

# Bringing It Home: What We Have Learned So Far and Where To Go Next

ECBC Patient Discharge Quality Improvement Team

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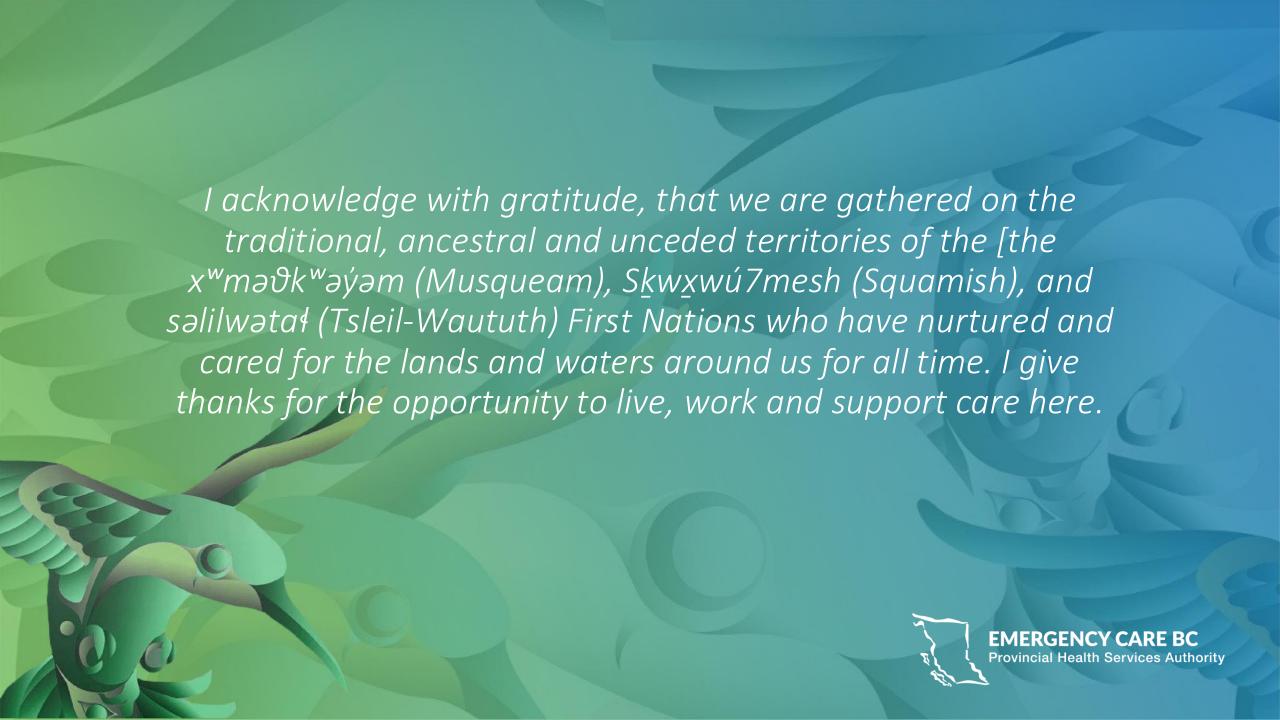
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## Key Learnings from Spring Provincial Discharge Discussion Series

#### January 2024: Best Practices in Discharge, Karanvir Gill



- Discharge implementation strategies
  - Standardized patient discharge resources, easy to access, availability in print and electronic format, translated, appropriate reading level
  - Involvement of caregiver (if requested or needed)
  - Post-discharge follow up (text messages, emails)
  - Connection to social services
- Multiple and varied efforts across EDs to improve discharge approach
  - Standardizing content, delivery, incorporating teach-back methods

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- Integration of patient discharge summaries and education into Cerner CST (VCH)
  - Improved and refined patient discharge summary
  - Shortcut code for QR code linking to ECBC discharge education handouts
  - o Implemented in October 2024
  - Spread to Richmond June 2024
- Challenges
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  - o Specific solution for Cerner, not other HA EMRs (e.g., MediTech)

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**WEMR Integration** Rapid Discharge

QR Code Sheets

EMRs (e.g., MediTech)

#### March 2024: "It's a *GOOD*bye!" Debbie Hendley & Jessica Preston, FH



- Explored needs and barriers
- Role clarification amongst different ED providers performing discharge
  - Mentorship support, staff education
- Discharge instructions can alleviate post-discharge confusion and return to ED
  - Written instructions are especially helpful post-op when patients recovering from sedation or pain
  - Possibly creating patient portal apps to ease access to instructions

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### April 2024:



### Improving Patient Knowledge by Providing Discharge, Jeanette Gordon

- Importance of acknowledging the value of human factor and connection in healthcare
- Importance of an awareness and marketing campaign: change management strategies
  - Effective power of storytelling and patient narratives
  - Present at staff huddles
  - Opportunity for education in waiting rooms of ED's

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#### May 2024:

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## 15 years of Web-based Patient Discharge Information, Dr. Fred Voon

- There is value in local, curated patient discharge educational material
- There is a need for a centralized resource of discharge educational material
- There are pros and cons for paper vs. electronic health material
- Successful implementation of discharge material requires an investigation into the barriers that physicians experience to provide patients with educational material

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#### ECBC's Role in Patient Discharge QI



- 1) Facilitate monthly Provincial Patient Discharge Quality Improvement Series
  - Better understand landscape of discharge QI in BC
  - Network with others and find synergies
  - Share learnings and avoid duplication of efforts or errors



- 2) Review, standardize, and create new patient discharge resources
  - Create discharge material relevant to most common emergency health concerns for British Columbians
  - Apply Dr. Stewart's validated patient discharge sheet design to all ECBC resources
  - Integrate improved graphics, health literacy standards, etc.
- 3) Patient Review of discharge material via workshops
  - To integrate a patient-centered lens in discharge material
  - Apply Patient Approved stamp to all ECBC resources



- 4) Understand workflow and behaviour change management principles for ED providers
  - To better understand how ED front line providers can make changes to their workflow to better integrate patient education in their schedules
  - To investigate how ECBC can help support this change in workflow (ie by developing toolkits, educational tools)
- 5) Support Dr. Jatina Lai's integration of ECBC Patient Discharge resources into Cerner
  - Develop a toolkit and approach to share with other Cerner users
  - Promote the use of the integrated patient discharge function
  - Explore spreading the approach beyond VCH



- 6) Centralize emergency patient discharge material
  - To improve access to discharge material for both patients and providers
  - Provide a trusted, single stop source for quality material





- Integration of diagnosis and patient education materials into Health Gateway
- Province-wide, collaborative approach to developing, maintaining and sustaining high-quality tools with ECBC as the centralized source of discharge resources





- Investigating health literacy standards
- Improving the Patient Discharge Sheet template (visual cues, health education components)
- Clinical Resources Development Framework
- Workflow Change Management Approach and Trial
- Best Practices in Providing High-Quality Discharge Toolkit



#### How Can ECBC Best Support You?



What has been the most effective change management strategy you've seen or used at your site to ensure practitioners and staff discharge patients with the information they'll need at home?



Would you like to see ECBC centralize patient discharge information and tools in one place for all users? How can this be done best?





What topics and/or presenters would you like to see when the discussion series returns in the Fall?





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