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Dear Patients of Mid-Main,

You may have heard that Mid-Main Medical Clinic is going through some changes.

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, our Mid-Main doctors will transition to a Fee-for-Service model of funding. This change will not directly affect patients, as all insured services will continue to be fully covered by the province. Vancouver Coastal Health (“VCH”) is redirecting its funding to other sources of care.

Mid-Main is a respected multidisciplinary clinic, and VCH has supported our plan to make the change to this new funding model over the next year. We will retain the services of our clinical pharmacist.

We ask your understanding and support for our team through this time ahead. New family doctors will be joining us. Stay tuned as we expand and grow.

A small walk-in clinic will open this month to serve people that are not currently patients of Mid-Main. Ministry of Health rules won’t allow our walk-in clinic doctors to serve anyone who is already a patient of a Mid-Main doctor. This restriction will apply only during the transition period, approximately to the end of 2015.

A group of patients from Mid-Main have organized an independent advocacy group called the *Patients and Supporters of Mid-Main*. They supported Mid-Main throughout negotiations with VCH, and want to continue to support Mid-Main’s multi-disciplinary team and to advocate for the expansion of Community Health Centres across BC. They can be contacted via their website, [supportmidmain.ca](http://supportmidmain.ca).

Mid-Main has been providing excellent health care to members of our community for the past twenty-five years, and we’re looking forward to continuing that commitment to excellence.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Mid-Main Board of Directors

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