



Sector Update - November 22, 2024



B.C. Government announces new cabinet

With B.C.'s new cabinet announced on Monday, BC Care Providers Association (BCCPA) would like to congratulate **Hon. Josie Osborne** on her appointment as B.C.'s new **Minister of Health**. BCCPA also congratulates **Hon. Ravi Kahlon** for his reappointment as **Minister of Housing**, as well as **MLA Susie Chant** on her new role as **Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors' Services and Long-Term Care**. We look forward to working with the new cabinet to address the growing need of B.C.'s rapidly expanding seniors population by moving forward with our advocacy efforts!

BCCPA extends our gratitude to **Hon. Adrian Dix** for his many years of service in the Ministry of Health, ongoing support of our Association, and commitment to seniors in the province. We wish him the best in his new role as Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions.

Special thanks to **MLA Harwinder Sandhu** for her work and support as the former Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors' Services and Long-Term Care. We wish her the best in her new role as Parliamentary Secretary for Agriculture.



This week at BCCPA

Home Health Symposium

On Wednesday, we held our first-ever Home Health Symposium which brought together home health members for networking and collaboration. Thank you to our presenters for their insights:

- Danny Birch, Hero Home Care
- Saleema Dhalla, SafeCare BC
- Noreen Donelly, Bayshore Home Health
- Danny Bernstein, Roper Greyell

Thank you as well to our World Café facilitators — Carol Lange, Wendy Scott, and Elizabeth Rose.

Special thanks to [ShiftCare](#) for sponsoring this event!

BCCPA panel at BC Hospice Palliative Care Association's 2024 Grief, Bereavement & Mental Health Summit

This week, BCCPA organized a panel on palliative care at the [2024 Grief, Bereavement & Mental Health Summit](#). Moderated by BCCPA CEO Terry Lake, this panel served as a platform for delegates to engage in meaningful dialogue about the current landscape of mental health, grief, and bereavement support in long-term care homes.



2024 Annual General Meeting & Holiday Party

On December 4th at the Terminal City Club in Vancouver, BCCPA will hold its **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** where members will be updated on last year's key accomplishments and future plans for the organization. Please visit the Annual General Meeting workspace in M365 to see all AGM documents.

Following the AGM, join us for our **Holiday Party** for an afternoon of food, drinks, laughter and good cheer! *Separate registration is required.*

Don't miss out! Register using the links below:

[AGM \(12:30-2 PM\)](#)
[Holiday Party \(2-4 PM\)](#)



Call for Speakers: Submit your applications for the 48th Annual Conference

BCCPA invites you to apply to speak at our 48th Annual Conference in Victoria, B.C. from June 1st–3rd, 2025. We're seeking dynamic speakers with fresh ideas for an audience of senior leaders, managers, owners, operators, and other key stakeholders.

Read more and apply [here](#).



Have your say in the Office of the Seniors Advocate's survey on ageism

The Office of the Seniors Advocate (OSA) wants to hear from British Columbians about their perceptions and experiences with ageism, particularly related to seniors. They want to know more about how people feel ageism is impacting their lives to inform future work of the OSA.

The survey will be available until **December 13th, 2024**.

Your insights are invaluable. Please complete the short, anonymous survey to share your perspective.

Take the survey online [here](#).

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