## **CST News**

VCH's new Executive Director and Transformation Lead



## Dr. Kellé Payne joins the Clinical & Systems Transformation Team

**Dr. Kellé Payne** is now Vancouver Coastal Health's (VCH) new Executive Director and Transformation Lead for the Clinical & Systems Transformation project. She replaces **Carole Gillam**, who ensured continuity of leadership by temporarily acting in this pivotal role after many years as VCH's Executive Director of Primary Care.

Most recently Kellé served as the Director of Clinical Quality and Patient Safety for the Coastal Community of Care. She has more than 40 years of diverse clinical experience, acquired through bedside nursing care and administrative positions that called for strong leadership and commitment to collaborative change management practices. She is respected for her ability to build relationships, maintain clear communication with stakeholders, and successfully develop standardized policies and procedures for complex organizations.

Prior to joining VCH in 2010, Kellé held numerous roles with organizations such as: Kapi`olani Medical Center at Pali Momi (Oahu, Hawaii), St. Mary's Hospital (New Westminster), Simon Fraser University, and Royal Columbian Hospital.

Please join us in thanking Carole, who is moving to Kuwait for a new adventure, and congratulating Kellé on her new appointment. Kellé will be located at 590 W. 8th Avenue Vancouver and can be reached via kellé.payne@vch.ca or 604 928 4673.

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