

VPSA Annual General Meeting – welcome your new Board!

Monday, December 11th marked the first official AGM of the Vancouver Physician Staff Association (VPSA), including the election of the following new board that will represent the Medical Staff Association and the VPSA:

- President: Dr. Simon Rabkin
- Vice President: Dr. Ryan Paterson
- Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Noa Mallek
- Past-President: Dr. Marshall Dahl

Prior to the AGM, VCH CEO Mary Ackenhusen shared highlights of the recent “My VCH Survey”. Details of her presentation are available at: the My VCH website: <http://www.my-vch.ca/> Mary stated her intention to continue connecting with physicians to identify and address priorities for change. The conversation will continue at the VPSA-hosted Leadership Breakfast with Mary on January 11, 2018. See details below.

Joint VPSA Physicians and VA Leaders Breakfast – Connecting over Croissants

Establishing connections and understanding roles were on the menu for a breakfast meeting held December 4th at VGH. The event was attended by VCH CEO Mary Ackenhusen, Vice President Glen Copping and more than 50 physicians, medical directors, operations directors and others interested in creating a more collaborative work environment. Fun activities, combined with meaningful discussion helped clarify roles, foster new relationships and build understanding for the priorities and opportunities associated with different roles within VCH.

Meaningful engagement a priority for all

No matter the role, there was general agreement that email is the worst way to connect and face-to-face the best. Leaders and physicians alike encouraged others to stop them for a hallway chat, invite them to meetings or arrange to connect over coffee as the best ways to communicate. There was also a shared priority to improve collaboration and work together to deliver excellent patient care.



Mark your calendars! - upcoming VPSA events you won't want to miss:

- January 11, 0700 - 0800 Leadership Breakfast with Mary Ackenhusen, VCH CEO
 - Paetzold Multipurpose Room, MP 1888, Jim Pattison Pavilion South
- January 25 1630 – 2000 Technology Innovation Engagement Forum – **SOLD OUT!**
 - This free event for physicians is now completely booked.

For more information on the VPSA Facility Engagement Initiative visit:

<http://medicalstaff.vch.ca/working-for-change/vpsa-facility-engagement-initiative/>