

# JOINT MEMO



**To:** Members/Employees of Interior Health Authority; BC Nurses' Union

**From:** Strategic Nurse Staffing Committee (IHA-BCNU)

**Date:** July 24, 2020

**Subject:** Strategic Nurse Staffing Committee work has resumed

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The Strategic Nursing Staffing Committee (SNSC) reconvened on May 26, 2020 after a short hiatus due to COVID-19. Once again, the committee discussed both long- and short-term staffing strategies for the Interior Health Authority (IHA).

**Key discussion points included:**

- The Working Group reaffirmed its commitment to continue joint work as outlined in the collective agreement.
- Specialty Education seats are determined through a detailed analysis of the priority needs of specific geographic areas, weighed against the current workforce and the availability of educational seats.
- IHA Surgical restart plans are underway; once confirmed, nursing needs will be discussed at an upcoming SNSC meeting.

The next SNSC meeting was scheduled for the end of June 2020.

**Committee members include:**

- Jennifer Mark – Acting Coordinator, Servicing, BCNU
- Chris Craig – Corporate Director, Compensation, Benefits and HR Planning, IHA
- Vickie Horton – Manager, Labour Relations, IHA
- Rannoch Campbell – Labour Relations, BCNU
- Sharon Cook – Executive Director, Clinical Operations, Central Okanagan, IHA
- Tracy Quewezance – Chair, Thompson North Okanagan Region, BCNU

If you have any questions, please contact your HR advisor or BCNU steward.