

On behalf of everyone here, thank you for your 2017 Membership to the BC Health Coalition, and your continuing support of universal public health care. As a member, you are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting. See notice below.

BC Friends of Medicare Society

NOTICE FOR 2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

October 28, 2017 @ 2:00pm

Please join us for the 2017 Annual General Meeting of **BC Friends of Medicare (BC Health Coalition)**. The meeting will be held at the Jewish Community Centre, Vancouver BC.

At the meeting we will:

1. Share the Annual Report and the 2016-2017 Financial Statements
2. Elect Steering Committee members and Co-Chairs.
3. Complete other business that may be brought before the meeting.

Please **RSVP by Friday, October 20** by emailing terrie@bchealthcoalition.ca - or bring to the AGM meeting. Include in the email if you will be attending as the representative for your organization.

As a coalition, your membership ensures that together we represent the diversity of opinions and needs in B.C – and gives us the strength to take on the challenges ahead.

We hope you will join us for our Annual General Meeting.



Edith MacHattie
Labour Co-chair



Rick Turner
Community Co-chair

INTEREST IN JOINING THE STEERING COMMITTEE

As an organizational member-in-good-standing, I am interested in putting our organization forward for election at the AGM (see information about Steering Committee expectations etc. below):

Name of Representative attending AGM

Name of Community Organization

Contact Information:

Email

Phone



BC Health Coalition Steering Committee – Steering Committee Summary

Steering Committee Membership

The Steering Committee shall be comprised of an equal number of union/labour organizational members and community organizational members. There shall be no more than a total of 14 Steering Committee members.

BC Health Coalition Regular (voting) Membership

Regular Membership is open to all organizations who support the mission and values of the BC Health Coalition (see membership form), the principles of the Canada Health Act, oppose the privatization of health care, and support the principles of the Canadian Health Coalition's Call to Care Statement (see membership form). Regular Members must have its authorized representative sign the application form, receive membership approval by the Steering Committee and have paid their annual membership fees.

Steering Committee's Role and Term

The Steering Committee will work toward building a province-wide movement in favour of public health care and will set the work plan for the BC Health Coalition, in conjunction with the members at meetings of the membership. Between meetings of the membership the Steering Committee will be free to set the agenda to respond to events/issues as they arise. The length of term for Steering Committee membership is until the end of the following AGM.

Any community group member in good standing OR any labour organization member who has paid the annual membership fee of \$5000 or more, can put their name forward to join the Steering Committee.

At the AGM, members shall select from among their number the organizations that will be represented on the Steering Committee (equal number of labour and community organizations). Both the Community Caucus and the Labour Caucus shall choose their respective Co-Chair at the AGM. Steering Committee representatives can serve for more than one term.

Steering Committee Expectations

Steering Committee members are expected to attend Steering Committee meetings. Attendance can be in person (in Vancouver), or by phone. There are generally about 10 Steering Committee meetings a year.

Steering Committee members are expected to participate in at least one organizational committee (finance, personnel, strategic planning etc.) or one campaign working group (private clinics, seniors, election etc.)