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**'BC New Republican Party' response to questionnaire**

**What will your government do to bring a high quality, evidence-based model of arthritis care for all BC residents?**

Set up educational courses and hire more medical care professionals.

**What will your government do to introduce patient education and exercise programs, such as GLA:D, that have been proven to significantly reduce hip or knee osteoarthritis symptoms?**

Yes, the government should introduce patient education and exercise programs.

**What will your government do to improve the healthcare and lives of Aboriginals living with arthritis in BC?**

Increase the number of doctors and allocate funds to subsidize community.

**What will your government do to improve the province's ranking and ensure that BC residents living with arthritis, with the help of the doctors who treat them, are able to choose the medication most appropriate for their specific disease and risk factors?**

Increase funding, strengthen education, and provide free education courses.

**How will your government establish better prevention programs and facilitate flexible work arrangements to help reduce the direct and indirect costs of arthritis to BC employers and the BC economy?**

Funded health campaign.

**Will your government take steps to increase the number of rheumatologists and arthritis trained allied health professionals to ensure timely, specialized care for BC patients with arthritis?**

Yes, the government will take steps to increase the number of rheumatologists and arthritis trained health professionals to ensure timely, specialized care for BC patients with arthritis.