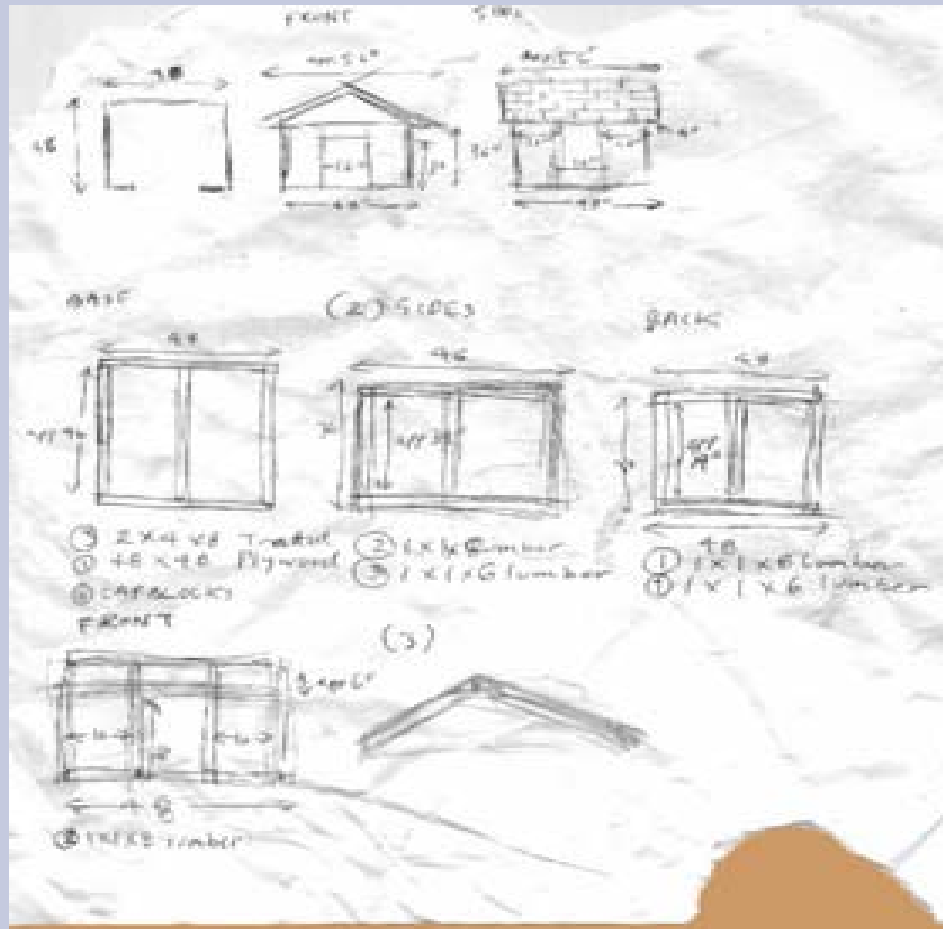


Highlight of PICNet Activities

January to December, 2005

The Design...



You never change things by fighting the existing reality. To change something, build a new model that makes the existing model obsolete.

- Buckminster Fuller

“The Network, whose members will have expertise in infection control and laboratory medicine, will provide advice and strategic intervention on relevant policy, procedures, and issues across the continuum of care including hospitals, residential facilities, and the community for the entire province and all health authorities...”

Ministry of Health, January 2005

Cochrane Report

“...creation of the Network will ensure a province-wide infection control system and address selected recommendations resulting from the Cochrane Report”

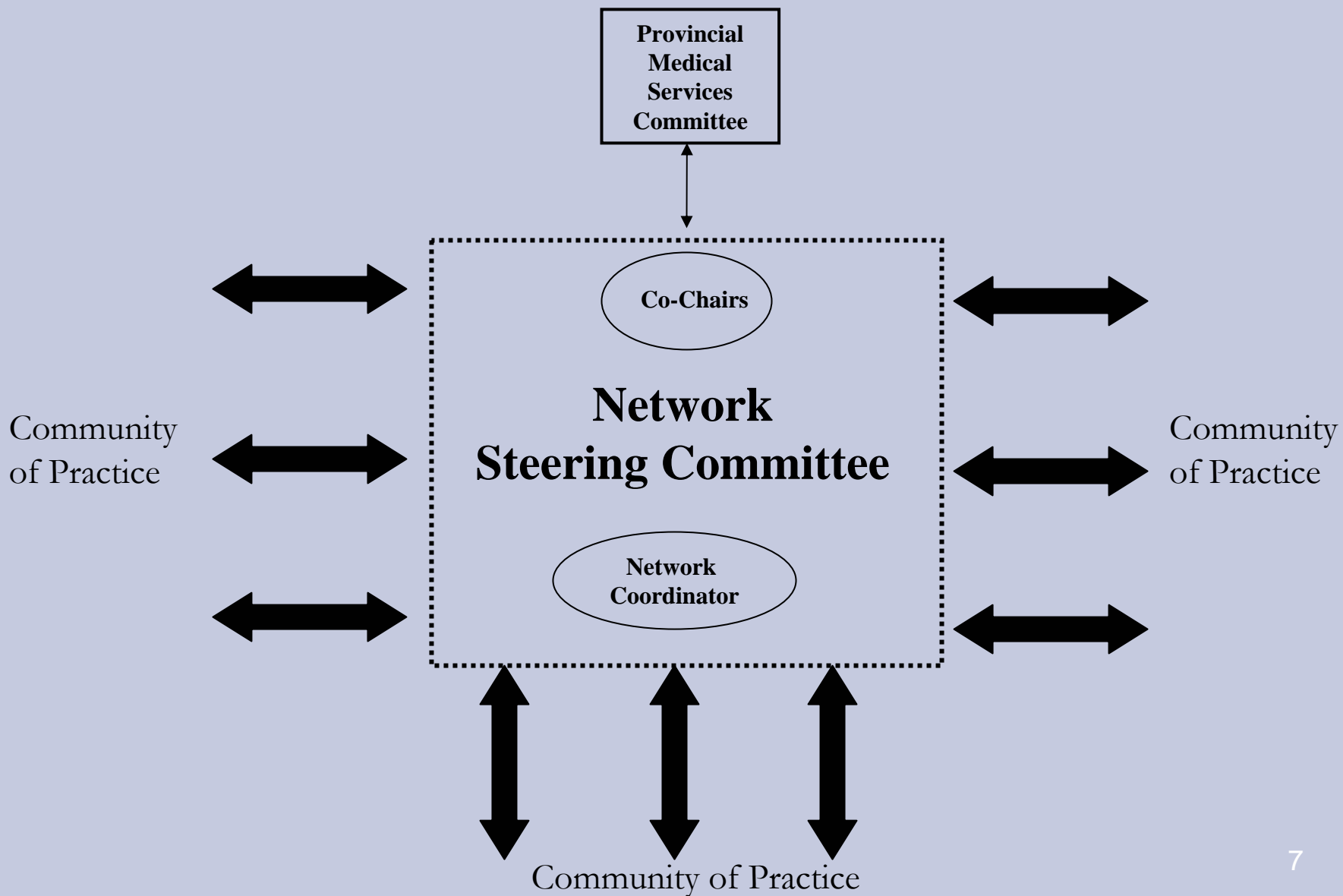
Ministry of Health, January 2005

“The network consists of the entire multidisciplinary team involved in infection prevention, surveillance and control in the province of British Columbia.”

Provincial Infection Control Network, Phase 1 Project Charter, June 2005



Reporting Structure



First Steps

- Co-Chairs appointed
- Steering Committee members invited to participate
- First Steering Committee meeting held
May 26, 2005
- First Stakeholder Summit held
May 27, 2005

Framing...



If you have an apple and I have an apple and we exchange apples then you and I will still each have one apple. But if you have an idea and I have an idea and we exchange these ideas, then each of us will have two ideas.

- George Bernard Shaw

At the First Stakeholder Summit, four underlying themes emerged as critical success factors for PICNet. They are:

- **Effective Communication:** use a common language and give a consistent message
- **Team Approach:** develop multi-disciplinary teams that work on common solutions
- **Empowerment and Respect:** ensure ownership is both top down and bottom up
- **Good Science, Good will:** use a evidence-centered approach

The Build...



Recommendations from First Stakeholder Summit

- perform a needs assessment to identify key priority areas for the Network by identifying gaps in infection prevention and control practices in British Columbia
- formalize the operational design of the network/confirm roles and decision-making processes

Recommendations from First Stakeholder Summit

- advise on urgent/emergent surveillance and infection prevention and control issues
- develop a communications working group that explores and develops appropriate communication mechanisms; and, takes advantage of strategic opportunities for the Network

Recommendations from First Stakeholder Summit

- develop a Glossary of Terms
- hold a second full-day session in approximately 6 months time

Timeframe



**June/July
2005**

- Formation of the Steering Ctee & Working Grps (WG)
- Design and approval of WG plans

Aug/Sept 2005

- Implementation of WG plans

Oct/Nov 2005

- Analysis of information from WGs
- Priority Setting

Dec/Jan 2005/6

- Prepare summary report
- Issue report with recommendations to stakeholders, PMSC, etc

Inspection...





The goal of PICNet is to establish a provincially supported infection control knowledge collaborative among the stake holding regional and provincial health organizations

The role of PICNet is to maximize coordination and integration of activities related to health care associated infection prevention, surveillance and control for the entire province using an evidence-based approach

PICNet aims to foster collaboration in activity areas such as: service delivery, communications, training, education, surveillance, research and the development of best practice guidelines, policies and procedures. PICNet also advocates for appropriate and sustainable resources

What PICNet is not...

- an auditing body for infection prevention, surveillance and control
- replacing existing authorities within the province
- just acute care focused
- just community/public health focused
- just residential/transitional care focused

Project Plan, Phase 1

Subject	Status
NEEDS ASSESSMENT	-Needs Assessment Working Group formed July 2005
OPERATIONAL DESIGN/ROLES/DECISION MAKING PROCESSES	-Infrastructure working group formed July 2005 -Terms of Reference for Steering Committee and Working Groups -Governance and Decision Making addressed by Steering Committee

Subject	Action
URGENT/ EMERGENT	-Urgent/Emergent Working Group formed July 2005
COMMUNICATIONS	-Communications Working Group formed July 2005
DEFINITIONS/ GLOSSARY OF TERMS	-Glossary posted on website – “living document”
NEXT MEETING	-December 14, 2005 Second Stakeholder Summit

Other Activities

Established linkages and built partnerships
to avoid duplication and replication

- Office of the Auditor General
- Other provinces
- Patient Safety Task Force
- Safer Healthcare Now!

PICNet and Safer Healthcare Now!

PICNet has committed to work with the Health Authorities on best indicators to use for monitoring surgical site infections (SSI) within their regions.

PICNet and Safer Healthcare Now!

In January, PICNet will begin by developing a working group which will:

- engage a LEAD for this project
- define priority areas for surveillance within the scope of SSI's
- develop standardized definitions for the priority SSI's under surveillance
- recommend best practices for implementation
- liaise and integrate with other project groups where/when applicable
- provide an options paper for HA's re: data capture, interpretation, analysis & the reporting of findings

And...

Identified gaps & moved to fill those gaps

- forming Ad hoc committee to look at roles and responsibilities relating to the development, issuing and maintenance of guidelines
- formalizing the Ad hoc committee looking at the issue of personal protective equipment (PPE) for healthcare workers for pandemic influenza

To Do

- form linkages with the B.C. Reproductive Care Program
- others?

*If the going is real easy, beware, you
may be headed down hill.*

- unknown

Questions?