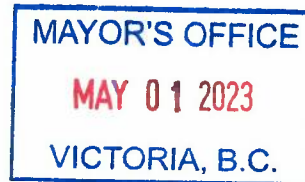


April 26, 2023

Mayor Marianne Alto  
City of Victoria  
1 Centennial Square  
Victoria, BC V8W 1P6



Dear Mayor Alto:

**Re: 2023 AVICC Resolution(s)**

UBCM is in receipt of the attached resolution(s) endorsed by your Council. Your resolution(s) received endorsement at the 2023 AVICC Spring Convention.

As such, the resolution(s) will be included in UBCM Resolutions Book for the 2023 UBCM Convention in September.

Please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, if you have any questions about this process, email: [jjustason@ubcm.ca](mailto:jjustason@ubcm.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jen Ford".

Jen Ford  
UBCM President

*Enclosure*

## Safe Drug Supply

Victoria

Whereas the British Columbia Provincial Government declared a public health emergency on April 14, 2016, in response to rapidly escalating fatalities caused by the unregulated and toxic drug supply;

And whereas despite some action by the Provincial Government to mitigate harm linked to the unregulated drug supply, interventions to-date have not been proportionate to the scale and scope of the crisis, with over 11,390 preventable deaths of British Columbians due to accidental overdose linked back to the toxic drug supply between April 2016 and December 31, 2022;

And whereas offering a safe, predictable, and regulated supply of drugs (“safe supply”) is widely recognized by health officials, policy makers, academic researchers, and advocates as a key intervention for addressing the drug poisoning crisis, and structural, policy and legal impediments to a “safe supply” are yet to be resolved:

Therefore be it resolved that the AVICC and UBCM advocate to the provincial and federal governments for increased access to accessible, culturally safe, and reliable safe supply in collaboration with its affiliated members, health and drug policy experts, and other relevant stakeholders;

And be it further resolved that AVICC and UBCM ask the provincial and federal governments to work collaboratively with its affiliated members, health and drug policy experts, and other relevant stakeholders to create an educational resource for engaging civic actors on the benefits of safe supply services as part of a continuum of critical health interventions including harm reduction, prevention, treatment and recovery, enforcement, and housing with the objective of reducing unregulated drug poisoning deaths.

**Convention Decision:**