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Reid Johnson re-elected president of HSA

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Delegates to the 40th annual convention of the Health Sciences Association of BC have returned Reid Johnson as president of the 17,000-strong union of health science professionals working in hospitals and communities throughout BC.

Johnson has been President of the Health Sciences Association of BC since April 2007. The union represents more than 17,000 health science professionals in the public health care and community social services sectors in British Columbia.

Johnson earned his Masters of Social Work at UBC and holds a post-masters certificate in family therapy. He has worked in psychiatry, spinal cord and vocational rehabilitation, and in family therapy.

As the unions president, Johnson represents HSA at provincial bargaining. Johnson currently serves on the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundations 2020 Task Force, chairing the task force committee on human resources. He also serves on the boards of Working Enterprises, Shareholder Association for Research and Education, the Technology Education and Careers Council, and Camp Jubilee. He also chairs HSAs Long Term Disability trusts.

He joined HSA in 1988 and has been a full-time member of the union since 1990. He joined the Board of Directors in 1997, and previously served as the unions secretary-treasurer, overseeing HSA finances and helping to develop HSAs annual budgets.

The other candidates for president were Norm Smith, a radiology department manager at Wrinch Memorial Hospital in Hazelton, and Kevin Towhey, an x-ray technologist at Royal Inland Hospital in Kelowna.

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