

Edith MacHattie



I am an occupational therapist and I am thrilled to be running for HSA director. I have the skills, dedication, enthusiasm and energy to represent and advocate for your interests and needs. Working in both acute care and the community, I feel I am an excellent candidate to represent everyone's interests at the HSA board.

My first job was at Surrey Memorial Hospital, where I learned and grew as a clinician by working in numerous teams, including ortho/surgery, inpatient mental health, and outpatient clinics. I then moved into community health at The Centre for Child Development. I have gained extensive experience working in multidisciplinary teams, and I know that bringing many voices to the table is essential for the best care. My collaborative approach to leadership will make me an effective director.

I became involved with HSA because I saw how union work embodied my values of taking care of each other and fighting for justice. I started as a steward, soon becoming chief steward. I attended regular labour management meetings and supported workers through grievances and arbitration. I was elected to the bargaining committee for the 2012-2014 and 2014-2019 HSPBA contract negotiations. I am also a Constituency Liaison—educating my MLA about the incredible HSA members and ways that government can better utilize the HSA team to improve our public healthcare system.

I am proud to be the HSA representative to the BC Health Coalition board, and since 2014 I have been the elected co-chair. As a spokesperson, I attend meetings with government, do regular media work, and connect with advocates from local communities and national organizations to promote and improve public healthcare.

I will work tirelessly to make your voices heard at the HSA board and would love the opportunity to represent you.

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