

BULLETIN

## HSA fall annual regional meeting and member-at-large elections schedule set

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The dates have been set for HSA's Annual Regional Meetings as British Columbia's restart gets underway this summer. The meetings will be held through September and October, and will be held on a virtual platform. There will be no in-person Regional Meetings.

Each HSA chapter is entitled to at least one delegate to participate with voice and vote in the Regional Meeting. Election of additional delegates is conducted at local chapter meetings.

Chapter meetings will be scheduled in the coming weeks, so if you are interested in participating in your Regional Meeting, please watch for an announcement about elections at your worksite. All members are welcome to participate in Regional Meetings, but only official delegates receive wage replacement to take time off from work to participate.

The Regional Meetings are a forum for HSA activists and members to connect with other members in their region, and to get caught up on the union's work. In addition, Members-at-Large are elected at the meetings, with elections being held in Regions 1,3,5,7, and 9 this year.

Members-at-large are important members of the union's governance structure, and have opportunities to meet people from around the province, while getting to know the union better. Each region elects two to four members-at-large, plus two alternates. Members-at-large take office at the conclusion of the following year's annual convention. The role of member-at-large is strictly a governance one, and while there is rarely any other time commitment beyond attending the meetings, members-at-large have a leadership role in the union, serving on union committees, and they are encouraged to participate in solidarity events with other unions and allies. Any wages lost due to taking time off work, child care costs, and travel expenses related to committee meetings or other official HSA business are covered by the union.

Please watch your email for details on meetings to elect delegates. The schedule of regional meetings follows:

Region	Date and Time	Location
1	Friday, October 2 (time TBD)	Online
2	Wednesday, September 30 (time TBD)	Online
3/7	Wednesday, September 23 (time TBD)	Online
4/6	Monday, September 28 (time TBD)	Online
5	Monday, September 21 (time TBD)	Online
8/9	Friday, September 25 (time TBD)	Online
10	Friday, September 18 (time TBD)	Online

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