns.

### Pathways Leadership Team

Creating a web-based directory tool that connects Family Doctors and Specialists to streamline the referral process and communication with Specialists.

### Primary Maternity Care Network Committee

Creating a network of Family Doctors to enhance and facilitate knowledge exchange about prenatal and postpartum care, connect Family Doctors, and improve the maternity care referral process.

### Residential Care Committee

Supporting Family Doctors in long term care facilities, providing mentorship to younger doctors interested in facility care work and identifying current care gaps in the system and potential solutions and areas for change.

### MISSION

The mission of the Vancouver Division of Family Practice is to improve the primary care system in Vancouver for the benefit of our patients and members alike.

### GOALS

**Our commitment to Vancouver Family Practice patients** – We will seek ways to address gaps in care and needs that are not being met by the current primary health care system; for example, mental health issues, and the transition between in-hospital care and community care.

**Our commitment to Vancouver Family Doctors** – We will aim to support doctors in improving ways in which they practice medicine in Vancouver: the business aspects of Family Practice, networking opportunities, call coverage and locum support, continuing medical education (CME) opportunities, improved retention and recruitment of Family Doctors, and opportunities to address doctors' health.

**Our commitment to Vancouver Family Practice patients, Family Doctors and the community** – We will aim to improve patient care, increase Family Doctors' influence on health care delivery and policy, and provide professional satisfaction for doctors.

### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Improve and increase communication between acute care providers, primary care providers, Specialists, and supports.
2. Improve the system of care, including gap identification, reduction in duplication of services and tests, and research.
3. Improve member satisfaction, collegiality, and knowledge base through CME, seminars, and workshops.
4. Improve and enhance the relationship between Family Doctors and patients through the Attachment initiative (A GP for Me).
5. Improve the relationship between the Vancouver Division and critical stakeholders, including Vancouver Coastal Health, Ministry of Health, Providence Health Care, Divisions BC, and other community partners.