

BC SUPPORT Unit

Northern Centre



What's Patient-Oriented Research?

Research that is done in partnership with patients, answers research questions that matter to patients, and aims to improve health care.

About the BC SUPPORT Unit Northern Centre

The Northern Centre is one of four regional centres of the BC SUPPORT Unit. It's the go-to resource for patient-oriented research within the geographic area served by Northern Health. The Centre serves the communities of Northern British Columbia from Quesnel north to the Yukon border, and Haida Gwaii east to the Alberta border.

The Northern Centre operates as a partnership between Northern Health and the University of Northern British Columbia through the Innovation and Development Commons.

Who's a patient?

Anyone who has experience of the health care system and/or personal experience of a health issue, and informal caregivers, including family and friends.

About the BC SUPPORT Unit



The BC SUPPORT (Support for People and Patient-Oriented Research and Trials) Unit is a multi-partner organization created to support, streamline and increase patient-oriented research throughout British Columbia.

It's one of 10 SUPPORT Units established across Canada as part of the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR), a national initiative led by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).

A provincial hub, located in Vancouver, coordinates activities across BC.

The Unit has two main roles:

- Providing services to patients, researchers, health care providers and health system decision makers
- Facilitating initiatives identified as provincial priorities

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