



Alberni-Clayoquot Health Network Minutes

Thursday November 21, 2013

Best Western Barclay Hotel, Port Alberni, BC

Attendees: David Peterson, Tanis Dagert, Julie Rushton, Peter Klaver, SD 70; Marcie DeWitt, Kathy Waddell, Adriane Schroeder, Patty Edwards, Josie Osborne, Stan Matthews, Paul Hasselback, Helene Dufour, Mary Chudley, Sandra Gentleman, Eunice Joe, Al, Ross, Jason, Emma Isac, Vanessa Charlong, Susan Irvine, Russell Dyson Mélie de Champlain

1. **Welcome**

Chairperson Penny Cote welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Eunice Joe from the Tseshaht First Nation who welcomed everyone to the Territory. AL Ross from the Hupacasath First Nation spoke next and welcomed everyone to the Territory. Introductions were then conducted around the room.

2. **Island Health Strategic Plan**

Island Health 2018, Planning for the Future Together
Excellent care for everyone, everywhere, every time.

Emerging Themes:

- People – Better Together
- Health and Care – With you all the way
- Population – Healthy Islanders
- Innovation – Creating the Best Value

3. **Patients as Partners, Patient Voices Network**

Mary Chudley explained the Patients as Partners, Patient Voices Network is a Ministry of Health initiative administered by ImpactBC. It is a community of patients, caregivers and family members using their experience to work with health care providers to improve health care in BC. By joining the network, you have an opportunity to participate in decision making so that BC's health care system reflects the needs and priorities of those it serves – the patients. The ACHN will help set up an orientation for Friday Feb. 7th at the Port Alberni hospital.

4. **Affordable and Accessible Transportation Community Engagement Project Update**

Russell Dyson gave background and a summary of what is happening with the Transportation Initiative. He explained the Health Network allocated \$15,000 initially to work with Diversified Transportation, the lead consultant left the company and we have entered into a new contract with the 'Sociable Scientists' to do a baseline study. Currently the consultants are conducting stakeholder interviews. As well, representatives from the ACRD met with Minister Todd Stone at the UBCM conference in September to apprise him of our initiative and ask for a Ministry staff contact. In addition, we are in communication with BC Transit and they have shared reports they have done in the region with us etc.

5. **Health Network Update**

HN Coordinator Tanis Dagert gave a brief update on the following:

- **BC Healthy Communities Forum. Healthy Communities: Health is Everyone's Business.**
"This workshop provides an introduction to healthy communities and explores how local

policy, planning and leadership can impact health outcomes. It focuses on identifying local health priorities and opportunities for shared leadership.” To be held April 11th 2014.

- **Alberni Parenting Forum.** Planning underway, twill be held at Echo Centre w/ Paul Kershaw, Leader of Generation Squeeze Campaign in partnership with the Alberni Make Children First Tables. Date t.b.a.
- **Generation Y-Not?: Growing Local Leaders Forums** on the West Coast in partnership with the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust & Vancouver Foundation. Project to include one large youth forum plus three regional youth gatherings to help youth create an action plan for sustaining youth engagement in the region. T.b.a.
- **Bamfield Anacla Community to Community Forum** in partnership with the Huu-ay-aht First Nations focused on ratification of the ‘Community Accord, changes since Treaty and reinvigorating relationships and shared commitments towards a common healthy future. To be held in spring 2014
- Tanis and Adriane worked on a draft of an '**Affordable Housing in the Alberni Clayoquot Region Discussion paper**' and submitted it to the Alberni Valley Community Stakeholders Initiative to End Homelessness for review.

6. **HN Working Group**

Focus for December will be to prepare the Terms of Reference for the working group.
Next meeting Thursday, January 16 at the ACRD Board Room.