

SafeCare BC Opens Satellite Training Centre at Parksville's Arrowsmith Lodge

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We are pleased announce the opening of a SafeCare BC Satellite Training Centre at Parksville's Arrowsmith Lodge. This is just the second such training centre in the province. The partnership agreement with Arrowsmith Lodge will increase access and expand the capacity for health and safety training for continuing care workers on the central and north Island.

"We are very excited to partner with member sites across the province, so more training can be delivered locally," says Saleema Dhalla, acting CEO, SafeCare BC. "Arrowsmith Lodge has shown great leadership in the development of a satellite training centre.

Continuing care workers work in long-term care and home care and community health support and have some of the highest injury rates compared to all occupations in BC. A key part of the strategy to reduce workplace injuries is education and training.

"By becoming a satellite training centre for SafeCare BC, we can empower our staff with the knowledge and most current practices to create a safe environment for everyone," says Deanna Smith, Administrator, Arrowsmith Lodge. "As an employer, it is very rewarding to watch your staff grow and learn. Not only are we creating a better workplace, but we're also able to provide better care for our residents."

SafeCare BC is a non-profit association working to ensure injury free, safe working conditions for the more than 29,000 continuing care workers in BC. Last year, SafeCare BC facilitated training for more than 1,700 workers.

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