

Medical Staff bulletin

PHSA's Board of Directors appoints new Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee Chair

Sent on behalf of Dr. Penny Ballem, interim President & Chief Executive Officer and Dr. Sean Virani, Vice President, Medical & Academic Affairs, PHSA

Following the PHSA board meeting on July 30, we are pleased to announce that the PHSA Board of Directors has appointed Dr. Ran Goldman to be the next chair of the Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee (HAMAC) for a three-year term, effective August 1, 2025.

Dr. Goldman is assuming the role from Dr. Eric Webber, who since July 2021 has served as the inaugural chair of PHSA's first HAMAC.

Our profound thanks to Dr. Webber for taking on this new role at PHSA and establishing a foundation for collaboration and meaningful dialogue amongst HAMAC members.

In his time as chair, Dr. Webber cites the following highlights for PHSA's HAMAC:

- It has become an effective forum where medical staff leaders from across PHSA – local MAC Chairs and medical staff presidents as well as PHSA leaders – meet to discuss issues of shared interest, particularly in the areas of patient safety, quality of care, and medical staff wellness.
- HAMAC has also recognized and highlighted the important work of all medical staff at PHSA: dentists, midwives, nurse practitioners and physicians.
- HAMAC has established itself as a bridge between the medical staff and the PHSA Board of Directors, improving communication and understanding.

As the new chair of HAMAC, Dr. Goldman has confirmed his commitment to build upon the foundational work established by Dr. Webber and the HAMAC representatives and has articulated his priorities going forward, which includes:

- Working with local medical advisory committees to ensure consistent and clear communication between medical staff and the PHSA Board of Directors.
- Making an effort to ensure medical staff continue to inspire and unite teams in their effort to provide the highest quality care for our patients in BC,
- Advancing the aspirations of medical staff to provide compassionate, respectful, and equitable care for all our patients, while developing innovative pathways for safe and efficient delivery of care.
- Collaborating with the health sector to facilitate system wide health human resource planning, and to enhance care for PHSA's priorities including child and maternal health, acute mental health, population and public health, cancer, and ambulance services.

About Dr. Goldman

Dr. Ran Goldman is a Pediatric Emergency Physician and Division co-head for clinical pharmacology at BC Children's hospital, and the Chair of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics committee for BC Children's and BC Women's Hospitals for the last decade. Since joining PHSA in 2007, he continues to serve children with acute illness and injury from all over British Columbia and incorporates high level health-services and pain-management research into his clinical practice. He published over 300 scientific peer-reviewed articles and served in several administrative roles in PHSA and UBC. He is on the Board of the Institute for Safe Medication Practices Canada, a member of the Canadian Drug Agency's drug expert committee and leading a network of global investigators in the study of ethics in research.

Please join us in thanking Dr. Webber for his service and congratulating Dr. Goldman on his appointment.

The next HAMAC meeting will take place later this month, and we look forward to continuing to work with the committee members on your behalf.

This message was sent to medical staff across PHSA.

Our values

Compassion | Respect | Equity | Courage | Innovation

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