

Improving our Health

Community First Funding and Strongest Families

\$600,000

An investment in Community First
Funding will build on a foundational
principle for Mental Health and Addictions
Redevelopment. Strongest Families
Programs are designed to support
children and youth from 3-17 years of
age, as well as their families, and adult
programs are available for individuals 18
and over.

Physicians

\$8.7 Million

As we continue to build on medical homes and neighborhoods, the Province will increase specialized capacity within hospitals by adding physicians across multiple specialties and related supports including: General surgery; Geriatrics and Psychiatry; Pediatrics at QEH and PCH; PCH Obstetrician/Gynecologist; Ophthalmology; Radiology, Specialist & Telemedicine Clinic; QEH Hospitalist line; PCH Hospitalist line; Chronic Pain; ADHD - Family Physician; and Medical Directors including physician renumeration for patient record review as part of conversion to electronic medical records.

Health Recruitment and RN Stabilization Strategy

\$1.4 Million

Additional recruitment initiatives coupled with a centrally-managed float pool of approximately 25 RNs based out of four zones will be assigned based on the most urgent needs and fill short term vacancies, avoiding unit and bed closures, and mitigating impacts to patient care.

Medical Homes and Neighborhoods

\$2.7 Million

Part of an annualized investment of \$10.4M over three years, the medical homes and neighborhoods project will continue to add physicians, NPs, RNs, LPNS, dieticians, social workers and support staff to work collaboratively to support patient needs.

Better Care at Home

\$280,000

An increased investment into the Home Care program will allow for Nurse Practitioner services and supports to be delivered to unaffiliated patients who receive homecare services, supporting individuals to remain at home safely and return home as soon as possible from hospital.

Provincial Dental Care Program

\$3.5 Million

The Provincial Dental Care program that was launched in 2021 will receive an increased investment of \$1.5 Million to continue to offer free dental care to Islanders at or below Market Basket Measure. In addition, a sliding scale applied above the Market Basket Measure will provide coverage to 8,000 additional low-income Islanders.



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