TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE PARTNER RELATIONS COMMITTEE

1. PURPOSE

(1) The purpose of the Partner Relations Committee (the "Committee") is to assist the Board of Directors (the "Board") in supporting management led external and internal communications responsibilities, as well as supporting Board specific goals and objectives with respect to partner relations.

2. COMPOSITION AND OPERATIONS

- (1) The Committee shall be composed of all directors of the board, with the Board Chair acting as Chair.
- (2) The Committee shall operate in a manner that is consistent with Board Policy 4.1 General Guidelines for Committees.
- (3) Committee meeting frequency shall occur in accordance with Board Policy 4.1 General Guidelines for Committees.

3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- (1) Subject to the powers and duties of the Board, the Board Chair has the responsibility to support:
 - (a) Meetings with the Minister of Health or delegate(s), and/or other Health Authority Chairs, at the request of the Minister;
 - (b) Joint Interior Health Regional Hospital District (RHD) meetings (two times per year);
 - (c) Meetings of the Partnership Accord Leadership Table (PALT);
 - (d) Meetings of the Métis Nation and BC Interior Health Leadership Table (MILT);
 - (e) Meetings of the Interior Region Caucus;
 - (f) Meetings of the Interior Health Health Authority Medical Advisory Committee (HAMAC);
 - (g) Meetings of the Interior Health Research Ethics Board (REB);
 - (h) Meetings of the Indigenous Board Member Network (IBMN);
 - (i) Health Authority community/site tours with the CEO.
- (2) Subject to the powers and duties of the Board, the Committee has the responsibility to support/facilitate:

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- (a) Opportunities for external partners presentation(s) at the Board's public meeting, to provide context and information relevant to the Board's mandate;
 - i) the Committee will invite presentations through the Board Resource officer; or
 - ii) the Board Resource officer will communicate requests from partners to present to the Board to the Committee;
- (b) Representation at public events led by the Authority or the provincial / a municipal government related to Authority business.
- (3) The Committee will review and discuss reports from its members who have attended events on behalf of the Board of Directors.
 - (a) Where Directors become aware of questions or concerns raised by Authority partners, they will bring them to the attention of the Board Chair in a timely manner.

4. ACCOUNTABILITY

The Committee shall report its discussions by maintaining reports of its activities and providing an oral report at the next Board meeting through the Board Chair.

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