



čëčhatənapəč ʔimot taθ p'ap'əm.
Kelsey Louie ʔatʰ nan
həkʷ tšosəm ʔatʰ tawa.
łəʔəmen qəymuxʷ ʔətʰ jəʔajə
čëčhaθəč čətomuxʷ Lekwungen ʔaθ nə gijə.

I thank/honour you all for your good work.
My name is Kelsey Louie
I am from Sliammon, and the Tla'Amin people are my family
I honour the Lekwungen speaking peoples on Vancouver Island where I live, work and play,
acknowledging it is their territory

I am pleased to introduce myself to you and appreciate your consideration in supporting my interest to join the Doctors of BC Board of Directors. I come from the Tla'Amin First Nation, which is a self-governing modern treaty nation with significant land holdings in the qathet region on British Columbia's Sunshine Coast, near the community of Powell River. I continue to be a visitor to Lekwungen peoples territory, currently calling Victoria home with my wife Amanda and little dog Olive where we live, work and play as uninvited guests, continuing to walk gently and respectfully in their traditional territory.

I am a First Nations family physician who is proud to balance and share time between primary care and leadership roles related to Indigenous health. I have strong interests in collaboration and partnerships, and aim to be respectful in my relationships. I value listening and learning, and welcome the opportunity to understand where we have come from, where we currently find ourselves, and where we hope to go. Our slogan of "Better.Together." truly resonates with me and is something I hope to continue supporting.

I am the acting Deputy Chief Medical Officer for the First Nations Health Authority. I also maintain my passion for primary care through the First Nations Virtual Doctor of the Day program, in addition to working as a Psychiatry Hospitalist at the Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria. I also have the honor to serve on various committees, including the Joint Standing Committee on Rural Issues, the Family Physicians Services Committee, and as the First Nations Family Physician delegate to the Representative Assembly. In 2022, I gained tremendous experience and insight into the Physician Master Agreement as a member on the Government of BC negotiating committee, supporting as the FNHA representative.

I love the journey of continued learning. With regards to my professional development, since completing UBC's Family Medicine residency in 2017, I have participated in the JCC Compassionate Leadership training, UBC's Sauder School of Business Physician Leadership Program, and most recently completing the FPSC's SFU Leadership and Management Development program. I feel

confident in my ability to practice good governance, including honoring the roles and responsibilities of serving on a board while balancing a wide range of interests and upholding the proud reputation of our organization, and you, my colleagues.

I work to champion and contribute to the improvement of the health care system and support many facets of work addressing transformational health care systems change to improve health and wellness outcomes and experiences for Indigenous peoples in BC. During my time in leadership, I have valued respectful relationships and partnerships. I have continued to sit amongst the intersection of many shared interests, including those of our profession and organization, those of the public and our First Nation communities and Indigenous peoples, and those of our government and health authority partners. I believe this experience and knowledge helps provide a unique lens to apply to any situation, approaching challenges and opportunities in a good way.

I recognize and appreciate that our organization, including the board, and those apart of our profession remain committed to equity of representation, including meaningful efforts to support equity, diversity and inclusion. It would be an honor to serve you on our Board of Directors, and I thank you for considering me as I put my name forward.

hoč čiyεʔanə - I am going to listen

θoč təwšim - I am going to learn

qat^θεtštams p'ap'εm hawhεgus - Working together as leaders for our community

čəčchatənapεč - I thank/honor you all