

Membership Form



Yes, we would like to support public health care and become a member of the BC Health Coalition. We agree with the mission and values of BCHC, and the Call to Care of the Canadian Health Coalition (see back).

Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

(an email helps ensure that we are able to keep you up-to-date on public health care issues and BCHC campaigns)

Membership Fee: _____

Additional Donation Amount: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Number of members in your organization (approx): _____

Fee Structure for Organizations

Community Groups, Union Locals or “parts of larger groups”

Under 100 members - \$25/year

101 – 1,000 members - \$50/year

1001 and over - \$75/year

(no group will be turned away for lack of funds)

Provincial or Regional Organizations

Under 1,000 members - \$50/year

1001 – 10,000 members - \$100/year

10,000 and over - \$500/year

Coalitions & Networks

Please contact the office to discuss

Please send a cheque for your 2020 membership to:

BC Health Coalition - #302-3102 Main Street - Vancouver, BC - V5T 3G7

BC Health Coalition Mission and Values:

Mission: To be the voice of public health care in BC and to champion its protection, comprehensiveness and equity.

Values: The BC Health Coalition is a democratic, diverse, inclusive and consensus-based network of organizations and individuals across British Columbia. We believe:

1. Health Care is a human right;
2. Access to health care must be equitable to everyone in BC (regardless of an individual's income, level of ability, age, cultural heritage, sex, sexual orientation, geographic location, gender identity, or im/migration status);
3. The health care system must cover comprehensive care for all patient needs at all stages of life: including the prevention and early detection of health issues, home and community based care, appropriate affordable medications and treatment in hospitals when needed;
4. The best health care system must be evidence-based, not-for-profit, publicly funded and accountable to the public and communities;
5. The social determinants of health (food, education, income, housing, social support and personal safety determine an individual's ability to achieve and maintain good health) are foundational and we champion a health care system that reflects and demonstrates their importance;
6. It is essential to actively build relationships and nurture leadership in diverse communities to ensure meaningful participation in the coalition, including advocacy, activities, and decision-making.

Canadian Health Coalition Call to Care:

Health care in Canada is a fundamental right without distinction of race, gender, age, religion, sexual orientation, political belief, immigration status, and economic or social condition. Organizations representing millions of Canadians will mobilize to defend this right and to ensure that the following principles shape the direction of the Health Accord renewal:

1. The recognition of the highest attainment of health as a fundamental right throughout life and the necessity of preserving public health through active measures of promotion, prevention, and protection including such determinants as housing, food safety, income, education, environment, employment and peace.
2. The recognition that many Aboriginal people have a poor health status and a high burden of disease. The current system is failing and requires a transformation of the relationship between Canada and its Aboriginal people to find solutions together. The Aboriginal people must be at the First Ministers discussions on the Health Accord as these solutions involve all levels of government.
3. The recognition of health care as a public good for which no financial barriers must be erected. We affirm the need for a system of public health care which is organized on the basis of public administration, public insurance and the delivery of services on a public, not-for-profit basis.
4. Opposition to any commercialization and privatization of health care. Therefore the federal government must negotiate a general exclusion of health services and health insurance from all trade agreements.
5. The need for the federal government to fully assume its responsibilities in respect to health, particularly by securing the adequate and predictable federal health transfers and enforcement of the Canada Health Act.
6. The reaffirmation of the original vision of a truly comprehensive public health care system for Canadians providing a continuum of services. The next steps are the expansion of the public system to include a universal Pharmacare plan, a system of home and community care, long-term care, and a strategy for mental health.
7. The need to move towards a community-based, multi-disciplinary team approach to the management, organization and delivery of services, especially in primary care. Levels of services must be sufficient so that the burden of care does not fall on families, mainly women.
8. An accountable health care system through democratic participation and transparent governance at all levels.
9. The recognition that health care workers are critical to the effective operation of the health care system and that decent wages and working conditions are essential to high quality care.