



Dr. Samantha Segal, Rossland BC

Background

My name is Samantha Segal; I am a 50 year old physician in the rural Interior BC. I work as a boarded General Internist in Trail, BC. My scope is quite broad, and I have been involved in Doctors of BC since 2018. I have practiced in the same community for 17 years, building collaborative relationships with specialists, family physician specialists and allied health alike. I completed my Internal medicine training at the University of Connecticut and Internship at Yale, and have a 2 year Fellowship (Dartmouth) in medical dermatology. I also have a subspecialty interest in rheumatology. This has allowed me to provide a difficult but satisfying scope of practice in an area which has an 8 hour round trip to many subspecialties.

I am asking for a 2 year term as your Board Member.

In broad strokes I am a creative and strategic thinker. My areas of interest within doctors of BC have been equity diversity and inclusion, having served on the first EDI Committee. I believe in "Nothing About Us Without Us", it's like flexing the Latin again: *"Nihil de nobis, sine nobis"*.

The fiscal health of our profession is important. In the current mid-pandemic climate, I am well aware of evolving models of care, payment models, and the considerations that will need to be part of upcoming PMA conversations, including MOCAP re-alignment, and supports for physician health and digital transformation. I am able and willing to consider and listen to primary care issues from the evolution of UPCCs, to specialist disparity conversations.

Transparency

Since being part of the Representative Assembly for District 08, I have developed relationships with colleagues from across the province. From city ER physicians, to new GPs in a city, to specialists and others in other similarly rural communities, we all share a need for transparent and effective leadership. I am committed to this principle.

Diversity in Leadership

I am committed to addressing our group as a whole, and recognizing that our diversity is a strength. I serve on the Board of Canadian Physicians with Disability since 2017. I believe in the best person for the job while actively pursuing EDI principles is necessary to ensure we capture as many voices as possible. I have built leadership locally, regionally, and provincially. I completed the Sauder Physician Leadership Program in 2021.

Teamwork

I am a creative and strategic thinker who listens and works well with others. As leaders we recognize we are part of a larger team: a CEO, colleagues, policy experts, Ministry leads, Health Authority. I will approach these from a specialist perspective with respect for all points of view. If elected, I will represent our collective and diverse values to the best of my ability.

Personal

I have two grown step children ages 31 and 29. You can find me in my free time with some canine friends, on the ski slopes, playing on my mountain bike and often falling down in these places , and getting back up.

