

**Interprofessional Research Collaborative (IPRC)
&
Knowledge Translation at the Point-of-Care Project (KTaP)**

The Interprofessional Research Collaborative (IPRC), formed in 2012, consists of health professionals from B.C. Children's Hospital, B.C. Women's Hospital, Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children, Provincial Health Services Authority, and the College of Health Disciplines at UBC.

The overarching theme guiding the work of the IPRC is – *Accelerating the Benefits of Interprofessional Collaboration*. The overall goal is to develop and demonstrate effective approaches to elevate interprofessional collaboration and teamwork in partnership with infants, children, youth, women and their families (patients) and practitioners at the point of care. The shared aim is better outcomes for patients and service providers in specialized care settings.

The IPRC currently completed a project titled - *Advancing Interprofessional Collaboration with Patients and Families: Knowledge Translation at the Point-of-Care (KTaP)*. Grant funding from the Michael Smith Health Services Research Foundation allowed the IPRC to create a series of iterative workshops to address identified interprofessional practice needs using evidence-informed knowledge translation (KT) strategies. Representatives from six clinical teams, including patient or family member partners, were recruited. Some of the outcomes to date are listed below:

- People and programs are interested in promoting and integrating ICP into their care delivery models at PHSA
- Provides a template for involving families/patients in workshops that impact care delivery in PHSA
- Provides evidence for clinical teams specific to their populations to inform practice, change and/or to inform future areas for research
- Reference lists of articles related to ICP are now available for use across PHSA

- A documented search strategy is in place to update or modify the list as needed
- Interactive experience using strategies to explore power differences, listened to patient stories via a facilitated panel had stronger impact
- Each clinical team was exploring how to meaningfully engage and use patient/family members to improve their clinical process from program planning through KT where relevant.
- Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit – reworking how they use the Parents` Advisory committee, also looking at merging the education days for medical students and nursing staff
- Acute Rehab – looking at how to integrate ICP into their current committee structures; also considering patients` advisory group
- Eating Disorders – looking to effectively and better integrate patients and families into their clinical processes
- Complex Chronic Disease Program (CCDP)– using patients to help in the design of clinical resources and processes
- The final reports are being shared with various committees, PHSA and agency executives.
- The IPRC is pursuing a publication plan for the results of this project

