## Honouring the Memory of Angela Bauer



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It is with a very heavy heart that we share the news of the passing of Angela Bauer.

Angela joined BCEHS in 2012 as an Emergency Medical Dispatcher and later worked as a Primary Care Paramedic. Over the course of her career with BCEHS she worked in both Vancouver and Victoria Dispatch and as a paramedic in North Delta, North Langley, Surrey, Williams Lake and Bella Coola.

Angela had a larger-than-life personality. She showed an interest in paramedicine at a very young age and her parents helped her explore the profession early on. Angela was naturally caring and compassionate, and she became a skilled medic. She had deep love of animals including her cat (Kash) and her English Mastiff (Tinkerbell) who are in the care of Angela's family and will be well loved.

Our deepest sympathies go out to Angela's colleagues, friends and family. We extend our support to you and encourage you to take care of yourselves and each other as you process this news. Please give yourself time and space to grieve.

We would like to acknowledge that some of you heard this news already and wondered why it was not shared through official channels. When a current or former BCEHS employee passes, we connect with their family and loved ones to ask them for permission to internally share the news. Their wishes and timeframe guide us, and we respect the decisions they make.

The death of a colleague is difficult. And for many of you Angela was a friend. If you need support, remember the confidential resources available to all employees:

- 1. For 24/7 grief counselling and crisis support, contact Homewood Health at1-800-663-1142 or through their website at https://homeweb.ca/.
- 2. The Critical Incident Stress Program can be contacted through 1-855-969-4321 for additional counselling support as you process this difficult news.

If you're feeling hesitant to use these resources, please know that your feedback is helping us make them more supportive, safe, and trustworthy. To learn more about resources available through Homewood Health or the Critical Incident Stress Management Program please see the information here. If you would like to provide additional feedback regarding these mental health resources, please reach out to psychologicalhealthsafety@bcehs.ca.

Jointly signed,

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