



Together is our superpower

I want to start my first President's Comment by thanking each of you for the extreme privilege of serving as president of Doctors of BC. I am humbled by the passion, dedication, and skill of the physician leaders I have met during my year as president-elect. As I step into the role of president, I vow to listen, learn, amplify, and act on the issues that impact our ability to deliver high-quality care for our patients.

During my presidency, I will focus on fostering a stronger and more unified profession to increase the influence of the physician voice and highlight the unique and important perspective doctors can bring when it comes to creating positive and sustainable change. Physicians bring an experienced viewpoint informed by their direct day-to-day interactions with patients and their deep understanding of the complexities of delivering patient care. Amplifying these voices and empowering physician leaders to take an active role in decision making are critical to shaping policies that are both practical and patient centred.

I am committed to leading with transparency and authenticity, listening to understand, and taking meaningful action that is informed by our conversations. I am also dedicated to engaging with you to better understand the diverse challenges and successes experienced by physicians across the province. We can always learn from each other's successes, but we can also find

opportunities in working collaboratively to turn our challenges into positive change for doctors, patients, and the future of medicine. It's not just about addressing the immediate pressures on the system, but also about fostering long-term solutions that prioritize the health and dignity of every individual.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to the physicians working tirelessly on the ground to care for patients under challenging circumstances. Your unwavering dedication does not go unnoticed. Additionally, I commend those who have stepped into leadership roles to guide us through this critical time. Your contributions are invaluable to the resilience and evolution of our health care system.

The positive change we want and need to see in British Columbia's health care system requires strong, unified leadership. Doctors of BC is a catalyst for change, uniting medical professionals, advocating for systemic improvements, and fostering innovation. As president, I will build on this legacy by prioritizing collaboration, championing physician wellness, and uplifting and amplifying the physician voice to drive meaningful change. I hope to build trust across the profession so that all doctors—specialists and family physicians, rural and urban—feel supported and united in their goal to improve the health care system.

Together, we can create a health care system that is resilient and responsive to

the needs of all British Columbians and reflects our shared commitment to excellence, equity, and innovation. Together, we can transform challenges into opportunities and ensure a healthier future for everyone in our province. Together is our superpower. ■

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