

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Hodges, Nell AEIT:EX
Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2013 9:38 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: Traditional Chinese Medicine
Attachments: TCM IN2013-VPER029.docx; ATT00001.htm

Importance: High

Hi Lori --
Will come to discuss. What's your schedule like today?

Thanks.
Nell

From: Thompson, Joseph AEIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2013 1:57 PM
To: Hodges, Nell AEIT:EX
Cc: Minty, Dawn M AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: Traditional Chinese Medicine
Importance: High

Hi Nell. Please treat as confidential.

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Joe Thompson

A/Assistant Deputy Minister
Student Services and Sector Resource Management Division
Ministry of Advanced Education, Innovation and Technology
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From: Philip Steenkamp [<mailto:psteenka@sfu.ca>]
Sent: Friday, March 1, 2013 1:46 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AEIT:EX; Thompson, Joseph AEIT:EX
Subject: Traditional Chinese Medicine

Dawn and Joe,

Please find attached

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Let me know what you think.

Philip

Pages 3 through 8 redacted for the following reasons:

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90 DAY ISSUE NOTE

Issue:

- Throne Speech 2013 commitment to 'Begin work to create the environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a British Columbia post-secondary institution'.

Background:

- The Ministry of Advanced Education, Innovation and Technology (AEIT) works with post-secondary institutions and the Ministry of Health (MOH) to align health program delivery and expansion with current and future health human resource needs and supports Government's goals for health delivery, post-secondary education and skill development.
- Since 2008, an annual health education planning process has been established between AEIT and MOH. MOH is responsible for identifying priorities for health education program expansion while AEIT works with post-secondary institutions to facilitate and ensure alignment with available budgets; provincial coordination and system rationalisation; sufficient institutional capacity, student access, sufficient clinical placement capacity; and distribution to meet regional health human resource demand. A mix of recruitment, retention, education and other strategies is needed to address current and projected demand.
- AEIT reviews all new degree and non-degree health programs at public colleges and institutes based on priorities and direction provided by MOH and other education program considerations.
- All new degree programs from private institutions first must undergo a quality assessment process overseen by the Degree Quality Assessment Board, who makes recommendations to the Minister.
- Traditional Chinese Medicine is a designated health profession under the Health Professions Act (since 1999) and is regulated by the *College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia*.
- Traditional Chinese Medicine graduates are licenced to practice as either a Registered Acupuncturist (R.Ac), Registered TCM Herbalist (R. TCM.H), Registered TCM Practitioner (R. TCM. P) or Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (Dr.TCM)



April 2013

- There are currently six private institutions that offer Traditional Chinese Medicine training registered with the Private Career Training Institution Agency. There are no public post-secondary institutions offering Traditional Chinese Medicine degree or non-degree programs in B.C.
- Since the Throne Speech 2013, AEIT has received a number of inquiries from private Traditional Chinese Medicine schools to go through the degree approval process.
- The Degree Quality Assessment Board and AEIT developed a policy document regarding the review of degrees in Traditional Chinese Medicine in 2007. Since that framework was developed, there have been no institution applications to deliver a formal degree in Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- At this time MOH has not received direction to incorporate Traditional Chinese Medicine graduates into its Health Human Resource forecast model or planning processes.

Decision required:

- **This is a 90 day issue.**
- There is no decision required on this issue at this time.
- Ministry staff will continue to work closely with Ministry of Health to determine health human resource needs for this profession and work with public post-secondary institutions to align any proposed Traditional Chinese Medicine degree with health education priorities.

Marczyk, Connie L AEIT:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2013 12:08 PM
To: Marczyk, Connie L AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: TCM

From: Tru Freeman [<mailto:Tru.Freeman@kwantlen.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 6:46 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: RE: TCM

Tuesday, February 26, 2012
Hi Lori,

Thanks for getting back to us. That's good to know. At least it isn't already decided!

Tru

From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX [Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: February-25-13 20:57
To: Tru Freeman
Subject: RE: TCM

Hello Tru,

Thank you for your interest in a TCM degree. The Ministry is still considering the options and implications associated with this aspect of the Throne Speech.

So in short, I don't yet have any insights!

Best regards,

Lori

From: Tru Freeman [<mailto:Tru.Freeman@kwantlen.ca>]
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 9:27 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: TCM

Friday, February 15, 2013
Hi Lori,

Hope all is well on your end! Just wondered if you knew anything about this statement in the throne speech. Kwantlen has been actively discussing pursuing a TCM degree; we feel with our health faculty and the additional horticulture focus (for the medicine portion) we would be in a good place to be able to deliver this kind of programming.

Do you know if there is another PSE that the government is considering? This was on page 21/22 of the throne speech? Any insight would be helpful

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From: Loughran, Tony D AEIT:EX
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2013 12:40 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: Re: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Yes, I'm okay with that addition. Thanks.

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On 2013-06-14, at 12:34 PM, "MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX" <Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Tony – are you okay with adding a bullet on the advisory committee (highlighted below)?

From: Grewar, Colin GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2013 12:09 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Sorry Lori: Just came across some response bullets we provided for a few media requests back in February inquiring about the Throne Speech commitment on a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Are these a bit better?

- An innovative health-care system must respond to the changing needs of its citizens and embrace practices beyond traditional western medicine.
- We have begun work to create the environment for a school of traditional Chinese medicine at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.
- The Ministry of Advanced Education, Innovation and Technology will be working with its post-secondary and health partners over the coming months to move forward on this initiative.
- As with all new schools and post-secondary training programs, there are a number of steps that need to occur before any new School can open and offer training.
- The Ministry will begin work to establish an advisory committee to help guide this work.
- No decisions have been made at this time about which institution would house this school.

Thanks,
Colin

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From: Grewar, Colin GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2013 11:54 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Hi Lori: We're creating a few key messages regarding platform commitments related to AVED. One of those commitments was to:

Partner with a publicly funded post-secondary institution to develop a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine – convene an advisory committee following the election to help guide the development of this new school.

Do these KMs look ok? Would be great if you had anything more current or specific to add.

- We have begun work to create the environment for a school of traditional Chinese medicine at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.
- An innovative health-care system must respond to the changing needs of its citizens and embrace practices beyond traditional western medicine.
- A high-quality, innovative and accessible health care system is an essential component of a strong economy.

Thanks,
Colin

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School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

TALKING POINTS:

- **A School of Traditional Chinese Medicine with international partnerships has the potential to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.**
- **We have begun work to create the environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.**
- **The Ministry of Advanced Education will be working with its post-secondary and health partners over the coming months to move forward on this initiative.**
- **As with all new schools and post-secondary programs, there are a number of steps that need to occur before any new school can open and offer training.**
- **The Ministry will begin work to establish an advisory committee to help guide this work.**
- **No decisions have been made at this time about which institution would house this school.**

KEY POINTS AND BACKGROUND:

- The February 2013 Speech from the Throne commits that “government will begin work to create the environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.”
- Traditional Chinese Medicine is a designated health profession under the *Health Professions Act* (since 1999) and is regulated by the *College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia*. In order to practice Traditional Chinese Medicine and acupuncture in British Columbia, individuals must have a valid registration (professional licence) issued by the regulatory College.
- *The Health Professions Act* defines traditional Chinese medicine as the promotion, maintenance and restoration of health and prevention of a disorder, imbalance or disease based on traditional Chinese medicine theory by utilization of the primary therapies of Chinese acupuncture (Zhen), moxibustion (Jiu) and suction cup (Ba Guan); Chinese manipulative therapy (Tui Na); Chinese energy control therapy (Qi Gong); Chinese rehabilitation exercises such as Chinese shadow boxing (Tai Ji Quan); and prescribing, compounding or dispensing Chinese herbal formulae (Zhong Yao Chu Fang) and Chinese food cure recipes (Shi Liao).
- The Ministry of Health is responsible for identifying priorities for health education program delivery and expansion as part of health human resource planning.
- Several private institutions in British Columbia offer diploma programs leading to a Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine and/or Practitioner of Traditional Chinese Medicine, as well as related programs such as acupuncture, herbal therapy and massage therapy. All are accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency.

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2013 4:07 PM
To: Beckett, Daryl K HLTH:EX
Cc: Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AEIT:EX
Subject: Traditional Chinese Medicine

Hi Daryl,

The Throne Speech commitment regarding TCM (establish a school of TCM at a public post-secondary institution) is assigned to my branch. AVED is also in receipt of a degree program proposal from a private training institution to offer a Bachelor of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Acupuncture.

Would you be willing to meet with Dorothy Rogers and I in the next couple of weeks to discuss TCM program recognition and how you would like to be involved in the work to establish a school of TCM at a public post-secondary institution?


Best regards,

Lori

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2013 1:23 PM
To: Beckett, Daryl K HLTH:EX; McLachlan, Debbie HLTH:EX; Kilpatrick, Rosalyn AEIT:EX; Simmons, Vicki AEIT:EX
Cc: Marczyk, Connie L AEIT:EX; Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX
Subject: Traditional Chinese Medicine Meeting - Draft Agenda

Hello,

In preparation for the meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 27th, below is a draft agenda:

1. Overview of throne speech commitment and implementation plan .
2. Entry-to-practice credential and education requirements for registration with CTCMA.
3. Labour market demand for TCM practitioners.
4. Participation in planning and/or advisory committee


I will also seek approval to background information in advance of the meeting.

Lori

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From: Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 8:30 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: TCM Implementation Plan - for Review
Attachments: TCM Implementation Plan Template.docx

Hi Lori,

I know you probably moved this along, but here are my thoughts. . I think it is really well done, but tough with those timelines. I think that you need more time with the advisory committee prior to starting consultation. You might need someone close that speaks Mandarin (either on the committee or the staff resources). Part of the challenge will be showing the value of this education to the system.

One of the key things that someone will need to tackle is "What problem are you trying to solve." I know you have touched on it in the paper, but it will be the challenge of trying to convince the system that this is such a worthwhile project that resources could be spent on.

You didn't mention the issue of entry to practice (I believe that it is pan-Canadian isn't it?), which I think is key. I don't think govt would want to spend \$\$\$ to have a school only offering diplomas.

Let me know if you want to discuss?

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2013 10:50 AM
To: Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: TCM Implementation Plan - for Review

Interested in your thoughts, please and thank you!

From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2013 3:47 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AEIT:EX
Cc: Larson, Janice AEIT:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AEIT:EX
Subject: TCM Implementation Plan - for Review

Hello Tony,

Attached is the first draft of the implementation plan for the TCM commitment for your review and feedback.

Lori

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From: Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 8:54 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: RE: Fwd: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine
Attachments: Forum2009_final.pdf

I am in the office until 10 am then off to Prince George (if you want to speak prior?)

Have you started the Terms of Reference?

My thoughts on composition:

Someone from the CTCMA, someone from health, someone familiar with education quality (I would suggest Brian Gillespie given he was there when we were dealing with the TCM degree proposals), people from the influential health departments (so you can start working on recognition).

I am concerned with having someone from the private schools, but I think you need to have one. The CTCMA or PCTIA might be able to provide a guide as to which are the best schools to approach. I think there is one in s.17 that is well respected and they might not have as much concern with competition.

This initiative will likely s.17

If you plan to go international – I believe that s.17 as a good reputation. It is more holistic medicine, but they do offer acupuncture. s.17

I think that Australia might have it in the public system.

I believe that there may be proponents that went to the attached conference in 2009?

Dorothy

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Saturday, June 22, 2013 8:30 PM
To: Rogers, Dorothy AEIT:EX
Subject: Fw: Fwd: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

I would really really appreciate your thoughts on this!

From: Loughran, Tony D AEIT:EX
Sent: Saturday, June 22, 2013 05:52 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX

Subject: Fwd: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Hi Lori,

Could we please meet early on Monday to sort this out.

Tony

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Meadows, Jennifer L AEIT:EX" <Jennifer.Meadows@gov.bc.ca>
Date: 21 June, 2013 8:56:20 PM PDT
To: "Loughran, Tony D AEIT:EX" <Tony.Loughran@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Hi Tony

Can you please provide me with an update/appropriate response that I can provide to Sabrina and James?

Thanks
Jennifer

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Date: 21 June, 2013 3:40:07 PM PDT
To: "Meadows, Jennifer L AEIT:EX" <Jennifer.Meadows@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: "Gorman, James AEIT:EX" <James.Gorman@gov.bc.ca>
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Date: 24 June, 2013 8:59:26 AM PDT
To: "Meadows, Jennifer L AEIT:EX" <Jennifer.Meadows@gov.bc.ca>, "Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX" <Jeannette.Cook@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Hi Jennifer,

I'll meet with staff this morning to discuss this and see what we can come up with, but it's going to be on the light side.

The concept to establish an advisory committee is something that has only recently been floated. There hasn't been any terms of reference developed yet and at this stage we haven't begun identifying potential membership. However, I think we can potentially state that we would want s.13

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Tony

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Date: 24 June, 2013 8:46:18 AM PDT
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Cc: "MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX" <Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Good morning,

Please see question below from MO and advise as soon as possible. Thank you.

Jeannette

From: Meadows, Jennifer L AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 8:41 AM

To: Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Hi Jeannette,

I had sent the email below to Tony on the weekend. I'm looking to get an update on this, this morning if possible.

Thanks
Jennifer

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From: Loughran, Tony D AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2013 10:42 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: RE: Question from MO: Advisory Committee Chinese Medicine

Thanks Lori. Hopefully that should suffice for now.

Do you know whether the idea of Dawn chairing the committee was ever vetted with Dawn?

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From: Tru Freeman [Tru.Freeman@kpu.ca]
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2013 2:18 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: Great seeing you yesterday

Friday, June 28, 2013
Hi Lori,

Just wanted to thank you again for taking the time to meet with me for lunch. It was great to catch up and it's always good to know that I'm thinking along the right path for where the government is heading. I thought the meeting was very productive and I came away feeling quite energized about the discussions.

I'm not sure who is making up the list for the TCM Advisory, but if I could suggest Dr. Arden Henley, you might find him helpful. He has a broad perspective about TCM and because he has previously worked with the College, has a lot of insight.

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Thanks, Tru
P.S. Enjoy the long weekend! Looks like it's going to be an amazing 2 weeks!



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Sent: Friday, July 5, 2013 4:15 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AEIT:EX
Cc: Fountain, Kathy B AEIT:EX
Subject: TCM Implementation Plan - Revised
Attachments: TCM Implementation Plan V2.docx

Hello Dawn,

My apologies for not attending this morning's calendar meeting. I was attending the Vancouver Island region health human resource and education meeting at Camosun for the entire morning.

Attached for your review is a revised implementation plan for TCM that I hope reflects the recent direction received.

Note that I have recently heard from another institution that is interested in TCM. I have therefore not included any institutional names in material until further we have more clarity on institutional interest, capacity, etc.

Lori

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From: Pocock, Sharon GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, July 8, 2013 4:39 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Cc: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Subject: Event Plan - School of TCM
Attachments: EP_School of Traditional Chinese Medicine_July5_1pm.doc

Lori, here's the electronic copy of the School of TCM event plan. No doubt we will talk more about this when we meet. I'll set something up.

Cheers
Sharon

Sharon Pocock
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**Event Proposal – For PREM Consideration
MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION**

Event Title: Announcement of new School of Traditional Chinese Medicine including host post-secondary institution and details of school

Date: September 2013 – date tbc Time:	Media Market: Provincial, Chinese
Location: TBC	English Media Spokesperson: Premier Christy Clark and/or Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education Multicultural Media Spokesperson: Premier Christy Clark and/or Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education
Author/Ministry: Sharon Pocock/AVED GCPE	

THE EVENT

PROACTIVE EVENT OR INVITATION

- Proactive event.

EVENT

- The event will publically announce the post-secondary institution that will house the new School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. It will also provide more public details about the new school.

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FUNDING / PARTNER FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE):

No funding has yet been allocated to this project

WHO'S ORGANIZING?

- GCPE and institution housing the new school.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

- The new School for Traditional Chinese Medicine is a Throne speech commitment from February 2013 committing government to begin work to create the environment for such a school at a B.C. public post-secondary institution. This commitment was reiterated in the platform and in the most recent mandate letter for the Minister of Advanced Education (AVED).
- AVED is seeking direction on the scope, role and mandate of an advisory committee for this project. Staff are developing a work plan to define the work needed to establish the school e.g. research, consultation, budget planning and analyses of student and labour market demand.
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VENUE DESCRIPTION

- Venue - TBC

EVENT PARTICIPANTS (SPEAKERS)

Premier Christy Clark – TBC

Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education

Teresa Watt, Minister of International Trade Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

Terry Lake, Minister of Health - TBC

President of hosting post-secondary institution - TBC

Spokesperson from the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia

Members of the advisory committee

KEY VALIDATORS & STAKEHOLDERS

- Representatives of TCM business community – TBC
 - College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia
- Representatives of mainstream healthcare community – TBC
 - BC Medical Association
- Representatives of post-secondary institutions – TBC
 - British Columbia Association of Institutes and Universities

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Public and media.

- TCM, healthcare and advanced education communities.

VISUAL MESSAGE(S)

DESIRED PICTURE (STILL/VIDEO)

- Premier Christy Clark and/or minister with TCM practitioner. Possible demonstration of TCM techniques

ACTUAL SPEAKING BACKDROP

- Venue at hosting post-secondary institution – Possible TCM working environment backdrop or poster board with TCM images.

WRITTEN MESSAGE(S)

DESIRED SOUNDBITE / KEY NEWS RELEASE SOUNDBITE

"I'm incredibly proud that we are continuing to expand the post-secondary education opportunities available at our public institutions. This new School of Chinese Traditional Medicine project proves that the B.C. education system does not stand still. It is a growing and flourishing sector that is always searching for ways to provide the best in a wide range of programs that will attract both domestic and international students to study here in British Columbia."

KEY MESSAGES

- A School of Traditional Chinese Medicine provides the province with the opportunity to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.
- We have begun the initial work needed to create the new school and are working with post-secondary and health partners to move this project forward.
- As with all new schools and post-secondary programs, there are a number of steps that need to happen before any new school can open and offer training. We have begun work to establish an advisory committee to help guide this work.

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 11:53 AM
To: Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX
Subject: RE: By noon please
Attachments: Potential Members of a Provincial Advisory Committee 2.docx; TCM Implementation Plan V2.docx

Hello Jeannette,

As requested.

Traditional Chinese Medicine

- The implementation plan for the TCM Throne Speech commitment is still a draft document (attached) with Dawn for review and feedback
- Two public institutions, UBC Faculty of Medicine and Kwantlen Polytechnic University, have expressed interest in the TCM school to date
- It will be important to clarify the level of interest of these two institutions, including capacity to develop a School without additional funding from government, timelines and the model/scope proposed for the School.
- Once established, the Advisory Committee will be asked to consider the desired scope of the School in relation to the commitment, time line for implementation and resources (financial and other). For example, on one end of the spectrum, there is the option to develop a School that delivers diplomas in TCM modalities (i.e., acupuncture) as complementary to western medicine. On the other end of the spectrum, is the option to develop a School that delivers a degree program in TCM (i.e., TCM practitioners and/or Doctors of TCM) in partnership with a Chinese university with a clinic and research activity.
- A list of potential members of the Advisory Committee has been prepared, including a list of 8 MLAs (attached)
- AVED and Ministry of Health staff have met once and MoH staff have requested a second meeting with AVED staff – scheduled for Monday, July 15, 2013
- Lower Mainland Branch has received a draft event plan from GPCE for a September 2013 announcement.

Not Responsive

From: Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 10, 2013 9:24 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: By noon please
Importance: High

Hi Lori,

Dawn would like an update on TCM in prep for Executive this afternoon.

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She hasn't been able to connect with Robin yet. An email back to me, bullet form would be great.

Thanks Lori.

Jeannette

Jeannette Cook

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 3:15 PM
To: Pocock, Sharon GCPE:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX
Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW: EP_School of Traditional Chinese Medicine_July 15_1115am
Attachments: EP_School of Traditional Chinese Medicine_July 15_1115am.doc

Hi Sharon,

Until we are more clear on the School (location and scope), I am recommending the plan be silent on the entry-to-practice credential issue.

Lori

From: Pocock, Sharon GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2013 11:40 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: FOR REVIEW: EP_School of Traditional Chinese Medicine_July 15_1115am

Hi Lori

I've updated the Event Plan for the School of TCM. Could I trouble you to take another look when you get a moment. I admit that I have very scrappy notes around the regulatory piece of the puzzle if a degree program is offered rather than a diploma. Could you perhaps add another bullet explaining that issue a little more?

Thanks as always
Sharon

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 2:50 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: RE: TCM

Hi Lori,

I had a quick chat with Dawn and our comments are below:

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 10:27 AM
To: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: RE: TCM

Hi Jeannette,

1. Please specify which tracking document you are referring to. I'm assuming NOT the ministry tracking of commitments? This would be whatever document you use – branch / division priorities etc.
2. We will plan to revise the TCM materials by end of day tomorrow. These include the Advisory Committee Terms of Reference, the Implementation Plan and an Options Paper. Perfect. Dawn will review over the weekend and will connect with you sometime on Monday morning.

Deputy Minister Briefing: I recommend we provide all of the material in advance and specifically seek his input on the implementation plan. We also need to raise the staff resource issue and the proposed opportunity to seek a secondee to lead the Advisory Committee and implementation. As you will notice, a briefing has been scheduled with James for Tuesday, July 23, at 1 pm. We can provide material to the DMO after you and Dawn have touched base on Monday (just in case there any minor changes).

3. **Minister Briefing:** I recommend we provide the Advisory Committee Terms of Reference in advance and then verbally brief him on the scope of options. I understand the Minister will likely be providing input on the Terms of Reference. A briefing has been scheduled with the Minister for Thursday, July 25th, 9:30 – 10:00 am. I will check with Dawn to see if she would also like you to attend.
4. Lastly, I would like to be in touch with Kwantlen as a follow-up to both the letter and the meeting we had with them the end of June. **Does Dawn have any concerns with this?** Dawn has no concerns with you contacting Kwantlen.

Lori

From: Cook, Jeannette AEIT:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 3:49 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AEIT:EX
Subject: TCM

Hi Lori,

FYI -- The attached letter came in from KPU. Can you please include a note in TCM tracking document that KPU has written in to express interest and offered to play lead role.

Also, the MO is wondering when they could have a discussion / update on TCM. Dawn was wondering how the work is coming on updating the TOR etc and if there would be something soon for her to review. Jennifer advised that we could possibly get a briefing with the MO if we're ready next Wed / Thurs but of course, we would need to brief James first.

Let me know your thoughts.

Thanks.

Jeannette

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENTJuly 2nd, 2013

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Ministry of Advanced Education
Post-Secondary Regions & Programs Div.**JUL 09 2013**

Lower Mainland Region Branch

Dear Dawn,

Further to the conversations we have had in recent weeks, I want to formally indicate Kwantlen Polytechnic University's serious interest in developing programs in Traditional Chinese Medicine. We have seen the stated goal of the revised AVED Service Plan for 2013/14 to 2015/16 to establish a School for TCM, and we believe we can play the lead role for the province in this field. In so doing we would of course link with the educational and research capacities in other institutions in BC and build on our own expertise in health sciences and related areas, as well as with our partnerships in China itself.

We are undertaking some exploratory discussions of our own which we will gladly share with you once your committee to explore TCM programs has been established. We would be pleased to participate on the committee as you deem appropriate.

We look forward to working with you on this exciting endeavor.

Sincerely,



Alan Davis, Ph.D.
President and Vice Chancellor

cc: Gordon Lee, Pro tem Provost and Vice President Academic
Tru Freeman, Dean, Faculty of Community and Health Studies
Jean Nicholson Church, Assoc. Dean, Faculty of CHS
Stuart McIlmoyle, Assoc. VP, International
Lori MacKenzie, Director, Lower Mainland, AVED
Darryl Soper, Executive Director, Fraser Valley/Interior Region, AVED
Tony Loughran, Executive Director, Lower Mainland, AVED
Susan Burns, Director Fraser Valley/Interior Region, AVED

*Lori
you can keep
this letter as a
have Filed the same
letter for Tony in
Central RPV file*

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2013 10:43 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; Fountain, Kathy B AVED:EX; Cooney, Tracy AVED:EX
Subject: TCM Material for DM Briefing
Attachments: Attachment 1 Options Paper TCM.docx; Attachment 2 Options Paper.xlsx; TCM Options Draft 3.docx; TCM Implementation Plan V2.docx; Advisory Committee DRAFT TORs.docx

Hello Dawn,

Thank you for time today discussing the TCM accountability. Attached are revised documents for the briefing with the DM:


- Options Paper (with two attachments)
- Implementation Plan
- Advisory Committee draft Terms of Reference

Lori

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Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 5:36 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Cooney, Tracy AVED:EX; Fountain, Kathy B AVED:EX
Subject: FW: TCM Terms of reference.
Attachments: Advisory Committee DRAFT TORs.docx; 95386 DN - Approval of Host Institution for School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.docx

Hello Dawn,

Attached are the revised Terms of Reference. I will send you (later tonight) a one-pager to guide the briefing based on James' direction.

I made revisions to the decision note as well (revised version attached).

Lori

From: Meadows, Jennifer L AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 4:42 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX; Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: FW: TCM Terms of reference.

Hi Dawn,

Can we share the TCM ToR in advance of tomorrow's briefing?

Jennifer

From: Loiacono, Sabrina AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 4:40 PM
To: Meadows, Jennifer L AVED:EX
Subject: Terms of reference.

Any luck with them?

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**MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION
DECISION NOTE**

PREPARED FOR: Honourable Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education

ISSUE: Decision to designate a public post-secondary institution as the lead institution for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

BACKGROUND:

The Government of British Columbia's February 2013 Throne Speech committed to begin work to create the environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbia public post-secondary institution.

TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia (under the Health Professions Act) and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia (CTCMA). Six Private Career Training Institutions Agency accredited private training institutions in British Columbia offer TCM programs recognized by the CTCMA.

DISCUSSION:

The Ministry of Advanced Education (AVED) has begun work on this commitment over the spring and summer of 2013, including consulting with institutions and sector organizations (The Research Universities Council of British Columbia [RUCBC]; the BC Association of Institutes and Universities [BCAIU] and BC Colleges) to determine which institutions are interested in establishing a school of TCM.

Immediately following delivery of the Speech from the Throne, Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) telephoned Ministry staff to share that they were already exploring the development of TCM education at their institution. KPU has recently written to AVED to formally indicate their interest in developing programs in TCM and assuming the lead role for the province in this field.

TCM related research already occurs at the University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University (SFU). Both of these institutions have indicated qualified interest in responding to the Throne Speech commitment, conditional on allocation of Ministry funding.

OPTIONS:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Option 1:

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Approved / Not Approved

Honourable Amrik Virk

Date: _____

Prepared by:	Connie Marczyk	Reviewed by:	
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		Assistant Deputy Minister	
		Deputy Minister	

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 9:57 PM
To: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX; Hodges, Nell AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: FW: TCM Briefing Outline and MLA Committee
Attachments: Minister Briefing Outline.docx

FYI

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2013 9:56 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Fountain, Kathy B AVED:EX
Subject: TCM Briefing Outline and MLA Committee

Hi Dawn,

1. Attached is an outline for the briefing.
2. I had a look at the Terms of Reference for Special Committees. Below is an example of one.

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Lori

Terms of Reference

On October 3, 2011, the Legislative Assembly agreed that the a Special Committee on Cosmetic Pesticides be appointed to examine, inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the elimination of the unnecessary use of pesticides in British Columbia and to conduct consultations on this issue with the public and key stakeholders, by any means the Special Committee considers appropriate.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing to consider, the Special Committee shall specifically consider:

1. The scope of any ban on the sale and use of pesticides, including those used solely for cosmetic purposes; and,
2. Any appropriate exemptions and restrictions on the sale and use, which may apply.

The Special Committee shall provide recommendations to the Legislative Assembly with respect to the development and implementation of legislative provisions regarding the unnecessary use of pesticides.

The Special Committee so appointed shall have all the powers of a Select Standing Committee and is also empowered:

- a. to appoint of their number, one or more subcommittees and to refer to such subcommittees any of the matters referred to the Committee;
- b. to sit during a period in which the House is adjourned, during the recess after prorogation until the next following Session and during any sitting of the House;
- c. to adjourn from place to place as may be convenient; and
- d. to retain such personnel as required to assist the Committee;

**Traditional Chinese Medicine
Minister Briefing
July 25, 2013**

A. Three decision points for the Minister:

1. Host institution
2. Program model
3. Bless the work plan to implement the school

B. Host institution

- Decision required today in order to establish the Program Advisory Committee

C. Program Advisory Committee

- Sharing Terms of Reference for information.
- Standard approach for public post-secondary institutions to establish a program advisory committee to provide advice on implementation of a new program.
- Typically comprised of experts in education, regulation, professional standards, etc.
- MLAs - not recommended that MLAs be members of the Program Advisory Committee.
 - May ultimately impede contributions of the other members.
 - Looking to Minister as to why MLAs would be included
 - Other ways to engage MLAs (i.e., through an MLA committee, through regular updates, briefings provided by Minister and DM, receipt of PAC meeting minutes, etc).
- TCM Schools are not aligned and are organized into several professional associations.
 - managing their competing interests in a Committee setting would be extremely challenging and may protract the work of the Committee

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Monday, July 29, 2013 2:40 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: TCM - Request for Expressions of Interest
Attachments: Requests for EOIs.docx

Hello Dawn,

Expressions of Interest

A request for expressions of interest is an approach adopted in situations where either the funding availability/amount is not yet confirmed or government is seeking post-secondary sector input on the program delivery model and/or budget to establish the program.

For example, in 2008, the Ministry of Advanced Education, (not knowing the program model needed and not having secured funding), sent out a Call for EOIs to develop and implement a program to train cardiovascular perfusionists (these professionals manage the by-pass aspect of open heart surgery). s.13

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Call for Expressions of Interest – TCM

- A call for Expressions of Interest (attached) to establish a School of TCM is proposed for the sake of fairness and transparency.
- The Call for EOI would be emailed to VPs Academic/Education at all public post-secondary institutions except Emily Carr University of Art and Design.
- Institutions would have one month to respond.
- Ministry staff would review the EOIs and provide the Minister with options and a recommendation.

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Let me know if you have any questions or require any further information.

Lori

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School of Traditional Chinese Medicine Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)

Background

The February 2013 Speech from the Throne commits that “government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.” A School of TCM with international partnerships has the potential to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.

The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution.

- TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia (under the Health Professions Act and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia [CTCMA]).¹;
- A valid registration (professional licence) issued by CTCMA is required in order to practise TCM and acupuncture in British Columbia (registration requires passing the CTCMA examination, 2 years of university and a specified number of hours of clinical and practicum hours;
- The current credential for entry-to-practice in British Columbia for TCM and/or acupuncture is a diploma;
- The *Entry-level Occupational Competencies for the Practice of TCM in Canada 2010* (“the Competencies”) were developed by the Canadian Alliance of Regulatory Bodies for Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists.

A School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

- EOIs are now being requested from public post-secondary institutions.
- The School will establish a diploma program.
- There is no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School and diploma program delivery.
- The Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education and the host public post-secondary institution will establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School.

¹ Definitions are set out in the Health Professions Act (bylaws are bylaws of the CTCMA): “acupuncturist” means a registrant authorized under the bylaws to practise acupuncture; “doctor of traditional Chinese medicine” means a traditional Chinese medicine practitioner who is authorized under the bylaws to use the title “doctor of traditional Chinese medicine; “traditional Chinese medicine practitioner” means a registrant authorized under the bylaws to practise traditional Chinese medicine.

Process

Institutions are invited to submit expressions of interest (EOIs) to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. The EOI can be in the form of a letter that includes the following information:

Institution Contact

Include contact name, telephone number and email address.

Opportunities and Risks

Describe anticipated opportunities and risks associated with the development and implementation of a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at your institution, including the following considerations:

- Describe how this program is aligned with the mandate and expertise of your institution.
- Describe how your institution has the capacity to establish a School of TCM (in terms of physical space, financial resources, faculty, etc).
- Describe the consultation to be undertaken with relevant stakeholders.
- Identify potential partnerships.

Curriculum and Program Delivery

Provide a high level description of the program structure and delivery method, including how clinical education would be undertaken.

Please submit the EOI to Tony Loughran, Executive Director, Lower Mainland Branch at Tony.Loughran@gov.bc.ca by Friday, August 30, 2013.

Contacts

For further information regarding this request:

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Our Ref. 95349

August 6, 2013

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Thank you for your letter sent to the Honourable Dr. Terry Lake, Minister of Health, sharing your views on alternative health treatments and the *Throne Speech 2013* commitment to establish a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a public post-secondary institution in British Columbia. As post-secondary education falls within the responsibility of the Honourable Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education, your letter has been forwarded to me for response on behalf of Minister Virk. I apologize for the delayed response.

As noted in the Throne Speech, this commitment recognizes the need for our health-care system to be innovative and responsive to the citizens of British Columbia.

TCM has been a designated health profession under the provincial *Health Professions Act* since December 2000. Under the Act, TCM professions are regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists (CTCMA). Individuals who wish to practice either TCM or Acupuncture must be licensed by the College, and in order to be licensed, practitioners undertake extensive training and must meet the requirements of the College. There are over 2,000 CTCMA registered TCM practitioners and students delivering TCM treatments and services to the public in British Columbia.

Currently, several accredited private post-secondary institutions offer TCM education programs in British Columbia.

The Ministry of Advanced Education is working with its public post-secondary institution partners to meet the government's commitment to develop a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine within the public post-secondary system. All programs developed by the institution will need to meet the national competencies for TCM and the requirements of the CTCMA.

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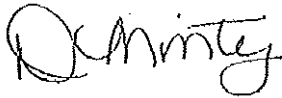
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I understand the concerns you have expressed regarding animal welfare. I assure you that all public and private post-secondary institutions are subject to the laws of Canada and British Columbia, which govern the protection of animals and the use of animals and animal products. It is also important to note that Health Canada regulates the sale of natural health products.

Thank you for writing and sharing your views on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Minty'.

Dawn Minty
Assistant Deputy Minister

pc: Honourable Dr. Terry Lake
Minister of Health

Honourable Amrik Virk
Minister of Advanced Education

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 8:58 AM
To: Hodges, Nell AVED:EX
Cc: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Revised Agenda RE: Meeting with the Honourable Minister Virk
Attachments: Minister Meeting with Langara College Aug 8 - Suggested Responses.docx

Hi - this is just an fyi - it relates to the meetings on Aug 8 - a last minute agenda came in and the attached was put together between 8:30 and 9:30 for Tony to brief the Minister. Lori - there is a bit at the end on TCM Nell, I'm saving the word document in our Langara file.

-----Original Message-----

From: McConnan, Kelly AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, August 8, 2013 9:33 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; Burns, Susan G AVED:EX; Rumpel, Steven AVED:EX; Kelly, Susan M AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Revised Agenda RE: Meeting with the Honourable Minister Virk

Hi Tony,

Here is our combined effort on the discussion items for today's meeting with Langara - also attached.

Thanks
Kelly

Discussion Items

Not Responsive

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10. School off Traditional Chinese Medicine

- As you may know, the Ministry of Advanced Education issued a call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) last Friday (August 2, 2013). Institutions have until September 13, 2013 to respond.
- The EOI notes that there is NO additional funding available from government for start-up or the School and diploma program delivery.
- The current credential for entry-to-practice in British Columbia for TCM and/or acupuncture is a diploma.
- General Background: Langara College offers courses in Holistic Health Studies through its Continuing Education Department. Courses are available individually and include a course in TCM/Acupuncture record keeping. Langara's offerings in this general area also include certificate programs in Registered Massage Therapy, Integrative Energy Healing and other approaches to health and healing.

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Tru Freeman [Tru.Freeman@kpu.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2013 9:10 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: EOI re: TCM

Tuesday, August 13, 2013

Hi Lori,

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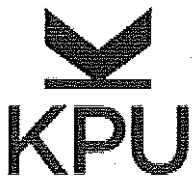
Tried calling you this morning

and so thought I'd send a quick Email with a couple of questions re: the EOI-TCM.

1. I have never done an EOI before for the government; I'm guessing this is not a very in-depth document? Can you tell me generally how long this should be? Are we talking 20 pages or 1-3?
2. In the EOI we are asked to ***"Describe how your institution has the capacity to establish a School of TCM (in terms of physical space, financial resources, faculty, etc)"***. With regards to the "financial resources" are you looking for an in-depth discussion or what specifically?
3. It states ***"The School will establish a diploma program"***; do we just describe the "diploma" or should we go onto state that we would have a diploma as entry to practice with the opportunity for students to ladder into a degree?

Thanks Lori; any thoughts you can provide would be helpful! If you want to talk to me, please don't hesitate to call me at my office (number below) below or cell phone: s.22

Thanks, Tru



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From: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 10:13 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: KPU & TCM

Hi Lori, - Welcome back!
A couple of things re TCM.

1. While you were away we received a rush request for a response to questions raised during MoH's Estimates debate (I only have a hard copy of the request e-mail). A letter was prepared from our Minister to the MLA. (it was prepared for DM signature and the DMO decided they wanted it from the Minister)



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to MLA Darcy r...

2. Lianne is preparing background for a meeting with KPU and the DM at the end of the week – She needs some bullets today as her material needs to go to DMO tomorrow morning. I am suggesting the following, unless you would like to add something re your call with Tru Freeman today.
 - The School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution.
 - On August 2, 2013, the Ministry issued a call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) to all public post-secondary institutions in British Columbia to establish a School of TCM. EOIs are due to the Ministry by September 13, 2013.
 - Institutions have been informed that there is no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School of TCM and diploma program delivery.
 - Ministry of Advanced Education staff have been working to develop the terms of reference for the Advisory Committee that will be established to provide input on establishing the School of TCM.

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Our Ref: 95521

Ms. Judy Darcy
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Dear Ms. Darcy:

I am pleased to send you the following information in response to the questions you raised during the Ministry of Health's Estimate's Debate regarding the establishment of a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

The February 2013 Throne Speech commits that, "government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution." A School of TCM with international partnerships has the potential to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.

The School of TCM is to be established at a public post-secondary institution. As the Ministry of Advanced Education is responsible for this commitment, on August 2, 2013, the Ministry issued a call for Expressions of Interest to all public post-secondary institutions in British Columbia to establish a School of TCM. Institutions have been informed that there is no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School of TCM and diploma program delivery.

TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia under the *Health Professions Act* and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia, and therefore, Ministry of Advanced Education staff have consulted Ministry of Health regarding the professions and their regulatory framework.

Ministry of Advanced Education staff have also been working to develop the terms of reference for the Advisory Committee that will be established to provide input on establishing the School of TCM.

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Expressions of Interest are due to the Ministry of Advanced Education by mid September 2013. Upon review of the Expressions of Interest the Ministry will determine the best candidate and develop a timeline for the start of the School's programs.

Thank you for your interest in this initiative.

Sincerely,

Amrik Virk
Minister

pc: Mr. Stephen Brown, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Health

Ms. Grace Foran, Director
Executive Operations
Ministry of Health

Mr. Tony Loughran, Executive Director
Lower Mainland Region
Ministry of Advanced Education

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 9:53 AM
To: 'Tru Freeman'
Subject: RE: EOI for TCM

Hi Tru,

Ministry of Advanced Education staff will review the EOIs for TCM and make recommendations to Ministry executive and the Minister for decision. Ministry of Health may be consulted. This is my understanding at this time.

I hesitate to estimate how long it will take to communicate a decision. This is a complex issue with many interests.

Lori

From: Tru Freeman [<mailto:Tru.Freeman@kpu.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2013 8:36 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: EOI for TCM

Wednesday, August 28, 2013

Hi Lori,

Can you tell me who will be on the group/committee to choose the successful EOI for the TCM? Is it just AVED or MoH people... if so.. who? Will there be any folks from the Chinese or TCM Community (I'm guessing not at this point... given the EOI is a Ministry request).

These come to you on the 13th; do you have a sense of how long it will take to hear who is the successful institution?

Thanks, Tru



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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2013 4:23 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Achadinha, Margaret AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Request from Minister's office re: Traditional Chinese Medicine
Attachments: Requests for EOIs.docx

Hello Tony,

Ministry staff briefed Minister Virk on July 25th. The Minister's direction at that meeting included:

1. In the spirit of fairness and transparency, issue a Request for Expressions of Interest (attached) to all public post-secondary institutions, to develop and implement a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. The deadline for submission of expressions of interest is September 13, 2013. Submissions are to include a description of the consultation to be undertaken with stakeholders.
2. Given the importance of community input, consider how and when to engage the community. One option discussed was to invite community members to participate on the Program Advisory Committee.

Next steps include:

1. Ministry staff to review expressions of interest
2. Minister approval on the host institution for the School
3. Jointly with the host institution, establish the Program Advisory Committee.

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From: Fountain, Kathy B AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2013 2:26 PM
To: McConnan, Kelly AVED:EX
Cc: Berkes, Andrea AVED:EX; Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Meadows, Jennifer L AVED:EX
Subject: Request from Minister's office re: Traditional Chinese Medicine

Hi Kelly,

Please provide an update on Traditional Chinese Medicine - particularly community representation.

Thanks.

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Lori MacKenzie
Director
Lower Mainland Branch
Ministry of Advanced Education

September 12, 2013

Dear Ms. MacKenzie,

**Re: Expression of Interest
School of Traditional Chinese Medicine**

As per the August 2, 2013 e-mail inviting public post-secondary institutions to submit expressions of interest (EOIs) to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM), please find attached Kwantlen Polytechnic University's (KPU's) submission.

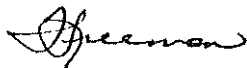
In 2012, KPU began exploring the opportunity to pursue educational programming in TCM. Over the course of the past year, KPU has been working with the TCM community including TCM practitioners, the TCM Association of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists (ATCMA) and the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists (CTCMA) to build relationships and gain a preliminary understanding of the requirements for a TCM program.

In consultation with internal and external KPU stakeholders, we believe KPU is well positioned to develop a TCM School at KPU-Richmond which is located within a community whose ethnic population is largely of Chinese decent and close to accessible public transportation. A School of TCM would *expand the distinctiveness and scope of KPU's program offerings to realize its polytechnic university mandate**. Our existing health programs in the Faculty of Community and Health Studies (CAHS) all include experiential learning that connects theory and practice; this practical application will be a large component of the TCM program. The Faculty of CAHS also has a long history of working closely with regulatory/approval and accreditation bodies; the TCM program would need to align very closely to the standards and competencies of the CTCMA.

The Faculty of CAHS has the ability to work together with other KPU Faculties such as *Science and Horticulture, Business, and Arts*, to access relevant course programming that has already been developed. Using existing resources would help offset initial program development costs and promote and encourage interprofessional/interdisciplinary practice. We would also be seeking potential partnerships with external stakeholders in post-secondary institutions and the health authority environments related to research and practice. Additionally, we have also worked closely with our own KPU service departments such as Facilities, Finance, and Information Technology to develop this EOI and gain an initial perspective on the capital and operating costs of creating a TCM program.

I thank you in advance for considering KPU's – EOI submission. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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* *KPU Strategic Vision 2018 (June 2013)*

Office of the Vice-President, Enrolment and Business Development

September 13, 2013

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Ministry of Advanced Education
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Dear Ms. MacKenzie:

Re: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)

Langara College has a long-standing interest in education related to Traditional Chinese Medicine. The College offered its first courses as part of a comprehensive program of study through the division of Continuing Studies in Fall 2001. This program, Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture, provided students with foundation courses in Traditional Chinese Medicine Theory, medical Qi Gong, herbal medicine and, clinical instruction in acupuncture and acupressure techniques. These foundation courses were coupled with courses in western sciences, bio medical ethics and communications to provide a comprehensive introduction to the field of TCM.

Delivery of the program required significant investment on the part of the Division of Continuing Studies in curriculum development and the provision of custom facilities at its leased space at 601 West Broadway. While the program attracted significant interest, it proved at the time to be financially unsustainable and was discontinued in its complete form in 2004. The division of Continuing Studies does, however, continue to offer individual courses in areas related to TCM through its health studies department.

Increased community interest in Traditional Chinese Medicine prompted the Division of Continuing Studies to renew its interest in developing a broader program offering in the field. In the fall of 2011 Continuing Studies commissioned IPSOS Reid to undertake a feasibility study for a new TCM/Acupuncture program. IPSOS Reid presented its final report in January 2012. A copy of the report is attached to this expression of interest for your information.

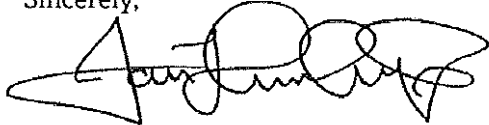
While the report identified the many strengths of the College associated with the development and delivery of the proposed program, it was clear that the College would also encounter significant challenges in establishing a viable program. The Executive Summary of the attached report details these strengths and challenges and provided the College and the division of Continuing Studies with a series of recommendations related to the implementation of a new TCM/Acupuncture program.

Langara.

THE COLLEGE OF HIGHER LEARNING.

This expression of interest is based on the findings of the IPSOS Reid report. As such, the College would be interested in pursuing further discussions with the Ministry of Advanced Education related to the establishment of a program that could be delivered on a net revenue generating basis through a combination of credit and non-credit programming or in partnership with another academic institution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Humphreys', with a large, stylized initial 'I'.

Ian Humphreys, Ph.D.

Vice-President, Enrolment and Business Development

cc: Roy Daykin, President and CEO, Langara College
Brad O'Hara, Vice-President, Academic and Provost, Langara

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 10:43 AM
To: Hodges, Nell AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Traditional Chinese Medicine Update and Next Steps
Attachments: Consultation Committee DRAFT TORs.docx

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 5:21 PM
To: Minty, Dawn M AVED:EX
Cc: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: Traditional Chinese Medicine Update and Next Steps

Hi Dawn,

For your consideration for your note to the DM.

Lori

As announced in Throne Speech 2013, government will partner with a publicly funded post-secondary institution to develop a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Phase 1 Select Host Institution

- Two submissions were received by the September 13, 2013 deadline in response to the request for expressions of interest.
- Both submissions assume a government financial contribution.
- Ministry staff are reviewing the submissions.

Next steps include:

- Select a fairness advisor [Is there a preferred advisor?]
- Consideration for a Request for Proposals process sent (given that both institutions have met the EOI criteria).
- Ministry staff to provide a recommendation on host institution to the Minister for approval.

Phase 2 Community Consultation

The 2013 BC Liberal platform included the following commitment:

Immediately following the election, a BC Liberal government will convene an advisory committee to help guide the development of this new school.

Next steps include:

- Approval of a Terms of Reference for a Community Advisory Committee (draft for discussion attached)
- Establish the Committee
- Development and approval of the community consultation plan.
- Community consultation

Phase 3 Development and Implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

To be undertaken by the host institution based on results of community consultation and advice from the institution's *Program Advisory Committee.

*Institutional **program advisory committees (PACs)** give strategic advice and assistance to their related programs. They provide feedback on industry changes, overall trends that may affect the curriculum and employability of graduates, and the general health of the subject industry. In addition, PACs review proposals for major curriculum changes or new programs, and endorse or make recommendations on such proposals. A PAC is comprised of a program relevant cross section of representatives from employers, alumni, the professions, and other industry representatives.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Ministry of Advanced Education – Government Communications and Public Engagement

(September 2013)

Subject:

Communicate the process that government will be following to meet its commitment to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Background/Context/Environmental scan:

Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia under the Health Professions Act. The profession is regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncture of British Columbia (CTCMA).

The February 2013 Speech from the Throne committed that “government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.” This commitment was also reinforced as an election commitment.

The recent refusal of the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture to allow 50 Chinese medicine graduates from two private career schools to sit for the exam made news in a number of Chinese media outlets. The students from PCU College of Holistic Medicine in Burnaby and Central College in New Westminster maintained that the requirements outlined by the college were confusing and potentially misleading. The Private Career Training Institutions Agency said there are no issues with non-compliance with any TCM schools in B.C., although they are looking into the matter. The final decision regarding registration lies with the College.

Purpose:

To demonstrate that government has a process in place to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

To communicate the steps that need to occur before any new school can open.

To support any public consultation among stakeholders, including the public.

Goals/Objectives:

Profile the commitment to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in a public post-secondary institution.

Generate awareness and discussion among the Chinese community, health professionals and the public.

Communicate the timeline and the process involved in establishing the school up to, and including registration and the first day of classes.

Demonstrate the benefits – health, economic and cultural – of a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Explain why the new school will be located in a public post-secondary institution.

Potential Challenges:

Questions may be asked about why government is undertaking the commitment given the labour market analysis shows that there is not a huge demand for a profession on the lower pay scale.

Questions may be asked about why government is not focusing on other health innovative approaches.

Currently there are six private career training institutions that provide training so the need for a public institution may be questioned.

Students at private colleges have raised concerns about the registration requirements by the college as being confusing and potentially misleading (e.g. PCU College of Holistic Medicine in Burnaby and Central College in New Westminster).

Key Audiences:**Primary:**

Students and their families.

The Chinese community both locally and internationally.

Chinese community groups (e.g. S.U.C.C.E.S.S.).

Media, including Chinese media outlets (e.g. Sing Tao, Ming Pao, World Journal, CHMB AM1320, Fairchild Radio, Omni TV).

Secondary:

College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture

Private Career Training Institutions Agency and the six private career training TCM schools currently operating in BC

Ministry of Health

BC Medical Association and other health professionals and groups

MLAs

Messaging:

- Government is moving ahead on its commitment to create a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in a publicly funded post-secondary institution.
- As with all new schools and training programs a number of steps need to occur, including establishing a program advisory committee that will guide the development and implementation of the new School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- The new school will support our innovative health-care system and it will expand access to preventative and holistic health services while providing international partnerships.

Strategic Approach:

The strategic communications approach will take a proactive approach by leveraging process milestones to generate awareness of the project.

Process milestones include:

- Closure of the request for expressions of interest.
- Selection of a publicly funded post-secondary institution.
- Community consultation to get underway by government-led committee.
- Establishment of a Program Advisory Committee to include subject matter experts and representation from the institution, college and profession.
- Program development for the school i.e. details on academic content.
- Registration date for students to registration.
- Date for the first class.

Public engagement:

- While the request for expressions of interest required interested institutions to outline consultation activities, additional public and community group consultations may be undertaken. A Community Advisory Committee will provide input into the development of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine, which could include undertaking broad-based community consultation e.g. round tables, forums, web based.

Earned Media:

- News releases / backgrounders around each milestone in the process to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Opinion-editorials written specifically for Chinese language newspapers.

Ethnic Media:

- Chinese media outlets will be offered one- on-one interviews with the minister and host institution as the milestones arise.
- Editorial board meetings with Chinese media by the minister, the host institution, and the program advisory committee once established.

Social Media:

- Leverage existing channels to ensure consistent messages and awareness at each milestone.

Materials:

Expression of interest document

News releases / backgrounder

Information bulletin

Opinion-editorial

Issues notes as required

Questions and answers document

Letter to the editor as required

DETAILED ROLL-OUT TIMELINE

Date	Action	Description
[1] September 13, 2013	Closure of EOI	The closing date for requests for expressions of interest from publicly funded post-secondary institutions.
[2] Week of Sept. 23, 2013	News release	Announce closure of the request for EOIs and outline the process around next steps.
[3] Fall 2013 TBC	News release and backgrounder	Announce details of the Program Advisory Committee including names of the members and terms of reference.
[4] TBC	TBC	Launch of community consultation by Program Advisory Committee that will provide input into the development and implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
[5] January 2014 TBC	News release and event	Announce the name of the publicly funded post-secondary institution that will host the School of Traditional.
[6] Fall 2014 TBC	Joint news release with the public institution / event at the institution	Announce details of the programming for the School of Traditional Medicine at the institution with members of the Program Advisory Committee.
[7] Spring 2015 TBC	Joint news release with the public institution	Announce that registration is now available for students who wish to attend the new School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
[8] Fall 2015 TBC	News release and event	Announce the first day of classes for the new School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Evaluation:

Media coverage (pull together media packages for analysis of coverage)

Analytics for social media/web

E-mails and correspondence

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From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 2:12 PM
To: Mackenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Holdback for TCM

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From: Brown, Susan B AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 12:20 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Holdback for TCM

Hi Tony – sorry, just got out of a meeting. Here is the language for the TCM deliverables. Sandy has approved the document and it is going to John's office later today. It may yet change depending on John's feedback, but this is what we're submitting. You'll note that Dawn pared it back from what you and I discussed.

Accountability #8: Implement our government's commitment to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a publicly funded B.C. post-secondary institution.

By December 31, 2013 – Conclude Expression of Interest to all public post-secondary institutions
By March 31, 2014 – Develop a process to inform implementation of the School

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MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 2, 2013 4:24 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Hodges, Nell AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: TCM Consultation with Purchasing Services

Hello Tony,

Connie, Nell and I met today with Elizabeth Lowe, Director to discuss our options. Below are the key points:

- AVED has provided ample opportunity for public post-secondary institutions to indicate their interest.
- AVED has demonstrated excellent transparency.
- The EOI does not disclose what we want and how we would evaluate. EOI can therefore not be used to adjudicate a competitive process.

Options to consider:

1. Request for Proposal: not appropriate at this time as there would be no exchange of service for funding. That being said, we could use an RFP even without funding but institutions would be required to incur significant costs to develop a proposal (likely without an ability to re-coup the costs). In addition, Legal Services would need to be involved as no RFP template exists that would work in this case (and we can only use approved templates). If funding does become available, we should consider an RFP.
2. Direct Award: policy allows for AVED to direct award to a PSI. May not be the best option in terms of optics. We may be asked how this was determined (and can't use the EOI).
3. Facilitate: AVED to contact the two respondents to let them know there is only one other respondent and that AVED would like to share their mutual interests with the other. With their agreement, get the group together to discuss opportunities to work together to meet this commitment. Note that one respondent may drop out (=okay) or both (=not okay). Procurement principles would not apply here.

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You and I had previously discussed option 3. Do we need a decision note for the DM? I'm also thinking that the meeting scheduled for Friday to brainstorm how to undertake a review process is premature.

Lori

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EOI
Include contact name, telephone number and email address.

The School will establish a diploma program

Previous programs

There is no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School and diploma program delivery

The Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education and the host public post-secondary institution will establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School

Describe anticipated opportunities and risks associated with the development and implementation of a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at your institution

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Describe how this program is aligned with the mandate and expertise of your institution

Describe how your institution has the capacity to establish a School of TCM (in terms of physical space, financial resources, faculty, etc).

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Describe how this program would help address the needs of your institution’s local community.

Describe the consultation to be undertaken with stakeholders

Identify potential partnerships

Provide a high level description of the programme structure and delivery method, including how clinical education would be undertaken

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Proposed Tuition?

Proposed Programs?

Proposed Programs?

Proposed Budget?

Proposed Budget?

Proposed Student #s?

Proposed Student #s?

Length of Program?

Length of Program?

International Partner?

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Meeting Clinical
Experience
Requirements?

Program Location?

Number of Faculty?

Employment
Projections?

Research Component?

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MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION DECISION NOTE

PREPARED FOR: Sandra Carroll, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education

ISSUE: Decision on next steps in determining the post-secondary institution to host the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)

BACKGROUND:

The Ministry of Advanced Education (AVED) issued a call of Expressions of Interest (EOI) to all 25 public post-secondary institutions to determine interest in establishing a School of TCM. One university and one college responded. AVED staff have reviewed the two responses to the EOI, and both are sufficient to establish interest in the school.

This decision note seeks the approval of the Deputy Minister of AVED regarding the next steps in establishing the host institution for the School of TCM.

DISCUSSION:

The EIO Review Process

AVED has consulted with a fairness advisor in the Procurement Services Branch of the Ministry of Innovation, Technology and Citizens Services and has been advised that:

- AVED's EOI process demonstrates excellent transparency;
- AVED cannot award the School of TCM to one of the responding institutions based on an adjudication of the EOI responses, as the EOI process is not a competitive process and does not include evaluation criteria;
- AVED may make a "direct award" to a public post-secondary institution, although AVED cannot state that the award is being made based on an evaluation of the EOI submissions. (Note that a direct award would likely create criticisms that the process was not transparent);
- As there is no additional government funding for the School of TCM, it would not have been appropriate for AVED to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP);
- As AVED is not undertaking a competitive process at this time, there is no role for an external fairness advisor (Procurement Services provides this service within government);
- An RFP process that excludes funding or exchange of service would require the development of a new approved template, with review by Legal Services, as such a template does not exist;
- AVED could move ahead by facilitating a discussion between the two responding institutions about the potential of a partnership. In this case, procurement principles would not apply.

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Procurement Services Branch has advised that public post-secondary institutions may use funding already provided by AVED in their block operating grants to support the School of TCM, as well as any existing buildings. However, government cannot now provide new funding, either one-time or ongoing, to either of the institutions, specifically indicating that it is for the new School of TCM, without beginning a new competitive process, which would likely include an RFP. (Announcing new funding at this point contradicts the message in the EOI request and other institutions may argue that they would have submitted an EOI if funding was available.)

There is a risk that one or both of the institutions may withdraw their EOI. If one institution withdraws, AVED will seek approval of the Minister to announce the other institution as the host for the School of TCM. If both institutions withdraw, AVED would have to begin a new process, taking into account the implications of the lack of funding.

OPTIONS:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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(Sandra Carroll, DM)

Date: OCT 23 2013

Attachment: Request for Expressions of Interest

Prepared by:	Connie Marczyk	Reviewed by:	
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		Assistant Deputy Minister	<i>DM</i>

School of Traditional Chinese Medicine Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)

Background

The February 2013 Speech from the Throne commits that “government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.” A School of TCM with international partnerships has the potential to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.

The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution.

- TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia (under the Health Professions Act and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia [CTCMA].¹;
- A valid registration (professional licence) issued by CTCMA is required in order to practise TCM and acupuncture in British Columbia (registration requires passing the CTCMA examination, 2 years of university and a specified number of hours of clinical and practicum hours;
- The current credential for entry-to-practice in British Columbia for TCM and/or acupuncture is a diploma;
- The *Entry-level Occupational Competencies for the Practice of TCM in Canada 2010* (“the Competencies”) were developed by the Canadian Alliance of Regulatory Bodies for Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists.

A School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

- Expressions of Interest are now being requested from public post-secondary institutions to establish a School of TCM.
- The School will establish a diploma program.
- There is no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School and diploma program delivery.
- The Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education and the host public post-secondary institution will establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School.

¹ Definitions are set out in the Health Professions Act (bylaws are bylaws of the CTCMA): “**acupuncturist**” means a registrant authorized under the bylaws to practise acupuncture; “**doctor of traditional Chinese medicine**” means a traditional Chinese medicine practitioner who is authorized under the bylaws to use the title “doctor of traditional Chinese medicine; “**traditional Chinese medicine practitioner**” means a registrant authorized under the bylaws to practise traditional Chinese medicine.

Process

Institutions are invited to submit expressions of interest (EOI) to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. The EOI can be in the form of a letter that includes the following information:

Institution Contact

Include contact name, telephone number and email address.

Opportunities and Risks

Describe anticipated opportunities and risks associated with the development and implementation of a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at your institution, including the following considerations:

- Describe how this program is aligned with the mandate and expertise of your institution.
- Describe how your institution has the capacity to establish a School of TCM (in terms of physical space, financial resources, faculty, etc).
- Describe how this program would help address the needs of your institution's local community.
- Describe the consultation to be undertaken with stakeholders.
- Identify potential partnerships.

Curriculum and Program Delivery

Provide a high level description of the program structure and delivery method, including how clinical education would be undertaken.

Please submit the EOI to Lori MacKenzie, Director, Lower Mainland Branch at Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca by Friday, September 13, 2013.

Contacts

For further information regarding this request:

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2013 10:38 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Hi Tony,

The order of events is out of sync. The host institution needs to be identified prior to establishing the Program Advisory Committee. The timing for announcement of the Program Advisory Committee in GCPE's communication plan was described as follows:

[3] Fall 2013 TBC	News release and backgrounder	Announce details of the Program Advisory Committee including names of the members and terms of reference.
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I recommend that we wait to update the KMs until we have greater clarity regarding the host institution. At this time we are on track to identify the host institution in the new year and to establish the program advisory committee shortly thereafter.

Lori

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2013 10:28 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Gilmore, Dan GCPE:EX
Subject: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Hi Tony -- I've been asked to update our KMs for the public school of TCM commitment.

We are scheduled to announce details of the program advisory committee in fall and the program around PSI selection in January. Are we still on track and what can we announce for the committee?

- Government is moving ahead on its commitment to create a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in a publicly funded institution.
- British Columbians will benefit from the expanded access to preventative and holistic health care education and potential international partnerships.
- A request for expressions of interest closed in September 2013 with submissions from public post-secondary institutions being evaluated.
- As with all new schools and training programs, a number of steps need to occur. A program advisory committee will be established to guide the development and implementation of a new school of traditional Chinese medicine.

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From: Kerr, Carleen PREM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2013 9:22 AM
To: Facey, Nick AVED:EX; Merrifield, Katy AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX
Cc: Mills, Shane PREM:EX
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Apologies – I should have also included this. Could you please provide me with response points/update on where we are with the school?

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Not Responsive

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2013 10:56 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX; Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Cc: Gilmore, Dan GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Yes, that's where things stand at the moment.

Rodney – you need to flip your ordering around. You have the program advisory committee being struck first and then the successful host institution being selected. It's the other way around. The committee can't be established until we know which institution will host and it's those negotiations (to land on the successful institution or institutions) that are currently underway.

Thanks.

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2013 8:08 AM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Gilmore, Dan GCPE:EX
Subject: Re: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Hi Rodney,

We are in discussions with the two institutions that responded to the request for expressions of interest. Once the host(s) for the School has been identified and announced, THEN the Program Advisory Committee can be established and announced.

Tony, is this your understanding as well?

Lori

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2013 07:52 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Gilmore, Dan GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Hi Tony and Lori; Any update on this one? Particularly thinking around announcing the committee? Is that something coming up anytime soon?

Thanks.

Rodney Porter | Communications Director
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From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: November-05-13 10:28 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Gilmore, Dan GCPE:EX
Subject: Request - Update on TCM school commitment

Hi Tony – I've been asked to update our KMs for the public school of TCM commitment.

We are scheduled to announce details of the program advisory committee in fall and the program around PSI selection in January. Are we still on track and what can we announce for the committee?

- Government is moving ahead on its commitment to create a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in a publicly funded institution.
- British Columbians will benefit from the expanded access to preventative and holistic health care education and potential international partnerships.
- A request for expressions of interest closed in September 2013 with submissions from public post-secondary institutions being evaluated.
- As with all new schools and training programs, a number of steps need to occur. A program advisory committee will be established to guide the development and implementation of a new school of traditional Chinese medicine.

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From: Facey, Nick AVED:EX
Sent: November-05-13 9:24 AM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Cc: Merrifield, Katy AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: FW: PCC issues scan

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From: Kerr, Carleen PREM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2013 9:22 AM
To: Facey, Nick AVED:EX; Merrifield, Katy AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX
Cc: Mills, Shane PREM:EX
Subject: RE: PCC issues scan

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Response:

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 3:18 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: FW: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Forgot to mention -

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 3:13 PM
To: Aitken, Cathy M AVED:EX
Cc: Fowler, Colin N AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
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From: Aitken, Cathy M AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 3:44 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: RE: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

s.17 Colin's in a meeting with Joe until 4:30, when he emerges, I will have a discussion with him on how we are to deal with this. I'll update you following my discussion.

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Cc: Fowler, Colin N AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

thanks, Lori.

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Sunday, December 1, 2013 9:00 PM
To: Aitken, Cathy M AVED:EX
Cc: Fowler, Colin N AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Tab 5C - Traditional Chinese Medicine Project

Hello Cathy,

Attached is the note with our revisions. If you have any questions, please email and I will do my best to respond quickly. Tony and I are at Langara on Monday at a TCM meeting.

Lori



Tab 5C -
Additional Chinese Medicine Project

From: Aitken, Cathy M AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, November 29, 2013 9:30 AM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Fowler, Colin N AVED:EX
Subject: Tab 5C - Traditional Chinese Medicine Project

Lori, I spoke with Colin this morning and gave him a heads-up about the funding issue.

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As I mentioned earlier, our Draft Plan has been reviewed and approved by Joe and Sandra and is scheduled to go to TB and Cabinet next week.

I've drafted a background note for the Minister's meeting with TBS and Cabinet. It's basically a cut/paste from the EOI and includes the cautionary note on the procurement issue. The purpose of this note is to provide the Minister with a summary of the nature of the project. Can you please review and if you have any concerns, besides what you raised yesterday, please let me know.

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Further to the October DN approved recommendation, have the calls with the PSIs taken place?

Thanks, Lori.

Traditional Chinese Medicine Project

The February 2013 Speech from the Throne commits that “government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.”

The Ministry issued a Request of Expression of Interest (EOI) to all 25 public post-secondary institutions in August 2013 to determine interest in establishing a School of TCM. The Request stated that there would be no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School and diploma program delivery. Two institutions responded. Both EOI responses indicated that the cost of establishing the school would create financial pressures for the institution.

Note: Procurement Services Branch has advised that public post-secondary institutions may use funding already provided by AVED in their block operating grants to support the School of TCM, as well as any existing buildings. However, government cannot now provide new funding, either one-time or ongoing, without beginning a new competitive process. Announcing new funding at this point contradicts the message in the EOI request.

Project Description

The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution.

- The School will establish a diploma program.
- TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia (under the Health Professions Act) and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia [CTCMA].
- The current credential for entry-to-practice in British Columbia for TCM and/or acupuncture is a diploma;

The Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education and the host public post-secondary institution(s) will establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School. Discussions are underway with the two responding institutions regarding establishing the School of TCM under a partnership model.

A final decision regarding the host institution(s) is anticipated by December 31, 2013 with a public announcement planned for January 2014.

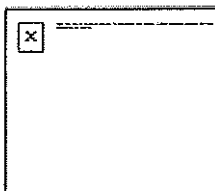
MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Salvador Ferreras [Salvador.Ferreras@kpu.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2013 9:22 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: Re: Examples of MOUs/Partnership Agreements

Hi Lori:

I'm out of town right now but got your message earlier today. Thanks for the attached documents. I'll be discussing this with our senior team by Friday and then will contact Langara.

Sal



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On 2013-12-04, at 12:37 PM, "MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX" <Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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Best regards,

Lori

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Example # 1

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**Institution Name
Address**

AND

**Institution Name
Address**

(Each institution hereafter referred to individually as a "Party" and jointly as the "Parties")

AND (Potentially)

**The Ministry of Advanced Education
Address**

(Hereafter referred to as the Ministry)

Preamble

Text could identify each institution, its location, its student population, its campuses, and its history regarding TCM.

Example of objective of the MOU: Through this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the Parties wish to express their interest in developing and defining a multi-year, and mutually beneficial, collaborative alliance for the establishment of a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) in British Columbia to be located at _____.

SCOPE OF THIS MOU

The purpose of this MOU is to record the intent of the Parties to:

- (a) Define and develop a plan (the Plan) for establishing a School of TCM and a Program Advisory Committee to
- (b) Plan for the location of

AREAS OF COLLABORATION

The Parties intend to pursue the following activities and objectives in their envisaged multi-year collaboration which will be elaborated in the Plan.

- (a) E.g. Activities/objectives re programs or courses
- (b) E.g. Activities/objectives re clinical practice
- (c) E.g. Activities/objectives re students
- (d) E.g. Activities/objectives re other (e.g. marketing, community outreach, etc)

Other potential wording:

Specific actions or projects described in the Plan shall be implemented pursuant to additional Agreements which will outline the funding, resources and legal commitments of each party with respect to the School of TCM. These Agreements may contain details regarding the project description, work plan, staffing, expenditures, funding sources, schedules and duration of projects; provisions for intellectual property, obligations of confidentiality and matters of occupational health and safety for staff. Each Agreement shall be signed by authorised signatories of each Party.

COMMITTEES

- (a) To promote the creation of the Plan the parties will create a TCM Program Advisory Committee as follows:
 - i) By DATE, the Parties will jointly create a TCM Program Advisory Committee, comprised of up to two appointed individuals from each Party (or such other number as may be otherwise agreed upon, from time to time). The TCM Program Advisory Committee will be chaired by

- ii) The purpose of the TCM Program Advisory Committee is to, by DATE, develop and present the Plan to the Ministry.

IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

- (a) The Plan will be presented to the British Columbia Minister of Advanced Education.
- (b) The Minister of Advanced Education will determine the nature and timing of any public announcements regarding the Plan.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Each Party's rights, title and interest in its intellectual property and confidential information remains unaffected by the existence of this MOU.

TERM OF AGREEMENT

- (a) This MOU shall commence on the date of its execution by the last signatory party and shall remain in force for a period of X years.
- (b) Either Party may terminate the MOU by giving three months' notice in writing to the other party. In such event, the Party wishing to terminate the MOU shall consult the other to determine the effect of such dissociation on activities in progress or to develop and implement alternate methods of collaboration. The termination of this MOU shall not affect the validity of any other written agreement between the Parties.
- (c) This MOU may be renewed upon its expiry by written agreement of both Parties.

LEGAL STATUS

- (a) Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as creating any *de facto* company or any other kind of binding legal relationship between the Parties. This MOU is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial co-operation.
- (b) The name, crests and logos of each Institution are the intellectual property of that Institution, and may not be used without that Institution's express written permission for each specific usage.
- (c) The Parties will coordinate with the Ministry any media or public relations statements made regarding this MOU.
- (c) Any dispute, controversy or difference as to the interpretation of this MOU will be settled amicably by mutual consent between the Parties.

Miscellaneous

During the term of this MOU the principal contacts for each Party with respect to the development of the Plan shall be:

For Institution 1:

Name
Title
Phone
E-mail

For Institution 2:

Name
Title
Phone
E-mail

Institution 1 Name

(location of signing, Date):

Institution 2 Name

(location of signing, Date):

**Name
President**

**Name
President**

**Name
Vice President, Academic**

**Name
Vice President**

Example #2

Memorandum of Understanding

Between: Institution #1

And: Institution #2

Re: School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

Date:

1. Preamble:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlines the terms and conditions under which Institution #1 and Institution #2 will develop a plan for implementing a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) to be located at _____.

2. Principles Guiding Development of the School of TCM:

The Ministry of Advanced Education has designated Institution #1 and Institution #2 as host institutions to establish a School of TCM at a public post-secondary institution in British Columbia.

The School of TCM will (statements re the development of the School of TCM through a Program Advisory Committee.....)

3. Governance:

Describe the governance model under which the School of TCM will be administered – for example discuss the role of the Program Advisory Committee – the Program Advisory Committee will determine the governance model or make recommendations regarding the governance model, reporting structure, etc.

4. Roles and Responsibilities:

Core functions associated with the School of TCM are assigned as follows:

Institution #1:

Institution #2

(Potentially limit the discussion to the roles and responsibilities related to establishing the Program Advisory Committee)

5. Funding and Resources:

The School of TCM host institutions are supported...

President
Institution #1

President
Institution #2

Date _____

Date _____

Example #3

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is effective the Xth day of Month 2013.

BETWEEN:

Institution #1 (hereinafter referred to as ACRONYM or full name)

AND

Institution #2 (hereinafter referred to as ACRONYM or full name)

WHEREAS the Government of British Columbia's 2013 Speech to Throne includes a commitment to establish a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM);

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Advanced Education has designated Institution #1 and Institution #2 as host institutions for the School of TCM;

AND WHEREAS Institution #1 and Institution #2 intend to form a partnership to establish the School of TCM.

NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES state their intent as follows:

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.01 The purpose of this MOU is to formalize the intent of Institution #1 and Institution #2 to form a partnership to establish a School of TCM in British Columbia.
- 1.02 This MOU is intended to clarify the expectations of both parties such that there will be an understanding of the respective and joint accountabilities in establishing the School of TCM. Specifically, this MOU:
 - a) commits both parties to jointly establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development of programs and courses at the School of TCM;
 - b) commits both parties to work with and seek approval of the Ministry of Advanced Education regarding any public announcements related to the School of TCM;

2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES:

- 2.01 The Ministry of Advanced Education will not provide new funding to support programs or courses at the School of TCM..
- 2.02 Institution #1 and Institution #2 will:
 - (a) Establish a Program Advisory Committee in the winter of 2014 to guide the development of a plan for the School of TCM that will allow for programs to accept students no later than September 2015;
 - (b) Request approval from the Ministry of Advanced Education regarding any public announcements regarding the School of TCM.

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

- 3.01 Acknowledgement of the role of government will be included in all communications and marketing.

4. AMENDMENTS OR TERMINATION:

- 4.01 This MOU will become effective the day and year as set out above and will continue in effect until DATE or until this MOU is terminated in accordance with section 4.04.
- 4.02 Amendments to this MOU will be negotiated and will be made by written agreement, formally approved and signed by both parties.
- 4.04 This MOU may be terminated on 90 days written notice by either party.

5. KEY CONTACTS:

- 6.01 The following persons will be the primary points of contact for issues that arise under this MOU:

For Institution #1

Name, Title, Phone#, e-mail

Name, Title, Phone#, e-mail

6. MISCELLANEOUS

SIGNED AND DELIVERED on behalf of Institution #1	SIGNED AND DELIVERED on behalf of Institution #2
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MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2013 11:11 AM
To: 'Tru Freeman'
Subject: FW: Examples of MOUs/Partnership Agreements

FYI

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2013 9:41 AM
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Cc: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
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Mr. Richard T. Lee
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Dear Mr. Lee:

Congratulations on your new appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Advanced Education for Traditional Chinese Medicine.

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The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution and work is underway to establish the School. It is critical that there be sufficient government support to ensure a high quality and sustainable School.

Under the direction of the Minister of Advanced Education, the Parliamentary Secretary will serve as the Special Advisor to the Program Advisory Committee, will act as the liaison between the Program Advisory Committee and the broader community, and will submit a report to me by May 31, 2014 that identifies specific opportunities and challenges with establishing the School.

The responsibilities for this important role are set out in the attached document. Please sign this letter at your earliest convenience and return the original to my office.

Ministry of
Advanced Education

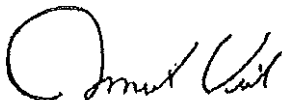
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Parliament Buildings
Victoria

My office will schedule monthly meetings for you to update me on your progress. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



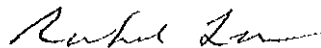
Amrik Virk
Minister

Attachment

pc: The Honourable Christy Clark

I acknowledge the importance and scope of the role of Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine and agree to fulfill the responsibilities as set out in the attached document.

Signed:



Date:

Dec. 20, 2013

**PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY
FOR TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE
TERMS OF REFERENCE**

BACKGROUND:

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The School of TCM is to be established at a public post-secondary institution (several private post-secondary institutions in British Columbia currently deliver TCM education).

The Ministry of Advanced Education (AVED) has the lead for establishing the School of TCM. The host institution(s) will be announced in early 2014. Consistent with establishing health education programs, a Program Advisory Committee will then be established by the host institution(s), consisting of experts in post-secondary education, British Columbia’s TCM regulatory framework and TCM education and practice.

Under the direction of the Minister of Advanced Education, the Parliamentary Secretary will be the Special Advisor to the Program Advisory Committee and will act as the liaison between the Program Advisory Committee and the broader community.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY:

1. Serve as a Special Advisor to the Program Advisory Committee. The Program Advisory Committee, established by the host institution(s), will ensure the TCM program is:
 - Aligned with the healthcare needs of British Columbians;
 - Aligned with the professional regulatory framework for TCM in British Columbia and Canada; and,
 - Aligned with British Columbia labour market needs.
2. Provide a report to the Minister of Advanced Education by May 31, 2014, that identifies:
 - Potential opportunities and challenges with the establishment of the School of TCM; and,
 - Support mechanisms government can provide to support the implementation of a sustainable and high quality TCM School.

3. Participate in public announcements concerning the establishment of the School of TCM in consultation with AVED's Governments Communication Public Engagement Director and the host institution(s), with approval of the Minister of Advanced of Education.
4. Support international partnership opportunities to expand and enhance opportunities for the School of TCM.
5. Act as the ongoing community liaison as the School of TCM is implemented.

PURPOSE:

The Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine will act as the Special Advisor to the Program Advisory Committees that is responsible for establishing a School of TCM at a public post-secondary institution(s) in British Columbia.

REPORTING

The Parliamentary Secretary for TCM will report to the Minister of Advanced Education.

SUPPORT

An Executive Director from AVED will be assigned to support the Parliamentary Secretary.

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From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 1:56 PM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX; Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Loiacono, Catherine GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: Urgent question About public TCM School

Rodney,

To my knowledge, we did not shut down a public TCM school. It's quite possible that PCTIA (or PPSEC - its predecessor) may have closed have a private school. Will check with them to see if they have anything.

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 1:37 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Loiacono, Catherine GCPE:EX
Subject: Urgent question About public TCM School

Tony, was there a public Tcm school that we shut down in 2004? This won't be the first will it?

Rodney Porter
Advanced Education

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From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 11:28 AM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX; Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
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Subject: RE: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Rodney, as requested.

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 19, 2013 11:23 AM
To: Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX; Loiacono, Catherine GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Thanks Bobbi. Can you please me the terms of reference document.

Attached are the current materials.

Also, confirming we have booked space at PVO for the announcement at 1030am on Friday, Dec. 20.

Rodney Porter | Communications Director
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Mobile: s.17 **email:** rodney.porter@gov.bc.ca

From: Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX
Sent: December-18-13 2:02 PM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: RE: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Good to go from my perspective. I am going to contact KPU and Langara tomorrow morning so they are not surprised.

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: December-18-13 1:36 PM
To: Plecas, Bobbi AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: Fw: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Media advisory lined up to go Thursday morning at 11am.

Can you please confirm that we're good to go.

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Advanced Education
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From: Boudreau, Marc GCPE:EX
Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2013 9:38 AM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Cc: Loiacono, Catherine GCPE:EX
Subject: RE: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Good Morning Rodney,

Please find attached your Media Advisory for final edits and approval.

Once approved we will queue this for Thursday, Dec. 19 at 11 AM to all Lower Mainland media as well as the Legislative press gallery and all ethnic media.

Please call with any edits.

Marc
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From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: December-18-13 9:34 AM
To: GCPE Editors
Cc: Loiacono, Catherine GCPE:EX
Subject: MA_TCM_Dec17_7pm

Media advisory for Thursday, Dec. 19 at around 11am.... For Lower mainland, press gallery and all multicultural.
Thanks.

Thursday, Dec. 19, 2013

Ministry of Advanced Education

MEDIA ADVISORY

VANCOUVER – Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk will be joined by Burnaby North MLA Richard T. Lee to provide an update on the government's commitment to establish the first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in British Columbia.

Event Date: Friday, Dec. 20, 2013

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location:

Suite 730, 999 Canada Place
Vancouver

Media contact:

Catherine Loiacono
Communications Manager
Ministry of Advanced Education
250 952-6400

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2013 4:24 PM
To: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Cc: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Congratulations to the Parliamentary Secretary for TCM
Attachments: 2013Dec20MLA-LeeRichardCongratulationsI.pdf

Could you please prepare a suitable suggested response that I can forward to MLA Lee for his signature.

Thanks.

From: Lee.MLA, Richard [<mailto:Richard.Lee.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2013 4:11 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Gill, Manjit AVED:EX; Facey, Nick AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Congratulations to the Parliamentary Secretary for TCM

Hi Tony,

The College is quick on this. Do I have corresponding support on this kind of emails?

Richard.

From: Mary Watterson [<mailto:registrar@ctcma.bc.ca>]
Sent: December 20, 2013 2:42 PM
To: Lee.MLA, Richard
Subject: Congratulations to the Parliamentary Secretary for TCM

Dear Richard

Please find attached our letter of congratulations on your appointment as Parliamentary Secretary for TCM.

With Best Wishes to you and your family for the Holiday Season.

Kindest regards

Mary

Mary Watterson
Dr. TCM, Registrar

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College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia

December 20, 2013

Email: Richard.Lee.MLA@leg.bc.ca

Mr. Richard Lee, MLA
Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine
1833 Willingdon Avenue
Burnaby, BC
V5C 5R3

Dear Richard

On behalf of the Board and Registrants of the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of BC I extend our hearty congratulations on your appointment as Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine. We were delighted to hear the announcement today from the Honourable Minister of Advanced Education Amrik Virk.

We look forward to working with you in the future. We are available for consultation or informal discussion at any time. Your keen interest and valuable support of the profession of TCM over the years is greatly appreciated by our community.

Congratulations again on your appointment.

Yours sincerely

Mary S. Watterson, Dr.TCM
Registrar/CEO



MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2014 2:42 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Call with Langara

I left a voice mail for Ian letting him know that a letter withdrawing their submission to the request for expressions of interest will suffice. I also let him know that we respect Langara's decision

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2014 1:24 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: Call with Langara

Hello Tony,

Ian Humphries phoned this morning to let me know that Langara would be withdrawing from the TCM process.

Here are the key points from our discussion:

1. Langara's executive has held recent discussions and is not comfortable with the timelines associated with TCM announcements.
2. There is a lack of alignment between Langara and KPU's thinking in terms of how each institution would position TCM programming. KPU would house the programming within the School of Health and Human Services (academic side of the house) and Langara would house the programming within Continuing Studies.

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3. Langara would like to know if they will be prevented from establishing TCM education in future if they withdraw now. I discussed the requirement for Ministry approval of new health programs, regardless of the funding model and source of funding. I offered to provide Ian with further information on the approval requirement, process, and criteria. Ian did mention that over the past several years, Langara has developed curriculum and identified faculty for TCM programming. We did not discuss why they had not yet implemented a program.
4. Given that the Ministry's request for expressions of interest stated that no additional funding from government is available, Langara will not be pleased if funding is subsequently provided and will feel that they were misled. I let Ian know that based on the information available to Tony and I, there is no additional government funding available. However, I also let him know that conversations do happen at other levels and in other arenas that Tony and I may not be privy to.

Ian would like to know how the Ministry suggests they withdraw (i.e., is a letter preferred).
and I committed to getting back to him today. He can be reached on his cell at

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Lori

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Mackenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Mackenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 11:43 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: TCM summary doc
Attachments: TCM Summary Document.docx

Here you go. Let me know if you want any changes made.

-----Original Message-----

From: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 10:52 AM
To: Mackenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: TCM summary doc

Hi Lori,

the background compilation piece (for Richard Lee) that you gave me in hardcopy, could you possibly send it to me electronically?

Thanks.

TCM Backgrounder

1. Government of British Columbia – Commitments

a. Throne Speech – February 12, 2013

An innovative health-care system must respond to the changing needs of its citizens and embrace practices beyond traditional western medicine. In the months ahead, your government will begin work to create the environment for a school of traditional Chinese medicine at a British Columbian post-secondary institution.

b. BC Liberal Party Spring 2013 Election Platform Document Wording

As announced in Throne Speech 2013, the government will partner with a publicly funded post-secondary institution to develop a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Immediately following the election, a BC Liberal government will convene an advisory committee to help guide the development of this new school.

2. Establishing a School of TCM in British Columbia

a. Project Description

- The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution.
- The School will establish a diploma program.
- TCM and Acupuncture are designated health professions in British Columbia (under the Health Professions Act and regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia [CTCMA]).
- A valid registration (professional licence) issued by CTCMA is required in order to practise TCM and acupuncture in British Columbia (registration requires passing the CTCMA examination, 2 years of university and a specified number of hours of clinical and practicum hours;
- The current credential for entry-to-practice in British Columbia for TCM and/or acupuncture is a diploma;
- The *Entry-level Occupational Competencies for the Practice of TCM in Canada 2010* ("the Competencies") were developed by the Canadian Alliance of Regulatory Bodies for Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists.
- The Ministry issued a call of Expression of Interest (EOI) to all 25 public post-secondary institutions to determine interest in establishing a School of TCM.
- The EOI stated that there would be no additional funding available from government for start-up of the School and diploma program delivery.
- Two institutions responded. Both EOI responses indicated that the cost of establishing the school would create financial pressures for the institution.
- The Deputy Minister, Ministry of Advanced Education and the host public post-secondary institution will establish a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School.
- Procurement Services Branch has advised that public post-secondary institutions may use funding already provided by AVED in their block operating grants to support the School of TCM, as well as any existing buildings.

- Announcing new funding at this point contradicts the message in the EOI request. (If government wishes to provide new funding, either one-time or ongoing, a new competitive process should be launched).
- CONFIDENTIAL: Discussions are underway with the two responding institutions regarding establishing the School of TCM under a partnership model. (Press Release in progress)
- Establishing a new school at a public post-secondary institution is a complex and multi-phased process that may require several years before the school is fully operational and accepting students.

3. TCM Program Advisory Committee

a. Health Program Advisory Committees:

- i. Program advisory committees for health education programs typically include subject matter experts in health care delivery, health education, finance, entry-to-practice education and practical experience criteria, the regulatory environment for the program, etc.
- ii. The Program Advisory Committee will be responsible for developing a full program proposal to be provided to the Ministry of Advanced Education for approval (as required by all new programs in the public post-secondary system).
- iii. Participation on the Committee is viewed as service to the public and/or a professional opportunity and members will not be paid.

4. The Parliamentary Secretary for TCM

- a. The Parliamentary Secretary for TCM will report to the Minister of Advanced Education, who has the lead in establishing the School of TCM.
- b. The Parliamentary Secretary is MLA Richard Lee. Appointed on December 20, 2013.
- b. Parliamentary Secretary responsibilities include:
 - i. Ensuring the program is aligned with healthcare and labour market needs.
 - ii. Providing a report by May 31, 2014 outlining potential opportunities and challenges.
 - iii. Acting as a special advisory to the Program Advisory Committee and being a liaison to the broader community.
 - iv. Identifying international partnership opportunities to expand and enhance the Traditional Chinese Medicine program.

5. Legal and Regulatory Framework of TCM in British Columbia

a. *Health Professions Act*

TCM is regulated under the *Health Professions Act* and the Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists Regulation since December 4, 2000. Acupuncture has been a designated health profession under the *Health Professions Act* since April 1, 1996.

b. Regulatory Body

- i. The College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists (CTCMA) of British Columbia is the regulatory body established for the health professions of traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) and acupuncture by the *Health Professions Act*.
- ii. Effective April 12, 2003, a valid registration (professional licence) issued by CTCMA is required in order to practise TCM and acupuncture in British Columbia.

- iii. CTCMA seeks to protect the public by ensuring that anyone holding themselves out as practicing or qualified to practice TCM or acupuncture is registered through the College. In addition to the restricted titles, the CTCMA has adopted and uses the following marks:
 - Dr. TCM, D.T.C.M., Registered D.T.C.M., Doctor of TCM, Registered D.P.C.M., Doctorate of Philosophy in Chinese Medicine
 - R. TCM. P., Registered TCM Practitioner
 - R. Ac., Acupuncturist, Registered Acupuncturist
 - R. TCM. H., Registered TCM Herbalist
- c. **CTCMA Registrations**
 - a. The CTCMA Website lists 1,488 registrants (as at January 7, 2014). Registrant categories include Acupuncturist, Practitioner, Dr. TCM and Herbalist.
- d. **CTCMA Board**
 - i. The current Chair of the CTCMA Board is John Blazevic. The Board appointed Dr. Mary S. Watterson as Registrar, she is also the Chief Executive Officer in the operation of the College.
 - ii. The composition of the board of CTCMA is:
 - six elected TCM practitioners; and
 - three public representatives appointed by the Minister of Health
 - iii. CTCMA Board Members
 - Blazevic, John (Chair, Registrant Member) – Doctor of TCM.
 - Lee, BC (Vice Chair, Public Member) Marketing professional specializing in business development, marketing communications, public & media relations and internal communications.
 - Cao, Ben (Registrant Member) - Doctor of TCM. Dr. Cao obtained his Medical Doctor degree from the Medical School of Beijing University in China..
 - Chen, Chang-Jen Paul (Registrant Member) - Registered TCM Practitioner.
 - Ho, Paul Sit Cheong (Registrant Member) - Registered Acupuncturist
 - Howard, Todd (Registrant Member) - Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine
 - MacLeod, William (Bill) D. (Public member) - Lawyer
 - Stewart, Vivienne (Public member) - Lawyer
 - Tan, Weijia (Registrant Member) – Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine
- e. **Ministry of Health**
 - i. The Ministry of Health is the Ministry responsible for liaison with the CTCMA.
- f. **Other TCM/Acupuncture Regulatory Organizations in Canada**
 - i. College & Association of Acupuncturists of Alberta. Acupuncture is regulated in Alberta under the Alberta *Health Professions Act*. Other Chinese Medicine professions are not included in the *Act*.
 - ii. College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Ontario (Traditional Chinese Medicine Act passed in 2006 to create the CTCMPA; however, the CTCMPA only began regulating TCM on April 1, 2013).
 - iii. Ordre des acupuncteurs du Québec (OAQ)
 - iv. College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of NL (The Newfoundland and Labrador Health Professions Council is established in the Newfoundland and Labrador *Health Professions Act*. Acupuncture is a health profession established in the Act.) The Council works in consultation with the College of

Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of NL and the colleges of the other health professions established under the *Act*.

6. Public Funding

a. Funding for TCM Treatments in British Columbia

- i. The British Columbia Medical Services Plan (MSP) began covering acupuncture treatments for individuals covered under premium assistance (low income assistance) (MSP pays \$23 per session for a maximum combination of 10 sessions from registered acupuncturists, physiotherapists, naturopaths, chiropractors, registered massage therapists, and non-surgical podiatrists).
- ii. The Ministry of Health does not have plans to include TCM treatments in regular MSP coverage (statement provided to the media as well as to AVED staff).

b. Funding for TCM Education in British Columbia

- i. The Call for Expressions of Interest for public institutions interested in establishing a School of TCM stated that there will be no new public funding for the School of TCM.

c. Funding for TCM Treatments in other provinces (information found via internet searches– other services may or may not be covered)

- i. Alberta: Services provided by a acupuncturist, licensed massage therapist, homeopath, naturopath are not covered
- ii. Ontario: Acupuncture is not covered

7. Educational Requirements

a. Competencies

- i. The *Entry-level Occupational Competencies for the Practice of TCM in Canada 2010* (“the Competencies”) were developed by the Canadian Alliance of Regulatory Bodies for Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists (CARB-TCMPA) over the period 2008-2010. CARB-TCMPA is the national organization of provincial and territorial regulatory bodies that govern and monitor the practice of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners, Acupuncturists and/or Herbologists.
- ii. Ministry of Health is responsible for working with stakeholders to determine entry-to-practice competencies for health professionals.
- iii. Educators are responsible for determining the education required to meet the competencies.

b. Competency Examinations Requirements:

- i. R.Ac. (Registered Acupuncturist)
 - Acupuncture Written and Clinical Examination
 - Two-Year University Requirement, AND
 - 1,900 hrs including 450 hrs of practicum completed in a minimum of 3 academic years
- ii. R.TCM.H. (Registered Traditional Chinese Medicine Herbalist)
 - Herbology Written and Clinical Examination
 - Two-Year University Requirement, AND
 - 1,900 hrs including 450 hrs of practicum completed in a minimum of 3 academic years
- iii. R.TCM.P. (Registered Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner)
 - Practitioners Written and Clinical Examination, OR

- Acupuncture Written and Clinical Examination, AND Herbology Written and Clinical Examination
- Two-Year University Requirement, AND
- 2,600 hrs including 650 hrs of practicum completed in a minimum of 4 academic years
- iv. Dr.TCM. (Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine)
 - Dr.TCM Written and Clinical Examination
 - Two-Year University Requirement, AND
 - 3,250 hrs including 1,050 hrs of practicum completed in a minimum of 5 academic years
 - Applicants applying to write this examination must already be registered as R.TCM.P or be eligible to apply for R.TCM.P title
- c. **Entry to Practice Credential**
 - i. A TCM Degree program is not currently offered in British Columbia.
 - ii. The entry-to-practice credential for TCM in British Columbia is a diploma.
 - iii. AVED recently consulted with the Ministry of Health (MoH) regarding an application from a private post-secondary institution to establish a Bachelor of TCM (Acupuncture), (new degree programs in the health field are required to submit proposals to AVED). MoH does not support an increase in the entry-to-practice credential for TCM and the application from the private institution did not proceed to full review by the Degree Quality Assessment Board.
- d. **Current Issues related to CTCMA Educational Requirements**
 - i. In December 2009, the CTCMA amended its bylaws to introduce the following requirement for registration: *“successful completion of not less than two (2) years of liberal arts or sciences study (comprised of at least 60 credits) in an accredited college or chartered/approved university acceptable to the registration committee”*. The intent of this bylaw is not known and stakeholders, including students, educators and TCM professionals continue to challenge government and the CTCMA regarding this lack of clarity on the reasons for the requirement or how it contributes to the competencies required in the field.
 - ii. Students either complete the two years before or after completing a TCM diploma. (Note that most current private TCM institutions do not require post-secondary for admission. This has resulted in student complaints, as although they have completed the full program at the institution, they cannot take the TCM examinations until they complete the 2 years of post-secondary credits.)
 - iii. MoH staff are supportive of efforts to achieve greater clarity regarding education requirements for TCM.

8. Professional Associations

- a. **Traditional Chinese Medicine Association of British Columbia**

“The TCMABC exists to support practitioners of TCM in the spirit of open communication and cooperation. Support comes in the form of representation, education, and increased public awareness with the goal to create a unified, successful, and healthy TCM practitioner community.”
- b. **Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Association of Canada**

CMAAC, the Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Association of Canada, is a non-profit, charitable organization registered with the Federal Government. From its inception in 1983, its mandate has been to lobby for regulation of TCM and Acupuncture for the best interests of the public and to protect the high repute of the TCM community. There are eight chapter offices across Canada along with chapters in Hong Kong.

- c. **Canadian Alliance of Regulatory Bodies for Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists.**
- d. **Alberta Association of Traditional Chinese Medical Doctors**
- e. **Saskatchewan Acupuncture Association**
- f. **Manitoba Professional Acupuncture Association**
- g. **Ontario Council of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine**
- h. **Nova Scotia Association of Acupuncturists**

9. Labour Market NOC Code Information

a. 3232 Practitioners of natural healing

Practitioners of natural healing provide health care to patients using traditional Chinese medicine techniques and other forms of treatment including acupuncture, herbology or reflexology to promote, maintain and restore the holistic health of patients. They usually work in private practice, including group or team practices, or are employed by clinics, health clubs and spas.

WorkBC Labour Market Navigator information for provided for NOC 3232 includes:

- 1) Average salary \$11,000-\$33,000
- 2) Unemployment rate 2.1 % by 2020
- 3) Estimated number of job openings in 2013 1,000
- 4) Estimated demand for workers in 2013 18,400

The following is a summary of the main duties for some occupations in this unit group:

- Traditional Chinese medicine practitioners diagnose the diseases, physiological disorders and injuries of patients and treat them using raw herbs and other medicines, dietary supplements or acupuncture.
- Acupuncturists diagnose symptoms, physiological disorders and injuries of patients and treat them by the insertion of acupuncture needles or through stimulation techniques such as acupressure, moxibustion, cupping or electrical current.
- Herbalists assess patients and advise them on the use of herbs for the treatment of conditions such as arthritis, rheumatism, asthma, skin disorders and stomach ailments and may cultivate herbs and manufacture and sell herbal compounds.
- Homeopaths diagnose illnesses and treat them by administering, in chemical or herbal form, a small dosage of the illness itself or by suggesting lifestyle changes.
- Reflexologists apply gentle finger pressure to specific spots on the clients' feet or hands to promote relaxation and better health and well-being.

10. Tuition Fees:

- a. As the public institution program would be a cost-recovery program and a new program, the institution could set tuition at a level needed to support the full costs of the program. Once established, the tuition and other fees for the program would be subject to AVED's tuition policy (rate of inflation or 2 percent per year).

- b. Tuition for TCM program varies at the private institutions offering TCM programs in British Columbia. For example, one-year of Doctor of TCM training has tuition ranging from approximately \$8,000 to \$11,000, plus other fees.

11. Six PCTIA Registered and Accredited and CTCMA Recognized Private Institutions in British Columbia offer programs in TCM (Private Career Training Institutions Agency [PCTIA] <http://www.pctia.bc.ca/listings>)

1. *Academy of Classical Oriental Sciences*, Nelson BC. www.acos.org
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 16 programs offered including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); Traditional Chinese Medicine Herbalist (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (1, 2, 3 yr Diplomas); and Distance Education/Continuing Education.
 - d. Tuition fees vary by program per year. Approximately \$9,000 to \$17,000.
 - e. Education Quality Assurance designated.
2. *International College of Traditional Chinese Medicine of Vancouver*, Vancouver BC. www.tcmcollege.com
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 17 programs offered including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Chinese Tui Na Massage Certificate; Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); Traditional Chinese Medicine Herbalist (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diplomas); and Home study various topics certificate.
 - d. Tuition fees vary by program per year. Approximately \$9,000 to \$11,000.
 - e. Not Education Quality Assurance designated.
3. *Oshio College of Acupuncture and Herbology*, Victoria BC. www.oshio.ca
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 13 programs offered including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Chinese Tui Na Massage Certificate; Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); and Practitioner of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diplomas).
 - d. Tuition fees are \$7,400 per program.
 - e. Not Education Quality Assurance Designated
4. *Pacific Rim College*, Victoria BC. www.pacificrimcollege.ca
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 26 programs offered including: Acupuncture (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diplomas); Community Herbalist Certificate; Diploma of Holistic Nutrition; Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); Eastern Therapies and Bodywork Diploma; Holistic Doula Certificate; Holistic Nutrition Certificate; Japanese Acupuncture Certificate; Natural Health (1, 2 yr Certificate); Phytotherapy Herbal Medicine (1, 2, 3 yr

- Diploma); Traditional Thai Massage Certificate; Yogatherapy Diploma; and Continuing Education.
- d. Tuition fees vary by program per year. Most programs in the range of \$9,000, but up to \$27,000.
- e. Education Quality Assurance designated.
- 5. *PCU College of Holistic Medicine*, Burnaby BC. www.pcucollege.ca
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 13 programs offered including: Acupuncture (1, 2, 3, yr Diplomas); Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine Diploma; Registered Massage Therapy Diploma; Traditional Chinese Medicine Individual Courses; Traditional Chinese Medicine Herbalist (1, 2, 3 yr Diploma); Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (1, 2, 3 yr Diploma); and TUINA/ANMO Diploma
 - d. Tuition fees vary by program per year. Approximately \$3,000 to \$27,000
 - e. Not Education Quality Assurance designated
- 6. *Vancouver Beijing College of Chinese Medicine*, Richmond BC. www.tcmvbc.com
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 11 programs offered including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, yr Diplomas); Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diploma); Herbalist (1, 2 yr Diploma); and Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (1, 2, 3 yr Diploma).
 - d. Tuition fees vary by program per year. Approximately \$8,000 to \$11,400
 - e. Education Quality Assurance designated
- 7. *Central College Inc.* in New Westminster BC. <http://centralcollege.ca/>
 - a. PCTIA Registered and Accredited
 - b. Not CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 19 programs offered including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, yr Diplomas); Continuing Education Oriental Medicine Certificate; Doctor of Oriental Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); ESL Certificate; Herbology (1, 2, 3 yr Diploma); Oriental Tui-Na Massage Diploma; Practitioner of Oriental Medicine (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diploma); and Sushi Chef Diploma.
 - d. Tuition fees – information not available
 - e. Not Education Quality Assurance designated
- 8. *Jireh CE International College of Holistic Medicine*, Vancouver, BC. <http://jcecollege.ca/>
 - a. PCTIA Registered – Not PCTIA Accredited
 - b. Not CTCMA Recognized
 - c. 15 programs including: Acupuncturist (1, 2, yr Diplomas); Doctor of TCM (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 yr Diplomas); TCM Herbalist (1, 2, 3 yr Diploma); and TCM Practitioner (1, 2, 3, 4 yr Diploma).
 - d. Tuition fees – information not available
 - e. Not Education Quality Assurance designated

12. British Columbia Public Post-secondary Institutions with TCM related programs

- a. **Selkirk College - Associate of Arts Degree for Entry to Traditional Chinese Medicine.** Specifically designed for entrance into the Academy of Classical Oriental Sciences in Nelson, BC, the program meets the BC licensing requirements for two years of directed university

study. Includes a blend of arts and sciences courses in subjects like: Anthropology, Sociology, Philosophy, Statistics, Mathematics for teachers, Addictions, Literature, Psychology, Chemistry, and Biology.

b. Langara College - TCM / Acupuncture Record Keeping

Learn proper record keeping; creating and managing patient records, risk management, informed consent and refusal, privacy and legalities. This course is offered through Continuing Studies at Langara College.

13. Previous Proposals to Establish a School of TCM at a public institution in British Columbia

- a. In 1998, the British Columbia Health Professions Council recommended that the Minister of Health establish a College of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- b. The British Columbia Institute of Technology planned to develop a proposal to offer degree programs in naturopathy, TCM and other alternative health therapies.
- c. The planned proposal was later cancelled. BCIT indicated that the reason was the difficulty in attracting students. (This information was taken from a media article. Ministry of Advanced Education staff do not have any further information on the proposal.)
- d. The British Columbia Medical Association raised concerns, in particular that BCIT's reputation for delivering quality health programs for other professions would be damaged.

14. Establishing Health programs in the British Columbia Public Post-Secondary System

- a. Since 2008, an annual health education planning process has been established between the Ministry of Advanced Education and the Ministry of Health. The Ministry of Health is responsible for identifying priorities for health education program expansion while the Ministry of Advanced Education works with post-secondary institutions to facilitate and ensure alignment with available budgets; provincial coordination and system rationalisation; sufficient institutional capacity, student access, sufficient clinical placement capacity; and distribution to meet regional health human resource demand. A mix of recruitment, retention, education and other strategies is needed to address current and projected demand.
- b. The Ministry of Advanced Education reviews all new degree and non-degree health programs at public colleges and institutes based on priorities and direction provided by the Ministry of Health and other education program considerations.
- c. All new degree programs from private institutions first must undergo a quality assessment process overseen by the Degree Quality Assessment Board, who makes recommendations to the Minister of Advanced Education.
- e. British Columbia universities are not required to submit program proposals to AVED in order to establish a diploma program. Therefore, a university could establish a TCM program whether or not they have responded to AVED's EOI request. Further, a university could establish TCM programs, even if AVED does not announce that university as the institution to house the new School of TCM.

15. AVED Reporting Requirements

- a. Although information about the number of students and student full-time equivalents (FTE) in the new School of TCM could be requested by AVED, because funding will not be provided, AVED would not set student FTE targets and reporting requirements. AVED may wish to

formalize reporting expectations with the host institution (s) given that this is a Throne Speech commitment.

16. TCM Schools in Other Provinces

a. Alberta Acupuncture:

In Alberta, the following institutions offer education programs in Acupuncture:

- i. Private: the Alberta College of Acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine in Calgary offers a 117 week program. Admission requirements include a high school diploma with 60 per cent or better in Grade 12 English, math and science. Applicants must have been out of school for two years or have successfully completed one year of post-secondary education or equivalent training.
- ii. Private: the Calgary College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture in Calgary offers a 123 week program. Admission requirements include a high school diploma with at least 60 per cent in a Grade 12 English, math and science, or equivalent.
- iii. Private: the Canadian Institute of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Calgary offers a 208 week program. Admission requirements include a high school diploma or equivalent.
- iv. Private: Reeves College in Edmonton offers a 99 week program. Applicants must have completed at least two years of post-secondary education with a minimum GPA of 2.0/4.0 and submit an essay describing the applicant's abilities and reasons for entering the program.
- v. Public: Grant MacEwan University in Edmonton offers a three year program. Admission requirements include no course grade lower than 50 percent in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Biology 30 and Chemistry 30 or Science 30, one Group A, B or C course and at least two years of post-secondary education with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0/4.0. The three-year diploma prepares you to become a registered acupuncturist in Alberta. The program is offered to students who have completed at least two years of post-secondary education in any discipline. MacEwan Acupuncture graduates are able to transfer a maximum of 75 credits to Thompson Rivers University in British Columbia toward TRU's Online Learning Bachelor of Health Science degree or Bachelor of General Studies degree.

b. Alberta Herbology

- i. The practice of herbology is not regulated in Alberta. There are no standard minimum education or training requirements. However, practising herbalists strongly recommend education or training in herbology, nutrition, anatomy and physiology.
- ii. Grant MacEwan University in Edmonton offers a two year Holistic Health Practitioner diploma program that includes courses in herbology.

c. Ontario Acupuncture:

- i. Private: No information found (i.e. official list)
- ii. Public: McMaster University

d. Quebec Acupuncture:

- i. Private: No information found (i.e. official list)
- ii. Public: Collège de Rosemont in Quebec. Three year diploma. Offered in Montreal. Only French-language public acupuncture program in North America.

e. Newfoundland and Labrador - Acupuncture

- i. Private: Eastern College (Acupuncture)
- ii. Private: Western College

17. Federal Initiatives on/related to TCM

a. Advisory Council on Traditional Chinese Medicine

- i. Mandate: to provide advice on current and emerging issues related to Traditional Chinese Medicines, including the importation, sale, and use of Traditional Chinese Medicines in Canada; the practice of Traditional Chinese Medicines in Canada, noting that this is subject to provincial jurisdiction; and novel Traditional Chinese Medicines. The Advisory Council was established in 2012 and members are appointed until 2014.
- ii. Members from British Columbia are Mr. John Blaževic, Chair, CTCMA of BC; Mr. Jackie Chong, General Manager at Wing Quon Enterprises Limited; Mr. Albert Fok, President of the Vancouver Chinatown Business Improvement Area Society; Ms. Nancy Ming Lan Hsu, Project Manager T&T Supermarket Inc.; Dr. John Yung-chou Lee, Lee's Chinese Medicine & Acupuncture Clinic; Mr. Steve K. Liao, President of Celex Laboratories Inc.; Dr. John Stan, Member of the Quality Assurance Committee for the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists; Mr. Hui Dong Wang, President of United Wings Enterprise Inc.; Dr. Sherry Xueju Xie, Chief Scientific Officer and Research and Development Manager in Viva Pharmaceutical Inc..

b. Health Canada (Regulates the sale of natural health products.

c. Foreign Credential Recognition Program (support to implement pan-Canadian exams for Canadian and internationally trained acupuncturists and traditional Chinese medicine practitioners)

18. Recognition of Foreign Credentials for TCM

- a. The Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials directs individuals with respect to appropriate steps to take in terms of assessments of qualifications/educational credentials received in other countries.
- b. For more information on the practice of Traditional Chinese Medicine and acupuncture in Canada and membership in the national association, contact:

Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Association of Canada (CMAAC)

154 Wellington St.
London ON N6B 2K8 Canada
Phone : 519-642-1970
Fax : 519-642-2932
Email : cmaac@execulink.com
<http://www.cmaac.ca/>

- c. Although evaluation services offer expert advice on how qualifications obtained abroad compare with academic credentials obtained in Canada, their evaluations are advisory only and do not guarantee recognition of your qualifications for employment or certification purposes in Canada. Please note that evaluation services charge a fee for their assessments.

19. Challenges to Establishing a School of TCM

a. Challenges identified in the Communications Plan and Communications materials

- i. Questions may be asked about why government is undertaking the commitment given the labour market analysis shows that there is not a huge demand for a profession on the lower pay scale.

- ii. Questions may be asked about why government is not focusing on other health innovative approaches.
- iii. Currently there are six private career training institutions (Recognized by the CTCMA) that provide training so the need for a public institution may be questioned.
- iv. Students at private colleges have raised concerns about the registration requirements by the college as being confusing and potentially misleading (e.g. PCU College of Holistic Medicine in Burnaby and Central College in New Westminster).

20. Technical Considerations of Establishing a Public Post-secondary School of TCM

- a. Tuition: Will be cost recovery – potentially in the range of \$10,000 to \$11,000 per year.
- b. Programs Offered: Which programs will the School open first? Will a degree program be developed?
- c. Budget:
 - i. Start-up costs: How will start-up costs be financed?
 - ii. FTE costs: Will other program funding be re-profiled?
 - iii. Capital costs: for classrooms and clinic (construction/rental etc.)?
 - iv. Advertising and Marketing:
- d. Student Enrolment numbers: Sustainable size of the program? (24 in Year 1 to 166 after fully established suggested in proposals)
- e. International Partner/International study exchanges: Who? When?
- f. Clinical practicum hours: How to address the challenges of supervision, attracting patients, insurance, etc?
- g. Location: One or more?
- h. Faculty: How many are needed?
- i. Research: Will the School have a research mandate/component?

Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 2:44 PM
To: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX; Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Updated TCM materials...
Attachments: EP_TCM_Host PSIs_Jan17_12pm.docx; FS_One_Pager_TCM_Jan17_12pm.docx; MA_TCM_Jan17_7am.docx; NR_TCM_Host PSI_Jan17_12pm.docx; QA_TCM_Host PSIs_Jan17_12pm.docx; SN_TCM_Host PSI_Jan17_12pm.docx

FYI

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 1:24 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Updated TCM materials...

Thank you. All changes made and substitutes replaced.

Will send to Bobbi and Sandra now...

Rodney Porter | Communications Director
Government Communications & Public Engagement
B.C. Ministry of Advanced Education

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From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 12:30 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Updated TCM materials...

Hello,

I have made a number of suggested revisions in track changes. I don't recall seeing the adjective "holistic" in previous material. I have changed to complementary but I'm not vehemently opposed to "holistic".

The following messaging is new to me and I'm wondering if Ministry of Health supports it. It almost implies that MoH is heading toward broader benefits coverage of TCM services:

- At the end of the day, our focus is on giving British Columbians more choice and greater options that complement the existing approach to health care.

Happy to discuss.

Lori

-----Original Message-----

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2014 8:44 AM

To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Subject: Updated TCM materials...

Updated to one host institution...

- News release
- Q&A (it has been reported that Langara and KPU both submitted expressions of interest)
- Speaking notes
- Event plan (we may end up going to KPU)
- Fact sheet (MO requested a high-level one pager for HLTH)
- Media advisory

Event Proposal
MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION

Event Title: Announce the name of the publicly funded, post-secondary institution that will host the province's first School of Traditional Chinese Medicine: Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

Date: Jan. 24, 2014	
Note: Chinese New Year is Jan. 31, 2014	Media Market: Majors, lower mainland and multicultural
Time: 10am	
Location: Kwantlen Polytechnic University	English Media Spokesperson: Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk / PS Lee
	Multicultural Media Spokesperson: Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk / PS Lee
Author/Ministry: AVED	

THE EVENT

PROACTIVE EVENT OR INVITATION

- GCPE led event to publicly announce the name of the publicly funded post-secondary institution that will host the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

EVENT

- The announcement is that Kwantlen Polytechnic University will host the public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FUNDING / PARTNER FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE):

- There is no new or additional funding being provided by government for the School.
- Once the programming and other elements of the School are identified and costs better understood, the host institution will determine how the School will be funded.

WHO'S ORGANIZING?

- GCPE with support from Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

- The commitment to create a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a British Columbian publicly funded, post-secondary institution was included in the February 2013 speech from the throne and is a government platform commitment. It is also an expectation in the minister's mandate letter.
- Public commitment was made in a previous media event that the host institution would be named in January 2014.
- Questions have been asked about the credibility of Traditional Chinese Medicine including the BC Medical Association saying Traditional Chinese Medicine is unproven and ineffective.

VENUE DESCRIPTION

- Options include:
 - Kwantlen Polytechnic University TBC
 - Parker Place in Richmond TBC

EVENT PARTICIPANTS (SPEAKERS)

- Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University president Alan Davis TBC
- Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine Richard T. Lee
- Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism Teresa Wat

KEY VALIDATORS & STAKEHOLDERS

- Dr. Gavin Stuart, UBC Dean, Faculty of Medicine
- Mary Watterson, Registrar, College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture
- Chinese community groups e.g. S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- British Columbians
- Media
- International audience

VISUAL MESSAGE(S)

DESIRED PICTURE (STILL/VIDEO)

- Minister receiving TCM next to TCM practitioner

ACTUAL SPEAKING BACKDROP

- Podium sign will read: Public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

WRITTEN MESSAGE(S)

DESIRED SOUNDBITE / KEY NEWS RELEASE SOUNDBITE

- Government is making good progress on its commitment to the citizens of B.C. to create a public School of TCM. Kwantlen Polytechnic University has the experience and expertise to host the School of TCM.

KEY MESSAGES

- Government is making good progress on its commitment to establish the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Progress to date includes appointing a Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine and selecting a public post-secondary institution – Kwantlen Polytechnic University – to host the public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine
- At the end of the day, our focus is on what's good for British Columbians, how we can make B.C.'s first School of Traditional Chinese Medicine a reality in a growing area of health care.

Public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

The commitment to create an environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a British Columbian publicly funded, post-secondary institution was included in the February 2013 speech from the throne and is a government platform commitment.

Traditional Chinese Medicine is a designated health profession under the Health Professions Act (since 1999) and is regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia.

The College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia issues licences to practice in the following categories: Registered Acupuncturist (R.Ac), Registered TCM Herbalist (R. TCM.H), Registered TCM Practitioner (R. TCM. P) and Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (Dr.TCM).

There are six private schools operating in B.C. that are accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency and recognized by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine of British Columbia. Currently, there are no Traditional Chinese Medicine schools in the public post-secondary system.

There is no additional funding available from government for the School. Once the programming and other elements of the School are identified and costs better understood, the host institution will determine how the School will be funded. Options may include from within the existing operating grant, tuition, clinic patient fees, donors, etc..

Richard T. Lee was appointed on Dec. 20, 2014 as Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Following a Request for Expressions of Interest in summer 2012/13, the host institution for the public school will be Kwantlen Polytechnic University. This will be announced on Jan. 24, 2014.

Next steps include: establishing a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine and receiving a report by May 31, 2014 from the Parliamentary Secretary on opportunities and challenges associated with the establishment of the school.

Jan. 23, 2014

Ministry of Advanced Education

MEDIA ADVISORY

RICHMOND – Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk will make an important announcement around the next steps in the planning for a public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Event Date: Friday, Jan. 24, 2014

Time: 10 a.m.

Location:

XXX

Special Instructions:

Media contact:

Rodney Porter
Communications Director
Ministry of Advanced Education

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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
[release number]
Jan. 24, 2013

Ministry of Advanced Education

Kwantlen to host TCM School

VICTORIA – Advanced Education Minister Amrik Virk today announced that Kwantlen Polytechnic University will host the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM).

"Government is making solid progress on its commitment to establish the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine," Virk said. "At the end of the day, our focus is on giving British Columbians more choice and greater options in health care."

With the appointment of a parliamentary secretary for traditional Chinese medicine in December 2013, and now the selection of the host post-secondary institution, the next step will be the creation, later this year, of a program advisory committee.

"Selecting Kwantlen Polytechnic University as the public post-secondary institution that will host the school is a very important step towards establishing a public school of traditional Chinese medicine," said TCM Parliamentary Secretary Richard T. Lee.

Currently, there are no Traditional Chinese Medicine schools in the public post-secondary system. Having the school in the public sector will complement the six private schools already operating within the province that are accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency and recognized by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine of British Columbia.

"Traditional Chinese Medicine is increasingly popular," said Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism Teresa Wat. "We are making progress in the implementation of a public Traditional Chinese Medicine school."

The TCM school combined with potential international partnerships will benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, complementary, health care education.

"This is a unique opportunity," said Kwantlen Polytechnic University president Alan Davis. "We are excited to start working with the province to make the school a reality."

The commitment to create an environment for a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine at a British Columbian publicly funded, post-secondary institution was included in the February 2013 speech from the throne and is a government platform commitment.

Media contact:

Rodney Porter

Communications Director
Ministry of Advanced Education

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SPEAKING POINTS FOR

AMRIK VIRK

MINISTER OF ADVANCED EDUCATION

**SCHOOL OF TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE:
ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOST INSTITUTIONS**

Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Friday, Jan. 24, 2014 at 10 a.m.

Please check against delivery

Event Profile: Announce the name of the post-secondary institution that will host the public school of Traditional Chinese Medicine: Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

Audience: Audience will include representatives from the six private accredited institutions, UBC Faculty of Medicine, College of TCM Practitioners and Acupuncturists of BC and Kwantlen Polytechnic University representatives.

What does the audience want to hear: Audience expect to hear the name of the public institution and what next steps will involve.

Key Messages:

- Government is making good progress on its commitment to establish the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Progress to date includes: appointing a Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine and selecting Kwantlen Polytechnic University as the host institution for the public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Next steps include establishing a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- At the end of the day, our focus is on what's good for British Columbians and how we can make B.C.'s first School of Traditional Chinese Medicine a reality in a growing area of health care.

One-page speaking note summary

- Acknowledge Parliamentary Secretary Richard T. Lee and Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism Teresa Wat.
- Government is making progress on its commitment to a public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Today's announcement is that the first public school will be hosted by Kwantlen Polytechnic University.
- Details around the development and implementation of the School will be overseen by the host institutions.
- A Program Advisory Committee that will be announced in the coming months will provide input.
- The Committee will include experts on health education, Traditional Chinese Medicine, program delivery along with representatives from the ministry and the host institution.
- The School combined with potential international partnerships will benefit British Columbians.
- The School will expand access to preventative, complementary, health care education while providing global learning opportunities.

INTRODUCTION

- Acknowledge Richard T. Lee, Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Acknowledge Teresa Wat, Minister Responsible for Multiculturalism.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Government is making progress on its commitment to establishing a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in a public post-secondary institution.
- Last summer, a Request for Expressions of Interest went out to 25 public post-secondary institutions.

- Following discussions and review by Ministry, the public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine will be co-hosted by **Kwantlen Polytechnic University**.
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University has experience in health education and has established relationships within China.

NEXT STEPS

- In December, I appointed a Parliamentary Secretary.

- Now, we have selected the post-secondary institution that will host the public school.
- The next step will be creating a Program Advisory Committee.
- The Committee will guide the development and implementation of the School.
- For example, as with all new post-secondary programs, the host institution will need to submit a new program proposal to the Ministry.
- A range of experts on the Committee will provide input.

- The Committee will provide advice to ensure graduating students meet professional standards and are well-prepared to provide British Columbians with high-quality TCM services.
- Program graduates will be eligible for licensure with the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists.

CONCLUSION

- We are making good progress on our commitment to the citizens of British Columbia.

- Selecting the post-secondary institution that will host the first public school of Traditional Chinese Medicine is an exciting milestone.
- The School combined with potential international partnerships will benefit British Columbians.
- The School will expand access to preventative, complementary, health care education and provide global learning opportunities.
- At the end of the day, our focus is on what's good for British Columbians and making the school a reality in a growing area of health care.
- Thank you.

Event Invitation List			
Date	Jan. 2014		
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number not Attending	0		
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Regula Langenegger	registrar@acos.org		Registrar
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Cc: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Question from Health

Sharing with HLTH... Thanks!

Q. But, if the funding comes from their existing operating grant, does that mean that there will be fewer seats for other programs?

- The commitment is for the new school of TCM to be hosted in a publicly funded post-secondary institution in BC.
- There is no new or additional funding available from government.
- In fulfilling their mandates, and in response to the Government's general direction, frameworks and principles, post secondary institutions are responsible for aligning resources with the Government's priorities.
- If an institution determines a need to reallocate targeted funding they are required to consult with Ministry of Advanced Education contacts in advance to ensure programming continues to efficiently meet student and labour market demand and government strategic priorities.
- KPU will be developing programing and budget in the coming months.

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Subject: FW: Question from Health

See suggested messaging below.

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2014 3:43 PM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX; MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: Question from Health

For Monday....

Question from Health below. They are trying to wrap the funding concept around their heads. I have drafted an answer but would love your input. Ministry thanks.

Q. But, if the funding comes from their existing operating grant, does that mean that there will be fewer seats for other programs?

- The commitment is for the new school of TCM to be hosted in a publicly funded post-secondary institution in BC.
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~~- Post-Secondary institutions are responsible for allocating about 90% of their operating grants to ensure they deliver relevant programs that meet community need.~~

~~- KPU Has previously shown initiative by rolling out new programs with out additional funds from government such as their brewing diploma.~~

- KPU will be developing programing and budget in the coming months.

Rodney Porter

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CORE MESSAGING

Updated: January 2014

Ministry of Advanced Education

School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)

- A School of Traditional Chinese Medicine with potential international partnerships will benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, complementary health care education.
- We are making good progress on our commitment to establish the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine, including:
 - Appointing MLA Richard T. Lee as Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine.
 - Selecting a public post-secondary institution – Kwantlen Polytechnic University – to host the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Next steps include:
 - Establishing a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
 - Receiving a report by May 31, 2014 from the Parliamentary Secretary on opportunities and challenges associated with the establishment of the school.

Facts about TCM

- TCM is a designated health profession under the Health Professions Act and is regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of B.C.
- To practice TCM and acupuncture in B.C., individuals must have a valid registration (professional licence) issued by the regulatory College.
- Six private institutions are currently recognized by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of B.C. These six are also accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency (PCTIA).

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Subject: RE: For review: Jan. 24 draft invite
Attachments: Guest List_TCM Host_Jan 16.xlsx

Hi Rodney,

Here is a revised guest list with the updated list of CTCMA Board Members added.

Paul Chang-Jen Chen and BC Lee have two email addresses each & have requested that the invite be sent to both addresses.

Cheers,

Katherine Stewart
Research Officer
Research Universities, International Education and Health Programs Branch
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And here's the attachment.

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Here's HLTH's comment on who to invite:

I just talked to Mary Watterson. She doesn't feel CTCMA board/registrar should be invited and I would agree. But if AVED wants to invite them anyway, AVED needs an updated list of board members. There are two new members elected last month. Mary has been trying to send Lori a contact list but is having technical problem. I can't think of anyone to add, but Mary and I agree that John Blazeovic should not be invited as he no longer has a connection to the CTCMA board.

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2014 12:03 PM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX; Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Subject: RE: For review: Jan. 24 draft invite

Hi Rodney,

See attached revised guest list. I have followed up again with Mary at the CTCMA but have not heard back with regard to Board member contact information. Perhaps another option would be to send the Board member invites c/o the CTCMA registrar?

Lori

From: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2014 12:01 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX; Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: Cook, Jeannette AVED:EX
Subject: FW: For review: Jan. 24 draft invite

Here's a draft invite for Friday. Let me know if you've got concerns with wording.

We will send once we get a more complete guestlist.

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Minister of Advanced Education

The Honourable Teresa Wat
**Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for the Asia Pacific
Strategy and Multiculturalism**

and

MLA Richard T. Lee
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Rodney Porter | Communications Director
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B.C. Ministry of Advanced Education

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From: Nelson, Tiffany GCPE:EX
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2014 11:25 AM
To: Porter, Rodney GCPE:EX
Subject: For review: Jan. 24 draft invite

Hi Rodney,

Can you please give this draft invite a look and let me know of any changes to the event description?

We're still awaiting your MO's confirmation of Minister Wat's participation. Marlyn is also sending guest list additions and final details for the itinerary.

I'll have updated materials to you once available.

Thanks,

Tiffany Nelson | Events Coordinator
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MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Ramon Rodrigo [rrodrigo@langara.bc.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2014 9:55 AM
To: Loughran, Tony D AVED:EX
Cc: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX; Achadinha, Margaret AVED:EX; Ian Humphreys
Subject: Traditional Chinese Medicine
Attachments: Letter to AVED re TCM.pdf

Dear Tony,

On behalf of Dr. Humphreys, I am sending herewith a scanned copy of his letter regarding the TCM project, as per his discussion with Lori MacKenzie.

The original letter will be sent by post.

Sincerely,

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January 20, 2014

Mr. Tony Loughran
Executive Director
Research Universities, International Education and Health Programs
Ministry of Advanced Education
PO Box 9894
Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9T6


Dear Mr. Loughran,

Further to my recent discussion with Ms. MacKenzie and after careful consideration by members of our Executive Team, please be advised that Langara College has decided to withdraw its Expression of Interest originally presented in response to the Ministry's request regarding Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Although we maintain a strong interest in possibly developing a program in Traditional Chinese Medicine in the future, we do not think that current circumstances meet our capacity to deliver a program that meets the Ministry's needs, as described.

We wish your team every success in moving the project to a successful conclusion.

Sincerely,



Ian Humphreys, PhD
Vice-President, Enrolment and Business Development

cc: Ms. Lori MacKenzie, Director, Post-Secondary Programs 1, Ministry of Advanced Education

Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX

From: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:15 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Updates to TCM Background Summary Document

Also, I'll leave it to you to take out the yellow highlights when you get a chance to review all of the updates.

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:09 PM
To: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX
Subject: RE: Updates to TCM Background Summary Document

See my edits below.

From: Marczyk, Connie L AVED:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 1:42 PM
To: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX
Cc: Stewart, Katherine AVED:EX
Subject: Updates to TCM Background Summary Document

Hi – I made some updates to the TCM background doc under Section 2, Section 3 and Section 11 – I've highlighted the new information in yellow so you can see it easily. – I've renamed this Version 2...

One thing that is a bit of a contradiction with #3.a.iii regarding what has to be submitted to the Ministry [The Program Advisory Committee for the School of TCM will be responsible for developing a full program proposal to be provided to the Ministry of Advanced Education for approval (as required by all new health programs in the public post-secondary system)], is the statement in 14.d below.

Section 14

- d. British Columbia universities are not required to submit program proposals to AVED in order to establish a diploma program. Therefore, a university could establish a TCM program whether or not they have responded to AVED's EOI request. Further, a university could establish TCM programs, even if AVED does not announce that university as the institution to house the new School of TCM. However, universities are asked to consult with AVED when considering new health programs for the purpose of health human resource planning and system coordination.

Any suggestions?

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Subject: FW: Jan. 24, 2014: B.C. Government Invitation
Attachments: Invitation_AVED_Jan24.pdf

It's official – the invites for Friday's event have now gone out. Thanks for all your help with getting the project to this critical stage!!

From: Nelson, Tiffany GCPE:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 3:40 PM
Subject: Jan. 24, 2014: B.C. Government Invitation

Hello,

Please find enclosed an invitation to an event Jan. 24, 2014, with the Honourable Amrik Virk, Minister of Advanced Education; the Honourable Teresa Wat, Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for the Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism; and Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine, MLA Richard T. Lee.

We hope to see you there, and look forward to your RSVP.

Thank you,

Tiffany Nelson | Events Coordinator
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January 23, 2014

Dr. Alan R. Davis
President and Vice-Chancellor
Kwantlen Polytechnic University
12666 - 72nd Avenue
Surrey BC V3W 2M8

Dear Dr. Davis:

I am writing to formally convey my appreciation for your institution's submission to the Ministry of Advanced Education's (AVED) request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) in establishing a School of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) within the public post-secondary education system.

Thank you very much for providing a well-developed response. Further to the informal approval conveyed to you by ministry staff in December 2013, I am pleased to confirm KPU as the host institution for the School of TCM.

KPU is well positioned to house the School of TCM. As indicated in your response to the request for EOI, KPU's existing range of programs allows the School to leverage strengths and encourage collaboration in the areas of agriculture, business and health care education. KPU's international connections will provide opportunities for cross-cultural learning, giving students a unique perspective on health promotion in a global context.

I have full confidence in KPU's ability to host British Columbia's first School of TCM at a public post-secondary institution. The School will undoubtedly benefit British Columbians and help position the province as a leader in TCM in Canada.

On December 20, 2013, government appointed MLA Richard Lee as Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine. In this role, Mr. Lee will serve as a special advisor to the program advisory committee for the School, support international partnerships and act as a community liaison. In this capacity, Parliamentary Secretary Lee will be working with you on the development and implementation of the School.

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Tony Loughran, Executive Director, Research Universities, International Education and Health Programs Branch will be contacting you in the near future with additional information about the Ministry's expectations as you move forward with establishing the School of TCM.

Thank you again and congratulations on your important role in this exciting project.

Sincerely,



Amrik Virk
Minister

pc: Mr. Richard Lee, MLA
Parliamentary Secretary, Traditional Chinese Medicine

Ms. Sandra Carroll, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Advanced Education

Dr. Salvador Ferreras
Provost and Vice-President, Academic
Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Dr. Tru Freeman, Dean
Community and Health Studies
Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Mr. Tony Loughran, Executive Director
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Mr. Rodney Porter, Communications Director
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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Traditional Chinese Medicine
January 2014

Key Messages:

- Government is making solid progress on its commitment to establish the province's first public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
- Progress to date includes:
 - Appointing Richard T. Lee as Parliamentary Secretary for TCM.
 - Selecting a public post-secondary institution –Kwantlen Polytechnic University – to host the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine
- Next steps include:
 - Establishing a Program Advisory Committee to guide the development and implementation of the School of Traditional Chinese Medicine.
 - Receiving a report by May 31, 2014 from the Parliamentary Secretary on opportunities and challenges with the establishment of the school.
- At the end of the day, our focus is on what's good for British Columbians and how we can make B.C.'s first School of Traditional Chinese Medicine a reality in a growing area of health care.

1. Why does B.C. need a public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine?

- Currently, there are no Traditional Chinese Medicine schools in the public post-secondary system.
- Having the school in the public sector will complement the six private accredited schools already operating within the province.
- The proposed school combined with potential international partnerships will benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic, health care education and by providing global learning opportunities.

2. What progress has the government made on its throne speech commitment?

- We have begun the initial work needed to create the new school and we're working with the post-secondary sector to move this project forward.
- A request for expressions of interest closed on September 13, 2013.
- The request was sent to the presidents of all 25 publicly funded post-secondary institutions in B.C. on August 2, 2013.
- As with all new schools and post-secondary programs, there are a number of steps that need to occur before the new school can open and offer training.

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3. How will the proposed school be funded? Will public money be used?

- There is no additional funding available from government for the School.
- Once the programming and other elements of the School are identified and costs better understood, the host institution will determine how the School will be funded.

4. How does the medical establishment regard TCM?

- As with many complementary health services, there are varying opinions from within the medical establishment regarding the effectiveness of TCM.
- According to a statement provided to the media from Dr. Gavin Stuart UBC Dean of the Faculty of Medicine: "In most Western medical views, TCM is considered complementary to medical practices and approaches in the West. With its holistic emphasis on lifestyle, moderation and prevention, it fits appropriately with modern approaches to overall health put forward by doctors and other healthcare practitioners. TCM is practiced and valued by many British Columbians and can usefully complement Western medical treatment for a variety of conditions."

5. Is Traditional Chinese Medicine credible?

- Traditional Chinese Medicine is increasingly popular among British Columbians. There are already six private TCM schools that are accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency and recognized by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists of British Columbia.
- Traditional Chinese Medicine is a designated health profession under the Health Professions Act (since 1999) and is regulated by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia.
- The College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of British Columbia issues licences to practice in the following categories: Registered Acupuncturist (R.Ac), Registered TCM Herbalist (R. TCM.H), Registered TCM Practitioner (R. TCM. P) and Doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (Dr.TCM).
- The School, combined with potential international partnerships, will benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, complementary, health care education and by providing global learning opportunities.
- The report to be undertaken by the Parliamentary Secretary will look at the challenges and opportunities associated with the establishment of a public school of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

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- 6. Is there a labour market demand for traditional Chinese medicine and acupuncture?**
- Traditional Chinese medicine has come a long way in mainstream culture, especially in the last decade, increasing in popularity.
 - The labour market analysis for the lower mainland shows an excess supply with a balanced demand in all other regions.
- 7. Why did you appoint a Parliamentary Secretary?**
- We are progressing on our commitment to establish B.C.'s first-ever public school of Traditional Chinese Medicine and it is important that we get it right.
- 8. What will the Parliamentary Secretary actually do and will they reach out to British Columbians outside of the Chinese community?**
- Parliamentary Secretary responsibilities include:
 - Providing a report to the Minister of Advanced Education by May 31, 2014 outlining the potential opportunities and challenges associated with the School.
 - Acting as a special advisor to the Program Advisory Committee and being as a liaison to the broader community.
 - Support international partnership opportunities to expand and enhance opportunities for the School of TCM.
- 9. Will the report from the parliamentary secretary be publicly available?**
- The Minister will receive the report by May 31, 2014 and review it prior to any decision on whether to release it.
- 10. Who will be on the program advisory committee?**
- Specific members have not yet been identified.
 - Program advisory committee members for health education programs are typically subject matter experts in health care delivery, health education, finance, clinical education, the regulatory framework for the profession, etc.

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11. What will be the role of the committee?

- The committee will guide the development and implementation of the school of traditional Chinese medicine.
 - For example, as with all new post-secondary health programs, the host institution will be required to submit a new program proposal for each program to be established at the new school to the Ministry for approval. The approval process includes a review of whether the appropriate regulatory and licencing bodies for students who complete the program have been consulted and that the program meets their respective criteria. The experts on the program advisory committee will be reviewing the program(s) and providing advice to ensure graduating students meet profession standards and are well-prepared to provide British Columbians with high quality TCM services.
 - The committee will inform stakeholder consultation that may occur during the period preceding the establishment of the School.
 - To ensure alignment with the healthcare needs of British Columbians, with the professional regulatory framework for TCM in British Columbia and Canada; and with British Columbia labour market needs.

12. Will members of the advisory committee be paid for their work?

- No. Participation on the Committee is viewed as service to the public and/or a professional opportunity.

13. Which public post-secondary institution will house the proposed school?

- The request for expressions of interest closed on September 13, 2013.
- The public School of Traditional Chinese Medicine will be hosted by Kwantlen Polytechnic University.

14. How many public post-secondary institutions applied?

- More than one public post-secondary institution responded with a submissions of interest (Langara and Kwantlen).

15. Why did you not go with two institutions?

- The Ministry had discussions with the institutions.
- One of the interested institutions withdrew their submission.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

16. What criteria was described in the request for Expressions of Interest?

- Criteria outlined in the expression of interest request included:
 - How the TCM School is aligned with the mandate and expertise of the institution.
 - Capacity of the institution to establish a School of TCM (in terms of physical space, financial resources, faculty, etc).
 - How this program would help address the needs of the institution's local community.
 - Consultation to be undertaken with stakeholders.
 - Potential partnerships.

17. Aren't there already private schools teaching Traditional Chinese Medicine in British Columbia? Why do we need one at a public post-secondary institution?

- Traditional Chinese medicine is a relatively new profession in British Columbia and is becoming more widely accepted as an alternative or complementary to western medicine.
- Currently there are six private institutions in B.C. offering diploma programs in Traditional Chinese Medicine. These programs are recognized by the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncturists of B.C.
- These private institutions are also accredited by the Private Career Training Institutions Agency (PCTIA).
- A school at a publicly funded institution will complement the private schools currently operating throughout the province and offer students an additional choice.

18. Once the public post-secondary institution is chosen to house the proposed school, how long will it take to get the school up and running?

- We have begun the initial work needed to create the new school and we're working with post-secondary and health partners to move this project forward.
- As with all new schools and post-secondary programs, there are a number of steps that need to occur before any new school can open and offer training.
- One of the first steps will be to establish an advisory committee to help guide and implement this work.
- Establishing a new school at a public post-secondary institution is a complex and multi-phased process that may require several years before the school is fully operational and accepting students.

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19. Will TCM services be covered by MSP as a result of the School of TCM?

- There is no plan at this time to expand coverage for TCM or other supplementary services.
- However, the province currently offers it as a supplementary benefit for low income British Columbians. The Ministry of Health pays \$23 per visit for licensed acupuncture services for up to 10 visits a year for premium assistance patients.

20. Will private TCM schools be able to partner with the new public school?

- The commitment is to establish the first public School of TCM in B.C.
- Details around the development and implementation will be overseen by the host institutions with input from Program Advisory Committee.

21. Is the School of TCM just for the Chinese community's benefit?

- The area of TCM is growing in popularity in British Columbia, across Canada and throughout the world. Clients and practitioners come from a range of ethnicities.

22. Given the legal challenge in Ontario over a requirement for TCM practitioners to do their licensing exams in only French or English, are TCM practitioners in B.C. required to write licensing exams in English?

- The College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of BC does not currently have an English language proficiency requirement for registration. It offers written exams in English or Chinese and clinical exams in English or Mandarin.

23. If the funding comes from KPU's existing operating grant, does that mean that there will be fewer seats for other programs?

- The commitment is for the new school of TCM to be hosted in a publicly funded post-secondary institution in BC.
- There is no new or additional funding available from government.
- In fulfilling their mandates, and in response to the Government's general direction, frameworks and principles, post-secondary institutions are responsible for aligning resources with the Government's priorities.
- If an institution determines a need to reallocate targeted funding they are required to consult with Ministry of Advanced Education contacts in advance to ensure programming continues to efficiently meet student and labour market demand and government strategic priorities.
- KPU will be developing programming and budget in the coming months.

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Q. How can you condone a practice that endorses the use of shark fin soup – an endangered species?

- Shark fin soup is not on the list of the college's scheduled items nor is it part of TCM.

MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX

From: Tru Freeman [Tru.Freeman@kpu.ca]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2014 2:56 PM
To: Davinder Cheema
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Subject: Initial meeting with Parliamentary Secretary for TCM

Friday, January 24, 2014
Hi Davinder,

Could you please set up an initial one hour meeting in the next week or two with the following people:

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3. Jean and me

This could be in person or via teleconference. Jean and I would be happy to go to Mr. Lee's office in Burnaby if that's helpful. This would be to have an initial conversation to determine immediate next steps for TCM.

Thanks, Tru



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Cc: Jean Nicolson-Church
Subject: TCM questions

Friday, January 24, 2014
Hi Lori and Tony,

First, Tony, my sincere thanks for coming to the announcement of the TCM program; it meant a lot to have you there. We have just sent out an invite to get you (or both of you) for a teleconference with Richard Lee in the next couple of weeks. At that meeting, I was hoping to have a DRAFT of potential Program Advisory Committee members; I think it will be more helpful if we can steer the process in a way that will work for all involved. We are hoping with pre-planning, things might continue to move along. Jean and I will sit on the committee as representatives of KPU. We are also in the process of drafting out a timeline for getting this completed. There are certain process in KPU that we must do, so that will dictate some of the timing.

1. **Program Advisory Committee:** would like to keep the Program Advisory Committee (PAC) to approximately 10 people (give or take). Much more than that, I think it will get too cumbersome. This is going to be a tricky committee to get right; the people that the TCM community will support; those with a credible background to offer advise etc..Do you have any thoughts about anyone that you definitely should sit on the committee? Anyone from MoH?
2. **Curriculum Expert:** Do either of you know someone that has TCM curriculum expertise? We will need someone with subject matter expertise who can also speak good English to help us develop the programming. We have connections to Beijing University of Chinese Medicine and Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT)... so that's good as well. However, I think having a "local consultant" will be important. We were thinking there may be a SME at one of the current private TCM organizations, but that could be a bit tricky.

If you have any information you want to provide by next Friday (31st), that would be helpful.

Thanks, Tru



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Subject: RE: Initial meeting with Parlimentary Secretary for TCM

Hello Margaret and Lori,

Mr. Lee has confirmed his availability for a meeting on February 5th between 1330 and 1600 hours. Perhaps the meeting with Tony, Lori, Tru and Jean can take place on Friday January 31 between 1300 and 1600 hours (via teleconference).

Does this work?

Regards,
Davinder



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Excellent. Please work with Margaret as she manages Tony's calendar.

Have a great weekend!

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Hi Lori,

Absolutely. I think we're looking at the first week of February to see if we can get Mr. Lee. So I will ask Davinder to book something a day or two in advance of that for just the four of us, without Mr. Lee.

thanks, Tru

From: MacKenzie, Lori AVED:EX [Lori.MacKenzie@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: January-24-14 15:55
To: Tru Freeman
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Hi Tru,

I'm thinking it would be good to meet just AVED and KPU a day or two in advance of meeting with Mr. Lee. Would that work with your timing?

Lori

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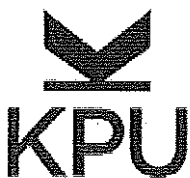
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