

Health, Public Health & Provincial Systems

Connecting community needs with health and provincial supports.



These representatives connect Task Force discussions with mental-health and substance-use services, community health, system navigation, income assistance, disability supports, and provincial programs.

Elizabeth Driver

Island Health

Elizabeth brings knowledge of mental-health and substance-use services and the broader health system serving Oceanside. Her participation supports communication, identification of service gaps, and stronger local coordination. Her system-level perspective helps connect Task Force priorities with appropriate Island Health teams, programs, and planning conversations.

Learn more: www.islandhealth.ca

Brandon Riopka

Island Health

Brandon contributes health-system knowledge, social-work experience, community connection, and practical system-navigation expertise. His participation helps identify where stronger communication and referral pathways are required. By connecting frontline observations with health-service planning, he supports more coordinated responses for people facing complex health, housing, and social-service barriers.

Learn more: www.islandhealth.ca

Kajsa Stefiuk

Public Health Nurse, Island Health

Kajsa brings knowledge of community health, prevention, harm reduction, health education, outreach, and population-level needs. Her participation connects local planning with public-health practice and current community conditions. Her frontline public-health perspective helps ensure discussions reflect emerging health concerns, barriers to care, and opportunities for practical prevention and outreach.

Learn more: www.islandhealth.ca/our-services/public-health-services

Tracie Prosperi-Porta

Provincial Ministry Representative

Tracie helps clarify provincial income and social-support processes, identify access barriers, and strengthen connections between community organizations and provincial programs. Her participation supports clearer communication about available benefits, eligibility requirements, and system challenges affecting people experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

Learn more: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/income-assistance

Danielle Wittmyer

Provincial Ministry Representative

Danielle contributes knowledge of income assistance, disability supports, eligibility processes, and provincial social programs. Her participation supports clearer navigation and communication between local services and provincial systems. This connection helps community partners better understand program requirements, resolve referral barriers, and identify where additional coordination may improve access to essential supports.

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