

VOTE LLOYD OPPEL

Speaker of the Representative Assembly

Dear Colleagues,

I am hoping for your support in the election for Speaker of the Representative Assembly (RA).

We find ourselves at a crucial and strategic time. We have a system that seeks to control doctors and starve our profession of resources that we need to look after patients. This failed agenda demands a strong and unified response from our profession. We need to amplify the physician voice.

Experience

Through this, Doctors of BC continues to fight for the rights of doctors and for the health of our patients. Recent changes at the board and the fact that we have a new CEO highlight our need for leadership that can provide corporate memory, experience, and the ability to work across the profession and in harmony with our partners on the board, the sections, societies and the JCC's.

I bring 15 years of experience on the board, an excellent relationship with our staff and the CEO, a track record of policy development as vice chair of CHEP, and a tenure as Chair of Council for cSBC. My career as a specialist in the ER and my work in Family Practice have given me a broad perspective on the needs of our members. I have served on Audit and Finance, I am the vice-chair of the governance committee, and I have enhanced our public partnerships as Chair of COHP and through work with FPSC.

Leadership

Through this broad experience and broad connections, I can support all RA members to build your voice and influence through our organization and the wider medical leadership circle.

My style of leadership is to offer service. I will serve your needs at the RA. Your voice will be heard. We will ensure that speakers attending the RA honestly answer your questions. The RA will be a safe space for you to bring forward your thoughts, ideas, and feelings.

Opportunities

- The Members of the RA need to be able to bring forward topics for discussion, and I will work with you to ensure that is delivered. I will also ensure that our deliberations are linked to action.
- We need to ensure that RA delegates get clear direction about the role of the RA. Members should receive not only onboarding and mentoring, but also ongoing opportunities for leadership development.
- We should celebrate the potential of the RA. As a unique structure that is 'diverse by design', it's ability to offer a barometer and a bellwether for major issues should be realized.
- The RA can provide not only reactive reflection on issues placed before it, but also provide proactive and generative thinking on the major issues, challenges, and opportunities that face the profession. Having the RA construct such an agenda is one way that the RA can foster leadership skills and advise the board on strategic priorities.

Finally, I hope to offer my extensive experience working with members across the span of our association to address the challenges ahead. I believe in an influential and vibrant RA. I hope you will allow me to work with all of you to make sure that no voice is left out.



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Dr. Lloyd Oppel CV

Education

- MD UBC 1988
- MHSC Population and Public Health 2004

Employment

- Staff Emergency Physician, UBC Hospital 2000-2020
- Physician, UBC Student Health Services 2015 - Present
- Locum, REACH Urgent Care 2020 - Present

Service on Doctors of BC Board

- Vice-Chair, DOBC Board of Directors 2018-2021, 2022
- Member, DOBC Board of Directors, 2007-2008, 2008--Present
- BCFD Board Observer from DOBC Board 2021
- DOBC Executive, Chair of the General Assembly 2014-2015
- BCMA Executive, Secretary Treasurer 2008-2009, 2013-2014
- Member, DOBC CMA General Council Caucus 2007-2017

Societies

- Chair of Council, Specialists of BC, 2016-2020

Service on Doctors of BC Committees

- Vice Chair: Governance Committee 2023
- Governance Committee, 2018-2019
- Vice-Chair Council on Health Economics and Policy (CHEP) 2010-2015, 2020-2021
- Member HR and Compensation Committee 2022-2023
- Chair, Environmental Health Committee 2014-2020
- Chair, Council on Health Promotion (COHP) 2008-2015
- Member, Council on Health Promotion 2008-2020
- Member, Communication and Public Affairs Committee (CPAC) 2009-2016
- Executive Member, Section of Emergency Medicine 2014-2016, 2017
- Member, GPSC Prevention Group 2008-2016
- Member, Constitution and Bylaws Committee 2012-2015
- Member, Allied Health Committee 1995-2014
- Chair, Allied Health Committee 2003-2014
- Vice Chair, Council on Health Promotion 2006-2008
- Member Ad Hoc Clinical Faculty Survey Committee 2010
- Member, Child and Youth Committee 2006-2008
- Chair, Addictive Diseases Committee 2006
- Member, Audit and Finance Committee 2008-2009, 2017-2018
- Member HR and Compensation Committee, 2017-2018

Service on Doctors of BC Working Groups

Member, CHEP working group on Health System Quality 2014-2016
Chair, CHEP Telemedicine Working Group 2014
Member, How's Your Health Working Group 2009-2010
Chair, CHEP/COHP Project Group on Clinical Prevention 2009-2010
Liaison to Clinical Faculty Subcommittee 2009 – 2011

- Chair, East Vancouver Youth Mental Health Project Working Group 2009-2010
- Member, Ministry of Health Clinical Prevention Committee 2007-2010
- Member, Faculty of Medicine Liaison Committee 2007-2015
- Section of Emergency Medicine rep to Provincial Privileging Dictionary 2014-2015, 2017