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Health Services

The Health Services Committee is working on the long game for Health Services on Thetis Island.

Although due to the current doctor shortage, it does not seem likely that we'll have a professional here soon, we do have monthly meetings with VIHA to keep us in their view.

We are currently waiting for confirmed support from TICF to fund the necessary equipment needed to get Forbes Hall Care Station on the list of virtual care sites. This would mean that the room meets all VIHA conditions for privacy and online services, with back up. An attendant volunteer has agreed to be onsite while the patient is at their appointment. Although islanders can use the set up for their own meetings via tele-health such as their own GP or Telus and the like, the focus is for specialists in Oncology, Neurology, Kidney Care and others. As well, with the provisions provided, patients will be able to administer their own IV Antibiotics (excepting port insert and removal). This will give patients the advantage of not having to line-up and go across every day while they are unwell and needing treatment.

We are continuing to iron out the coordination to have Physiotherapy available for hip & knee surgery recovery on island.

As well, we are pleased to have a Registered Massage Therapist bringing her services to Thetis and will be encouraging islanders to advocate for their own practitioners to bring their services on island.

Health Services will be the contact for VIHA for future Immunization Clinics.