
Pilot Project Overview

Well-being is one of Colwood Council's six strategic pathways. The City is committed to taking action to support the health and prosperity of residents. This involves a multi-faceted approach that includes creating opportunities for social connection, physical activity, recreation, and time in nature, as well as access to health care through a family physician.

The City of Colwood's [Household Prosperity Survey in 2023](#) identified access to healthcare as the top priority for residents in Colwood. To address this, the City of Colwood is embarking on a pilot project to create a new clinic providing family doctors to residents of Colwood.

**We want Colwood to be one of the healthiest communities in North America.
The goal of The Colwood Clinic pilot project is to connect Colwood residents
with a family doctor as soon as possible.**

The Colwood Clinic will be located in an existing clinic space at Pure Integrative Pharmacy in the Royal Bay Commons in Colwood.

Family doctors will be recruited and employed by the City of Colwood, and the clinic space will be leased and managed by the City of Colwood.

Residents of Colwood who do not have a family doctor should add their name to the [Health Connect Registry](#) provided by British Columbia's Health Link BC program. From there, residents who have a Colwood postal code will be matched with a family doctor from the Colwood Medical Clinic.

The clinic is expected to open in 2025. The clinic will open with one doctor and will continue to ramp up to eight physicians by the end of year two. Doctors will be recruited from throughout Canada and the international community. The intention is not to recruit doctors from other family practice clinics in Greater Victoria.

The clinic will first prioritize Colwood residents without a family doctor. When there is further capacity in the clinic, there may be an opportunity for residents with family doctor outside of Colwood to change to one at The Colwood Clinic. The pilot has the capacity to provide family doctors for 10,000 Colwoodians.

Provincial revenues billed by the Clinic through existing Ministry of Health systems will fund clinic operations. The business case for this pilot project shows the clinic being revenue positive within five years. No ongoing local government tax support is projected to be required.
