

Arthritis Consumer Experts — 2020 Election Questions

Thank you for your correspondence on how we can improve the level of arthritis prevention, treatment and care in B.C.

The BC Liberals are proud to put an exciting platform in front of British Columbians — a plan to improve access to health care for all patients. A BC Liberal government will:

- Increase online booking of medical appointments, to reduce wait-times and improve convenience for patients.
- Improve public reporting of wait-times, and reduce wait-times for surgical procedures, by accelerating the implementation of electronic surgical-waitlist management tools.
- Accelerate the adoption of virtual medical consultations with doctors and nurse practitioners, to reduce COVID-19 backlogs and reduce wait-times for referrals.
- Work with doctors and pharmacies to expand online prescription-renewals, with optional home delivery.
- Improve patient care by establishing more Primary Care Networks and Community Health Centres.
- Establish an emergency Pandemic Response Committee to work with all parties and the Provincial Health Officer on a collaborative approach to managing the current and future pandemics.
- Continue to work with all parties and Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry in a collaborative manner, to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and not each other, in the best interests of all British Columbians.

For further details on our plans, please see our platform.