

August 1, 2025

Bob Wells
Mayor, Town of Courtenay
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VIA EMAIL: mayor@courtenay.ca

Re: Invitation to Attend the Health Forward Summit – November 13, 2025

Dear Mayor Wells:

On behalf of the Nanaimo Regional Hospital District (NRHD) Board, I am pleased to extend a warm invitation to you and your Council members to attend the upcoming one-day healthcare summit called *Health Forward: Advancing Healthcare in Central and North Vancouver Island*.

The NRHD-hosted summit will take place on Thursday, November 13, 2025, at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo, and will bring together leaders from First Nations, local governments, the Province, community health organizations and the business sector to foster dialogue on a wide range of healthcare issues, strengthen partnerships and help shape strategies for the future of healthcare in the region.

We would be pleased if you and your fellow elected officials would consider attending this important event. Your presence would highlight your commitment to strengthening healthcare across Central and North Vancouver Island, while also showcasing the vital role local governments play in supporting the region's health system.

While the agenda is currently being finalized, we wanted to reach out early to express our hope that you will be able to join us. Further details, including the event agenda, program and registration information will be shared once available.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to welcome you to this important event. Meanwhile, if I can be a resource in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Health Forward: Advancing Healthcare in Central and North Vancouver Island

Presented by:



Join us for a thought-provoking Health Summit!

The Summit will bring together leaders from First Nations, the Province, local governments, health authorities, community health organizations and the business sector to discuss the future of healthcare in Central and North Vancouver Island. This event will spotlight progress that has been made, spark collaboration on future solutions to existing healthcare challenges and strengthen our shared commitment to building a healthier, more resilient Vancouver Island.

Why Attend?

- Connect with leaders from diverse organizations
- Build strategic partnerships
- Engage in meaningful discussions about improving healthcare in the region
- Gain insights into regional healthcare priorities, challenges and future directions
- Stay informed about healthcare trends
- Explore how you can contribute to healthcare infrastructure and services in the region

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**Vancouver Island
Conference Centre**

8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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