

Dear Colleagues

I am writing to you today as I am seeking election to the CMA Board as your Doctors of BC representative.

I was recently elected by your board of Doctors of BC to serve out the remainder of my predecessors term in November 2015 when he was unable to continue to serve as the Doctors of BC CMA representative. I am most grateful and appreciative of the board's support in this important position and I am now asking you to support me for a full term as your elected Doctors of BC representative to the CMA.

After attending two meetings of the Canadian Medical Association I have recognized that the reputation as an organization of excellence and dedicated physician and healthcare advocacy is well earned. Currently the organization is undergoing positive change and review, as is our provincial organization, as it moves toward its core functions relevant to practicing physicians, their patients and the goals of health care system excellence. I have found all of the physicians who serve on the CMA board and Doctors of BC board are dedicated and knowledgeable individuals who enthusiastically and very capably represent their colleagues. I believe my experience over the years as the Chair of the Board of Directors of Doctors of BC, as a board member and Chair of Communications at the Canadian Medical Protective Association, as a physician and patient advocate locally, provincially, federal and internationally, brings a strong positive voice to the organization. It is imperative that the "right" people be at the table as we interact with government, the public, our patients and our colleagues. I believe that I am the right candidate to represent physicians and patients of British Columbia and I believe that acknowledgement of my work and my past experience attests to this.

Please vote in the upcoming election when you receive your e-ballot from Everyone Counts Canada, in the next few weeks. Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your time and your continued support.

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