## Community Update

March 3, 2020

## Nelson ophthalmology – outreach clinics start April 2

NELSON - Interior Health is pleased to announce that ophthalmologist Dr. Faye Pesenti and an ophthalmology technician will support outreach ophthalmology clinic services at Kootenay Lake Hospital starting on April 2, 2020.

People who need to access ophthalmology care at Kootenay Lake Hospital can ask their family physician about a referral to Dr. Pesenti.

The two days of clinic services will include ophthalmology assessments and care.

Interior Health is committed to services that meet the needs of patients as close to home as possible, and is investing more than \$100,000 in new equipment to support these outreach clinics and other eye services in Nelson

Your donation to the Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation will help support the purchase of this equipment. For more information, visit their website at <a href="https://www.klhf.org">www.klhf.org</a>. We appreciate the Foundation's ongoing support of services at the Nelson hospital.

Dr. Pesenti and fellow ophthalmologist Dr. Marius Scheepers will support cataract surgeries at Kootenay Lake Hospital and other ophthalmology services for the Kootenay Boundary patients. Interior Health will monitor and review ophthalmology services to ensure we are meeting the needs of patients in the region.

Interior Health acknowledges long-time ophthalmologist Dr. Neville Maytom, who retired at the end of February. We would like to thank him for his years of service to patients from across the Kootenay Boundary.

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