

# Emergency Health Services: Collaboration Agreements in Rural Communities



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# Why we are here

- To provide updates on engagement planning
- To let you know about our upcoming discussion framework and how you can give us feedback on it
- To get feedback on what's important to you moving forward

# UBCM Engagement - September

- Summary of feedback from participants:
  - Improved collaboration and communication between emergency services is required
  - Medium and high-acuity calls are a main concern
  - There needs to be a focus on rural municipalities
  - Support for municipal and regional district participation

# Updates since UBCM

- BCEHS is developing a discussion framework to guide the conversation around developing a new collaboration agreement.
- This will include:
  - Collaboration principles for BCEHS, municipalities and FR services.
  - Responsibilities and expectations of the parties.
  - Oversight and involvement by the local governing authority.
  - Operational response plan for each First Responder service.
  - Address outstanding questions through consultation.

# Clinical Response Model – Rural Impacts



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- Notification to medical emergencies is guided by the Clinical Response Model
- BCEHS is establishing a Rural First Responders Working Group that will address notification practices in rural, remote, and isolated communities

# Consultation Planning

- Consultation plan is being developed by the MOH
- Proposed Collaboration Agreement Framework to be sent out and receive feedback on
- Feedback on this framework can be sent to [Provincial.Services.Engagement@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Provincial.Services.Engagement@gov.bc.ca)

# Questions for you

UBCM feedback indicated that there needs to be more of a focus on engaging with rural communities

- **What are some specific considerations for first responder services in rural, remote or isolated communities?**

# Questions for you

UBCM feedback indicated that medium and high-acuity calls cause the most concern amongst municipalities

- **What does improvement in this area look like to you?**



# Closing

- We want to hear from you! Please send us feedback to:  
[Provincial.Services.Engagement@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Provincial.Services.Engagement@gov.bc.ca)
- Your feedback will aid in the development of updated collaboration agreements that are mutually agreeable.

# Questions for us

