



## **BC Election Campaign, April 11 – May 9, 2017**

### **British Columbia Can Do Better!**

British Columbians now have access to Duodopa therapy through BC PharmaCare; but several key issues remain including: reducing waitlists to access movement disorder clinics and treatments; increasing the availability of Parkinson's-specific specialists; and better educating healthcare professionals about Parkinson's disease. Join us in advocating for improved patient outcomes with our [Four Point Plan](#).

#### **Questions for Candidates**

Thank them, or their party if they are a new candidate, for their support in gaining access to Duodopa therapy. We encourage you to find out their position on the following issues:

1. Will they support increasing access to the only other therapy, Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS), for people with advanced Parkinson's disease?
2. What is their position on increasing clinical resources for Parkinson's disease to reduce waitlist times?
3. What is their position on providing funding to train allied healthcare professionals in the management of Parkinson's disease?
4. What is their position on changing hospital policy and training staff to allow for people with Parkinson's to take medications on a personalized schedule, which will reduce complications during hospital stays?

**Election Day is May 9<sup>th</sup>. Make sure your voice is heard!**

For more information on how to get involved, visit:

[www.parkinson.bc.ca/advocacy](http://www.parkinson.bc.ca/advocacy)