

BC
Continuing
Care **Collaborative**





BC Cares Renewal:

Building on Past Success

- Program ran from 2007 to 2013
- Successful coalition of government ministries, private and public post-secondary educators and private and public employers
- Focused on increasing enrollment rate of immigrants, youth and those living in Aboriginal or rural communities



- Helped boost enrollment by 75 – 100% for much needed residential care aides and home support workers
- Almost all participating post-secondary institutions reported full, or near full, classes for Fall 2008 and as many report having waiting lists for future intakes



- Made-in-BC strategy
- Industry-led partnership in collaboration with key stakeholders
- Supports Ministry of Health objective to recruit new workers
- Provides quality employment opportunities for historically underemployed groups
- Integrates and aligns with existing provincial and federal human resources strategies — i.e. rural & First Nations



A renewed BC Cares Program would incorporate two new features which include steps 3 and 4. Both were not part of the 2007-2013 program.

- ✓ Cost of tuition
- ✓ Loan relief program
- ✓ Rural and remote training
- ✓ Program restrictions - ESL
- ✓ Care Aide Registry
- ✓ Dual credit program



Care Providers

Government
Ministries



Post-Secondary
Institutions

Organized
Labour

Desired Outcomes

Proven Success

- ✓ Increased awareness of job opportunities
- ✓ Increased supply of health care workers
- ✓ Fewer unfilled vacancies & reduced worker shortages
- ✓ Facilitate movement of trained staff between provinces
- ✓ Increase training capacity
- ✓ Reduce workplace injuries & lower costs
- ✓ Strengthen care for BC seniors



| We can do it!