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**Message from the President
Boucher Institute of Naturopathic Medicine**

Dear BINM Community,

It is a great honour and a privilege to start my functions as President and Executive Director of BINM as of today. Our school has come a long way since our visionary founders decided to venture in the process of starting Western Canada's only Naturopathic Medical College. With the guidance of our Board of Governors and the support of our community, I clearly understand my responsibility to launch BINM's next phase of development; one that honours and embraces the principles that founded and sustained our college in its origins, and at the same time one that propels us towards the highest possible levels of professionalism and academic excellence.

Our gratitude should always be directed towards our founders, supporters, past leaders and mentors; they all achieved an incomensurable task. In the same way, our drive, commitment and dedication should always be directed towards providing our students with the best naturopathic medical education experience in North America. Together, our community carries an enormous responsibility that we accept wholeheartedly as well as the satisfaction that comes from working for the health principles we hold dear to our hearts.

I would like to invite all members of the BINM Community to our next Annual Strategic Planning Retreat to be held at BINM on Saturday September 26, 2009.

Sincerely,



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President and Executive Director