

UPDATING YOUR CAPACITY IN THE PROVINCIAL ATTACHMENT SYSTEM (PAS)



- In the Provincial Attachment System, family physicians and nurse practitioners can indicate if they are accepting new patients for their panel at a given clinic
- Updating capacity supports the attachment of patients to primary care services more quickly while supporting providers to create a balanced patient panel through the PAS
- The capacity management features in the PAS can help the Ministry of Health and their healthcare partners gain a better understanding of primary care capacity and needs throughout B.C.

WHO UTILIZES PAS CAPACITY INFORMATION

FAMILY PHYSICIANS AND NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Family physicians and nurse practitioners can update their capacity information directly in the PAS Panel Registry. Medical Office Assistants (MOAs) and unlicensed Clinic Managers can make changes on behalf of providers who have delegated them access to their panel

ATTACHMENT COORDINATORS

Attachment Coordinators are responsible for coordinating attachment of patients to family physicians and nurse practitioners. They match providers who have advised they are accepting patients in the PAS Panel Registry with patients who are seeking attachment from the PAS Health Connect Registry.

CAPACITY PLANNING

Utilization of the capacity information data allows the BC Ministry of Health to understand system capacity, matching patient demand to provider capacity and enabling accurate long-term healthcare planning. This data will help create targeted plans to address capacity gaps

HOW TO UPDATE AND MANAGE PANEL CAPACITY IN PAS

1. NAVIGATE TO THE TO PAS HOME PAGE
2. CLICK ON MY PANEL
3. ENTER MONTHLY CAPACITY RATE AND DESIRED PANEL SIZE
4. CLICK SAVE

MORE DETAILS: MONTHLY CAPACITY RATE, DESIRED PANEL SIZE, CURRENT AND FUTURE CAPACITY FIELDS

- **Monthly capacity** rate is the number of new attachments that can be accepted each month.
- **Desired panel size** is the total number of patients a provider would like on their panel before they no longer accept new patients.
- **Current capacity** indicates the remaining amount of attachments that can be accepted by the provider for that calendar month. This number is automatically reduced as patients are added to that panel via submission of the 98990 attachment code and then reset at the beginning of each month.
- **Future capacity** is a long-term number that indicates the total remaining number of attachments a provider could accept before they are no longer accepting new patients. This number is automatically reduced as patients are added to that panel.