

NEWS RELEASE

British Columbia Dental Hygienists Association

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BCDHA Welcomes Two New Team Members

BURNABY--BCDHA is excited to announce that Shannon Wilson and Jas Chahal have joined the BCDHA team as practice advisors.

The Association has realigned some internal structures in order to better meet the needs of members. Following the departure of a long-time staff member, "Member Services" will now be overseen by our Practice Division. This will allow for stronger engagement with members and for BCDHA to be even more responsive to member requests and issues.

Please join us in welcoming Shannon and Jas to the team.

Shannon Wilson, Practice Advisor

Shannon is a Dental Hygiene Practitioner who comes to BCDHA with a strong background in clinical practice, academia, curriculum writing, mentorship and strategic planning. Her background includes several advanced skills including nitrous oxide, local anaesthetic and Invisalign training. Shannon will focus on supporting members of the dental hygiene community with questions and concerns about practice and the profession. She will also lead and facilitate a number of special projects to help advance the profession. You can reach Shannon at swilson@bcdha.com.

Jas Chahal, Practice Advisor & Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Lead

Jas is a Registered Dental Hygienist who is ready to tackle many of the challenges the profession and the province face when it comes to ensuring both patients and hygienists have fair and equitable opportunities to practice or seek unbiased and appropriate care. Jas will be working to ensure the rights of all BIPOC hygienists and patients are respected and advanced, and that BCDHA continuously and intentionally works to advance the rights of all persons of colour in our programs and communications. Jas will also be providing practice advice, primarily related to employment supports. You can find Jas at jchahal@bcdha.com

We are very excited to welcome both Jas and Shannon to the BCDHA team as we strive to provide more opportunities for BC Dental Hygienists to engage in building the future of healthcare in BC.

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