



# **PHSA CONSTITUTION**

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1. The name of the society is PROVINCIAL HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORITY (the “Authority”).
2. The purposes of the Society are to:
  - (a) Plan, manage, and as appropriate, operate the integrated delivery of Province-wide health care services and health protection services, in a manner consistent with Provincial health policy, including without limitation, any administrative and related services and activities in support of and complementary to such health care services or health protection services.
  - (b) Establish and maintain one or more branches which shall have such powers not exceeding the powers of the Authority, as the Authority may from time to time confirm;
  - (c) Integrate, through creation of branch operations of the Authority or otherwise, various non-profit organizations whose mandate involves the provision of Province-wide health care and health protection services and programs, including without limitation, the following undertakings and facilities within the Province:
    - (i) British Columbia Cancer Agency
    - (ii) British Columbia Centre for Disease Control and Prevention Society
    - (iii) British Columbia Mental Health Society
    - (iv) British Columbia Transplant Society
    - (v) Children and Women’s Health Center of British Columbiaand such other facilities and undertakings serving Provincial health needs as may be identified by the Authority or the Minister of Health of the Province of British Columbia within and throughout the Province of British Columbia;
  - (d) Develop and provide community, public and general health policy advice to the Minister of Health of the Province of British Columbia;
  - (e) Set priorities, prepare and submit budgets to the Minister of Health of the Province of British Columbia and allocate Provincial resources for the delivery of health services on a Province-wide basis;
  - (f) Establish or acquire, through branch operations or otherwise, non-profit hospital facilities or programs within the Province of British Columbia, by purchase, gift, transfer, lease or otherwise, and to maintain and operate on a non-profit basis

hospitals for the reception, treatment, and caring of persons suffering from physical or mental illness, disorder or disability which requires that the patients receive hospital care;

- (g) Establish or acquire, through branch operations or otherwise, non-profit health or community facilities or programs within the Province of British Columbia, by purchase, gift, transfer, lease, or otherwise, and to maintain and operate on a non-profit basis health care or community facilities for out-patient reception, treatment and caring of persons suffering from physical or mental illness, disorder or disability;
- (h) Provide specialty health support services for persons requiring same in the course of prevention, detection and control of communicable disease;
- (i) Give aid in coordinating and correlating the efforts of individuals, corporations, societies, associations or partnerships to reduce the mortality from cancer or other disease;
- (j) Carry on any educational activities, teaching and research related to the diagnosis and care of the sick or disabled and the prevention of disease, as well as the promotion of general health of the people of British Columbia;
- (k) Plan, coordinate, manage and publicize the human organ donor activities in the Province;
- (l) Acquire by gift, bequest, lease, exchange, transfer, purchase or otherwise, any lands, buildings or hereditaments whether freehold or leasehold or any other assets for the use of the Authority;
- (m) Make grants to, lend money to or guarantee the contracts of or otherwise assist any corporation, society, association, partnership or individual who is engaged in activities which may usefully be carried on in conjunction with the purposes of the Authority;
- (n) Incidentally to the purposes set out in clauses 2(a) to (m),
  - (i) To acquire, construct, hold, supply, operate, manage and maintain housing accommodation and incidental facilities for persons in British Columbia according to their needs including, without limitation the generality of this paragraph:
    - A. families and individuals of low and moderate income;
    - B. the aged;

C. functionally handicapped persons; and

(ii) to operate those and manage commercial facilities of those facilities are part of a housing facility operated by a Regional Health Board.

(o) Upon the written authority of, and the conditions imposed by, the Minister of Health of the Province of British Columbia, the Authority may deliver health care services and health protection services as described above, to legal entities outside the boundaries of the Province of British Columbia.