Highlights of the September 20, 2012 CCMB Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors of CancerCare Manitoba (CCMB) at its regular meeting on September 20, 2012:

- Received a presentation from Drs. Ryan Zarychanski and Don Houston, clinical researchers at CCMB, explaining how they uncovered the cause of an inherited blood disorder that had been unexplained for 40 years. Their exciting discovery holds promise to better understanding of other blood disorders. The presentation underscored the value of ongoing research at CCMB.
- Met and welcomed Ms. Valerie Wiebe, new Chief Nursing Officer at CCMB.
- Recognized the appointment of Dr. John Doyle as Head of Hematology/Oncology, CancerCare Manitoba and the Section of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, Department of Pediatric and Child Health, effective September 1, 2012.
- Considered and approved the President's recommendations concerning appointments to the medical staff and also took note of his observation that all currently funded positions in the medical staff category have now been filled.
- Reviewed and approved the *Annual Progress Report* (2011/12), which highlights many significant achievements of CCMB over the past year and recognizes ongoing challenges. The report will be presented to the Minister of Health, distributed to partner organizations, and posted online.
- Congratulated Dr. Dhaliwal and all staff for their excellent work, which was instrumental in CCMB being awarded "Accreditation with Exemplary Standing" by Accreditation Canada. This commendation was also extended to those involved in the Manitoba Blood & Marrow Transplant Program, the Histocompatibility Lab, and the Haematology Lab, which were all recently accredited by their respective accreditation agencies.
- Approved the extension of Ms. B. Lillie's term on the Board for an additional three years following the
 expiration of her current term on March 31, 2013 and the appointment of Ms. A.M. Magnifico to the
 Quality and Patient Safety Committee.
- Discussed ongoing challenges in moving forward with the new CCMB building, to which the Province of Manitoba has already committed \$70-million.
- Discussed the report of the Manitoba Ombudsman's Office, which recommended improvements to increase the protection of personal health information and noted that CCMB has accepted all the recommendations.
- Received and considered various reports including: the 2011 Annual Workplace Safety and Health Report, and a Semi-Annual Critical Incident Report.

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