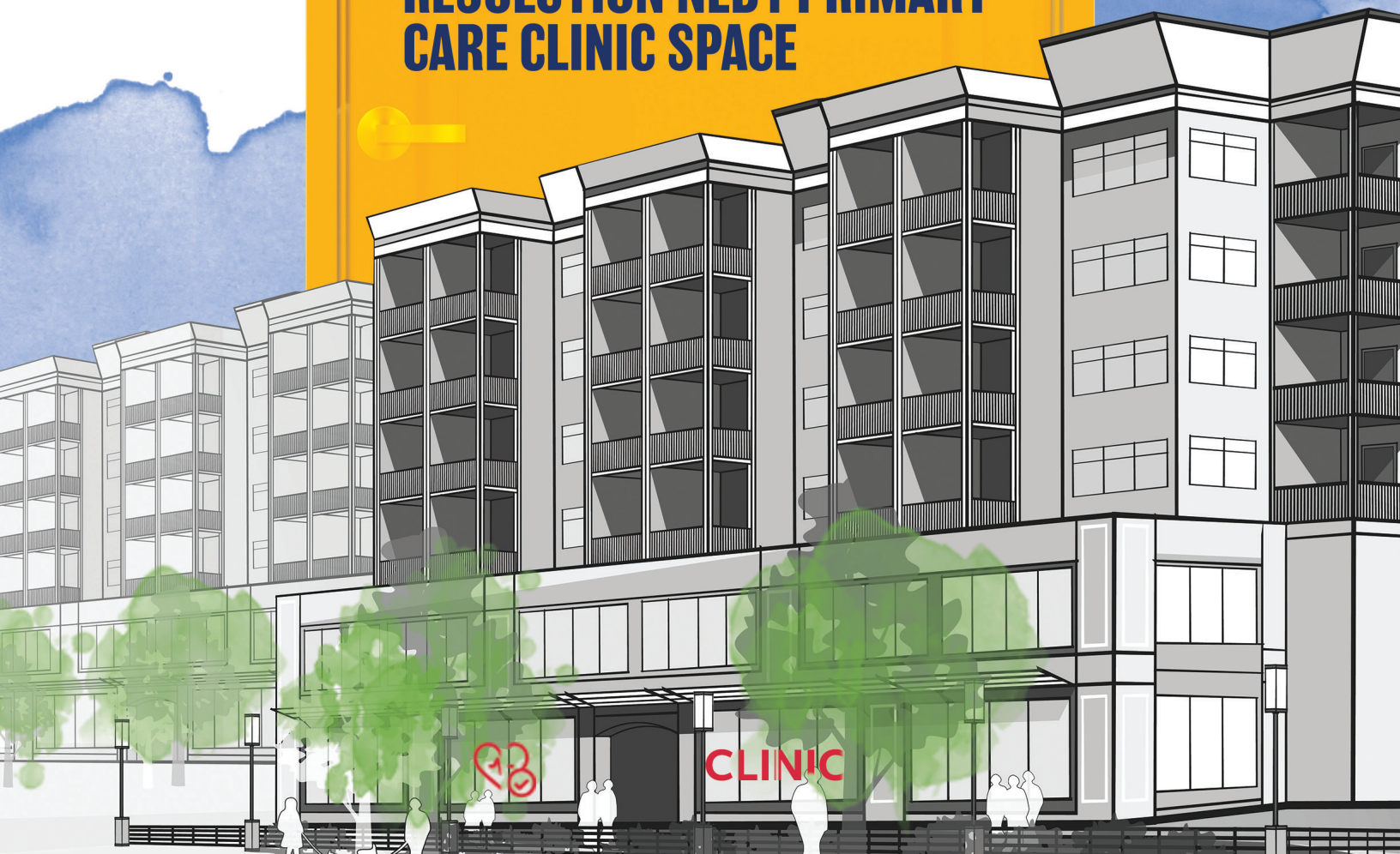


# LET'S OPEN THE DOORS TO PRIMARY CARE

RESOLUTION NEB1 PRIMARY  
CARE CLINIC SPACE



Resolution to UBCM on Primary Care  
Clinic Space incorporating healthcare  
infrastructure into community growth.

**BC FAMILY**  
DOCTORS



# With your leadership, doctors can open doors faster, at a lower cost.

## HELP BRITISH COLUMBIANS GAIN TIMELY ACCESS TO CARE.

### CALL TO ACTION:

We urge you to support this resolution at UBCM. Your endorsement will strengthen provincial partnerships and help bring primary care closer to home.

**You shape communities through land use and development approvals.**

**You can ensure new developments include clinic-ready space – just as you already do for parks, childcare, and other community priorities.**

### WHY THIS MATTERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Over 700,000 British Columbians don't have a family doctor. While the Province's new payment model has added 1,000 doctors to our communities, many can't find a place to practice.

Family doctors are small business owners. They are responsible for covering clinician and staff salaries, medical supplies, and the cost of renting, leasing, or purchasing clinic space and modifying it to meet their needs. They struggle to find suitable spaces to set up practice in our communities. Standard commercial units rarely meet medical requirements, and building out exam rooms and ventilation systems often costs hundreds of thousands of dollars. These costs jeopardize physician recruitment and limit their ability to expand into team-based care.

## RESOLUTION NEB1 PRIMARY CARE CLINIC SPACE

**WHEREAS** over 700,000 British Columbians lack a family doctor, and the provincial population is growing at 1.7% annually while newly arrived and existing family doctors face prohibitive costs and scarcity of properly configured spaces for community clinics; and

**WHEREAS** newly mandated growth from the province would better serve our communities holistically by incorporating healthcare needs of new and existing residents;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Province work with local governments, provincial and local Divisions of Family Practice, and developers to encourage or require consideration of community health clinic spaces in new development, including but not limited to, providing provincial health infrastructure funding/subsidies, provincially leased spaces, and connections between physicians and healthcare workers to understand and address community needs within new spaces,

**AND THAT** the Province explicitly includes funding for community health spaces in eligible Amenity Cost Charges benefits.

## HELP EMBED PRIMARY CARE CLINIC SPACE IN COMMUNITIES. SUPPORT RESOLUTION NEB1 PRIMARY CARE CLINIC SPACE.

### Ways the Province Can Help

- Partner with municipalities, family doctors, and developers to make primary care spaces a priority.
- Provide infrastructure funding – build-out grants, lease subsidies, or provincial leasing.
- Include health space in Amenity Cost Charges.



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As a member-funded organization our work strengthens the broader healthcare system and supports family doctors.

We're building a future where family doctors and patients flourish in an equitable, integrated healthcare system.

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