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Doctors of BC wants to hear from you – *Deadline November 22*

Doctors of BC wants to hear what's important to you as the association heads into negotiations for the 2019 Physician Master Agreement (PMA). Please take a moment to participate in a survey that will help them better understand your priorities, advocate for and represent the profession's needs during negotiations. An email was sent to all members on Wednesday, October 25th with a link to the survey. If you did not receive or can't find it, please email surveys@doctorsofbc.ca

Tackling Technology – What does it mean to your practice?

Is your practice terrorized or transformed by technology? Either way, you're likely to benefit from the Technology Innovation Engagement Forum taking place in January 2018 at VGH (see below for details). This event, free for VPSA physicians, is organized by the engagement For Innovative Technologies (eFIT) Interest Group and funded by the Vancouver Physician Staff Association Facility Engagement Initiative. It will bring together VPSA physicians, UBC medical students and residents to share ideas and learn about innovations for health care. Tech savvy physicians will learn how to access funding and supports to develop their innovative ideas.

"Whether we like it or not, technology is changing the way we work. That's why we established the eFIT Interest Group," said Dr. Kendall Ho, who co-chairs eFIT along with Drs. David Wilton and Eric Cadesky. "We are physicians with an interest in innovation and a goal to expand the knowledge and capacity of the physician community to adopt new technology."

The January Forum brings together experts to share their ideas and generate meaningful discussion regarding the integration of technology into medical practice. The agenda for the evening includes a panel discussion with health care leaders representing VCH, Joule by Canadian Medical Association, UBC School of Biomedical Engineering, and Hatching Health led by UBC medical and engineering students. Each will share their views regarding technology in healthcare. This will be followed by a Q&A and then a buffet dinner. Mini-presentations and e-poster displays will highlight the work of VPSA physicians who are leading their own innovation initiatives. The entire event is free for physicians.

Call for Abstracts – Do you have an innovation to share?

If you have an idea or invention that you'd like to share, submit online at: <http://digem.med.ubc.ca/eFIT/>. It will take only five minutes to answer four questions.

Mark Your Calendar: Technology Innovation Engagement Forum, Jan. 25, 2018

Paetzold Auditorium, Room 1891, Jim Pattison Pavilion South, Vancouver General Hospital,
Time: 1630 – 2000, Dinner included

This event is free for VPSA physicians. Space is limited so make sure you register early!

RSVP: digem.assistant@ubc.ca or call 604-822-0327 or register at <http://digem.med.ubc.ca/eFIT/>

For more information on the VPSA Facility Engagement Initiative visit:
<http://medicalstaff.vch.ca/working-for-change/vpsa-facility-engagement-initiative/>