

MEDIA ADVISORY

BC Health Care Matters - President's Announcement

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VICTORIA, BC – April 6, 2023—BC Health Care Matters (BCHCM) is a grassroots, apolitical organization that was created to bring together citizens of British Columbia who are deeply frustrated by the ongoing exodus and shortage of Family Doctors in the province. It is a volunteer run registered society whose mission is to advocate for everyone in BC to have timely access to a Family Doctor. We do not align with any political party, we do not receive funds from any political party, and we welcome members from all political parties to join our membership. Healthcare is not a political party issue, it is a human need and right. Advocacy work has to happen everywhere; in our kitchen, in our organizations, on our streets, at our places of work, in our schools and in the legislature.

We are pleased to announce that our **President, Camille Currie, will be running for MLA of Langford/Juan de Fuca**. “I am seeking to represent the people of Langford - Juan de Fuca **to further the work I have been doing in healthcare** and bring the voice and needs of the residents of my community and all of BC into the Legislature.”

Camille Currie has been pivotal in the work BCHCM has done over the last two years. She has shown that she can effectively represent public needs and achieve impactful changes for the people of BC. She has been a fierce advocate for all residents of BC. The advocacy work done by BCHCM volunteers led by Camille Currie was instrumental in the development of the new payment model for BC physicians. It's a model and plan we hope will retain physicians in our communities and attract more of them here to improve attachment and access to healthcare. Nevertheless, the work is nowhere near done. We still have over one million residents in BC without a family doctor and many without timely access to their family doctor. This is simply not acceptable. It is for this reason that Camille has decided to run for MLA, to bring the voices of the people straight to the legislature floor.

Camille said, “I am thrilled to be joining Sonia Furstenau and the BC Green Party team; it is solution focused and it puts the interests of BC residents first. I was born in Metchosin and now reside in Langford with my family. This is where I am from, where I stand firmly in the present and where I am building a future. Access to healthcare is a right, yet in BC it has become more of a privilege for the few. My goal has always been clear; a better, safer, healthier future for all British Columbians.”

As MLA, Camille will be able to speak up for the healthcare needs of not only her community of Langford/Juan de Fuca but the whole province. Let's change the status quo!

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