

KEY HIGHLIGHTS: SSC FACILITY ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP (SSC FEWG) MEETING: Feb 5, 2026

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSIONS

Status update on **leadership changes**

Strategic planning activities for the Quality Improvement Working Group

An overview of **Facility Engagement (FE) regional activities** and the tables supporting this work

Updates on the roll out of **provincial engagement funding**

Updates on the **SSC patient access driver diagram**

Overview on the provincial **FE program evaluation and survey launch February 25th**

Update on recent and future **knowledge sharing events**

The **FE budget for 2026-27**

REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT *Overview of FE regional tables and projects underway:* Regional FE representatives shared regional engagement updates for:

- **Fraser Health's** President's Council and Physician Recruitment Subcommittee
- **Interior Health's** regional projects and tables: Planetary Health, Patient Transportation, Gender Equity, Hospitalist Community of Practice, Civility Matters, Wellness Matters and President's Table
- **Island Health's** regional projects and tables: iHealth, Health Authority Medical Staff Association Executive Committee, Transparency and Communications and Regional Event
- **Northern Health's** President's Council
- **Provincial Health Services** President's Table and Medical Staff Rules and Bylaws
- **Vancouver Coastal** and **Providence Health** President's Council and Rural and Remote President's Council
- See [here for a more detailed overview](#)

MEETING TOPICS AND DISCUSSIONS

LEADERSHIP CHANGES *Status update:*

Welcome and farewell:

- Jennie Aitken is Island Health's new representative, replacing Alanna Black
- Dr Navneet Sidhu is Doctors of BC's new representative for Fraser Health, replacing Dr Diala El-Zammar
- Dr Christin Fabriel-Leclerc is Doctors of BC's new representative for Northern Health

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT WORKING GROUP (QIWG)

Strategic planning progress update: Dr Eiko Wida provided an update on the QI Central team, which is the subject matter expert group on QI methodology and spread, the strategic planning events planned for Feb 18 and 19th, and the importance of strategic alignment between the QIWG, SSC and FE.

PROVINCIAL ENGAGEMENT *Review and discussion:*

FEWG discussed the provincial engagement funding application criteria and process, recently approved by the working group. Funding is intended to support broader engagement within existing collaborative initiatives across multiple health authorities, and in priority areas. FE will be piloting the funding process with a few projects this year which have demonstrated readiness and existing operational support.

SSC ACCESS DRIVER DIAGRAM *Review and discussion:*

A discussion took place around SSC metrics in response to the Physician Services Committee's (PSC) direction on reporting outcome areas. Given patient access is a priority area for SSC, government and PSC, a subset of FEWG is working on the development of a driver diagram to support provincial guidance on metrics for MSAs to standardize reporting to PSC.

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FE PROVINCIAL EVALUATION 4.0 *Overview and evaluation plan discussion:* An overview was presented on the current provincial program evaluation being conducted by an independent non-profit research and evaluation organization, the Social Research and Demonstration Corporation (SRDC). The firm is using a mixed method, participatory, utilization-focused approach. The purpose is to identify learnings, guide improvements, demonstrate impact, engage partners and ensure accountability. This evaluation will run from Fall 2025 to Spring 2027. It is currently nearing the end of phase one – with a province-wide survey launch, scheduled for February 25, marking the phase completion. Phases two and three will involve survey analysis, administrative data analysis, interim reporting, case study interviews and final reporting.

FE KNOWLEDGE SHARING UPDATE *Updates on recent and future events:* An overview was presented on the two recent Quick Wins workshops, hosted by FE, which aimed to increase knowledge and confidence in identifying measures for FE-funded activities and the Joint Clinical Committees (JCC) Quintuple Aim Framework and Impact Guide. The first session had 60 attendees representing 38 MSAs, while the second session had 47 attendees representing 29 MSAs.

- [Part 1: Wednesday, January 21 from 6-7 P.M. PST](#)
- [Part 2: Thursday, January 22 from 12-1 P.M. PST](#)

The planned March 3rd Visiting Specialists webinar was also discussion, which is a collaboration between SSC and the Joint Standing Committee on Rural Issues.

FE BUDGET SUBMISSION: *Review and discussion for 2026-27:* The group reviewed the FE budget for 2026-27, noting a slight reduction from the draft budget presented in October 2025, due to changes in administration fees and internal staff. No other significant changes were made to the budget.
