

## **SECTION 2 - ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

### **2.1 HEALTH AUTHORITIES**

The Ministry of Health works with BC's health authorities to provide British Columbians with quality, appropriate, and timely health services.

The ministry sets province-wide goals, standards and performance agreements for health service delivery by the health authorities:

NORTHERN HEALTH

INTERIOR HEALTH

VANCOUVER ISLAND HEALTH AUTHORITY

VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH

FRASER HEALTH

### **2.2 AREAS**

For the BCAHA operational purposes, the Province of British Columbia has been divided into the following 6 Areas:

FRASER VALLEY

KOOTENAY BOUNDARY

LOWER MAINLAND

NORTH

OKANAGAN MAINLINE

VANCOUVER ISLAND

The Board has the power to determine and may, from time to time, re-determine the boundaries of the Areas (Article 6.1 of Bylaws).

## 2.3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### **President**

Elected for a maximum of 2 full consecutive one-year terms.  
May be extended for but limited to an additional year.  
Upon completion, moves into the Immediate Past President position.

### **Vice President**

Elected for a maximum of 2 full consecutive one-year terms

### **Secretary**

Elected for a one-year term

### **Director of Finance**

Elected for a maximum of 5 full consecutive one-year terms

### **Director of Communications**

Elected for a maximum of 5 full consecutive one-year terms

### **Immediate Past President Board**

Elected for a maximum of 2 full consecutive one-year terms.  
May be extended for but limited to an additional year.  
Upon completion, moves off the Board

### **6 Area Directors**

Elected for 1-year terms at Area AGM  
Maximum of 3 one-year terms

## 2.4 OFFICERS (Executive Committee)

The Officers of the BCAHA are:

PRESIDENT  
VICE PRESIDENT  
SECRETARY  
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS  
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

The officers comprise the Executive Committee and are responsible for the management of the affairs of the Society between Board meetings, for the custody of all records and documents of the Society and the supervision and evaluation of staff and contractors.

(4.15 of Bylaws)

## 2.5 HIGHLIGHTS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION OF HEALTHCARE AUXILIARIES

Hospital Auxiliaries have existed in British Columbia since the end of the 19th century. In 1889 Vancouver General Hospital Auxiliary was the first to be incorporated followed by Chemainus in 1889 and Nanaimo in 1900.

The Association has had several name changes over the years:

- In the early '40s, the name was "The Women's Auxiliaries to the B.C. Hospitals".
- In 1945 a new organization formed and was called "Women's Hospital Aids Association of the Province of British Columbia".
- In 1949 the Association's name was changed to "British Columbia Association of Hospital Auxiliaries".
- In 1993 the Association's name was changed to the British Columbia Association of Health-Care Auxiliaries.
- In 2012 the Association's name was changed to the British Columbia Association of Healthcare Auxiliaries.

In 1954 a coordinating body for auxiliaries was formed.  
*6,000 members donated \$3,000,000.*

In 1975 the Association became incorporated as a non-profit society.  
*9,801 members donated \$747,256 (232,482 volunteer hours)*

In 1994 the Association became a registered charity.  
*9,082 members donated \$639,442 (1,327,075 volunteer hours)*  
*April 24, 1994, a Special Event Newspaper of the BCAHA was prepared under the guidance of Dave Golden, Education Director of the Canadian Daily Newspaper Association, Toronto, Joan McAlpine, BCAHA, Victoria, and with the assistance of the Student Editorial Board of the Nanaimo Daily Free Press. This Publication which appeared as a supplement to the Vancouver Sun, celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the British Columbia Association of Healthcare Auxiliaries.*

1993-2000 Her Honor, E. Jane Rogers, *Chatelaine* of British Columbia, was our first patron.

2001-2007 Her Honor, Iona Campagnola, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, was our patron.

2004 *6,648 members donated \$5,940,811 (1,135,497 volunteer hours)*

2006 our website - [www.bcaux.ca](http://www.bcaux.ca) was introduced.

2007 Registered charities and members of the British Columbia Association of Health-Care Auxiliaries became eligible for a PST tax rebate on medical equipment acquired after February 21, 2007.

- Her Honor, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Iona Campanula, attended our Provincial conference held in Nanaimo, B.C.
- 2008 The Provincial Government declared May 10, 2008, as Health-Care Auxiliary Day.
- The Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Steven L Point, OBC, became our patron. 2007-2012
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- 2011 Barrie Lynch was appointed Executive Director.
- His Honor, Steven L. Point, OBC, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, attended our Provincial conference held in Richmond, BC.
- The Provincial Government declared May 10, 2011, as Health-Care Auxiliary Day
- 2- Auxiliary Action began electronic distribution in 2014
- 2012 BC Annual Report – “Sharing our Stories” was introduced.
- BCAHA’S new website [bchealthcareaux.org](http://bchealthcareaux.org) was launched
- Auxiliary Action was made available through a website subscription.
- 6,697 members donated \$ 7, 813,274 (1,279,562 hours).
- On October 1, Judith Guichon, OBC was appointed BC LT. Governor and became our Patron. 2012-2018
- The Provincial Government declared May 10, 2012, Healthcare Auxiliary Day.
- 2013 The Provincial Government declared May 10, 2013, Healthcare Auxiliary Day.
- In July 2013, Helen Carkner assumed the Role of BCAHA Executive Director.
- 2014 BCAHA Auxiliary Executive Handbook was introduced.
- The Provincial Government declared May 10, 2014, as Healthcare Auxiliary Day.
- Auxiliary Action began electronic distribution.
- 2015 BCAHA Auxiliaries resolved to hold a shorter provincial Conference in even Numbered years commencing in 2016.

- The provincial Government proclaimed May 9, 2015, as Healthcare Auxiliary Day.
- 2016 First shorter BCAHA Provincial Leadership Forum, “Listen, Learn, Lead” held in Penticton.
- Members choose the new BCAHA crest.
- LT. Governor Guichon proclaims May 10, Healthcare Auxiliary Day.
- 2017 Her Honor, LT. Governor Guichon, OBC, attends BCAHA Provincial Conference in Kamloops B.C.
- Auxiliary Affirmation was introduced as an option to the traditional BCAHA prayer.
- May 10, 2017, is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by LT. Governor Guichon.
- 2018 Second BCAHA Provincial Leadership Forum, “Strategies for Success” held in Harrison Hot Springs.
- May 10, 2018, is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by LT. Governor Guichon.
- 2019 Janet Austin is appointed BC. LT. Governor and becomes BCAHA Patron.
- Her Honor, LT Governor Austin, OBC attends the BCAHA Provincial Conference in Prince George.
- May 10, 2019, is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by LT. Governor Austin, OBC.
- 2020 Conference in Penticton Cancelled due to Covid 19
- May 9th is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by LT Governor Austin, OBC.
- 2021 Conference in Kamloops was Cancelled due to Covid 19
- BCAHA 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by LT Governor Austin, OBC
- Fall of 2021 New Website was launched
- 2022 April 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Provincial Conference held in Kamloops, BC
- May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, is proclaimed Healthcare Auxiliary Day by Lt Governor Austin, OBC

2023

BCAHA AGM held electronically April 2023

BC Annual Report – “on the road again”- outreach visitation Program expanded.

Membership stands at 63 Auxiliaries – 4895 members

937,576 volunteer hours

Donated to Provincial Healthcare - \$7,265,575.98

Donated to Bursaries- \$345,530. 00

Donated to Outreach Programs \$1,318,149.76

2024

