

Physician's Vote on Priorities for Improving Physician Collaboration and Collegiality

Approximately 100 physicians from VGH, UBCH, GF Strong and the community attended the VPSA Facility Engagement Event on September 28th. The event provided an opportunity for physicians to connect casually with colleagues, and learn more about opportunities to shape the future of VCH, and create a more connected, collaborative and caring workplace. *"It's rare to get everyone together like this,"* said Dr. Laura Wilson, Neurology. *"Events like this are important. With so many people, and different sites it is difficult to get to know one another."*

Dr. Lyne Filiatrault, VPSA Facility Engagement Initiative co-chair challenged physicians to step out of their silos and make a difference together. "We have close to 100 physicians here this evening," she said. "That tells me physicians are looking for change. We need more of you to get involved."

Creating capacity for change

Panels were displayed, noting priorities identified through previous physician engagement events. There were three categories: Physicians as Colleagues; Community at Work; Culture & Values; Physician Leadership & Advocacy. Each category had a number of engagement ideas identified. Physicians attending the event were given three stickers and asked to place them on the projects that were priorities for them. The outcome of this voting exercise is available [here](#).

Decisions regarding where to direct funding and other initiative resources will be based on how many physicians sign-up to lead and/or participate in this work. Without more physician involvement, there will be limited capacity to bring about the changes everyone wants to see. To join the Engagement Working Group, email us at vpsa.facilityengagement@gmail.com

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