



OSCAR BC

Connecting Care • Creating Community

Annual Report 2019

2019 was a year of change and transition for OSCAR BC and the OSCAR community. It began with the acquisition of OSCAR support provider NERDemr by WELL Health Technologies, followed shortly thereafter by the acquisition of OSCARprn. Several meetings between WELL management and OSCAR BC took place during the year to explore our individual priorities and opportunities for collaboration. The CDX Interoperability project was an important part of the discussions as WELL inherited the responsibility for the Mitacs agreement from the three OSP's they acquired.

Development of the PSP Dashboard was completed and integrated with Version 15. Deployment started early in the year but was moving slowly due to the changes taking place with OSP's.

Three conferences were implemented. OSCARCON 2019 was held in Victoria at the University in June and there was much discussion about the future of OSCAR as an open source EMR. There was concern that future development would be controlled by corporations and not by the OSCAR community. OSCAR miniCONs were new 1-day training events, held in the fall in Abbotsford and Langley.

In September, we completed a project to connect OSCAR with the CareConnect system at Vancouver Coastal Health. The project created a button on the OSCAR interface which provided quick access to CareConnect.

By the end of the year OSCARWest was also acquired by WELL Health. The board discussed the possibility of OSCAR BC becoming a support provider and decided against it. A new OSP structured as a community-minded cooperative was being organized by several OSCAR users who wanted an alternative support provider. This entity became Open OSP Service Cooperative.

OSCAR BC continues to focus on the user community working collaboratively with OSP's, Ministry of Health, Doctors of BC, Health Authorities, academics, developers, and other health care organizations.

Financial Statements

The Balance Sheet and the Income Statement (Profit & Loss) can be downloaded from the OSCAR BC website here:

<https://oscarbc.ca/about-us/>

Notes to the Financial Statements:

The 2019 OSCAR British Columbia User Society statements are prepared by management and approved by the Board of Directors without audit.

The Society uses the accrual basis for accounting with the exception of Association Dues Income which is recorded when received.