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## **Canadian Mental Health Association**

### **Port Alberni Branch Constitution**

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1. The name of the Society is the Canadian Mental Health Association, Port Alberni Branch.
2. The purposes of the Society are:
  - a. to promote activities to improve the mental health of persons on Vancouver Island and the surrounding coastal islands;
  - b. to initiate and foster programs and services to assist with mental health;
  - c. to stimulate and guide community action which will ensure the provision of adequate professional facilities and services to improve mental health;
  - d. to encourage partnership arrangements among the Society, other voluntary organizations, mental health professionals, governments and business interests for the purpose of pooling ideas and efforts to best advantage for the improvement of mental health;
  - e. to advocate for improvement and integration of treatment and rehabilitation services for persons with mental health concerns;
  - f. to improve public understanding and attitudes about mental health;
  - g. to monitor the process of, treatment of, and the administration of justice to, people living with mental illness, for the purpose of ensuring that human rights and dignity are considered and protected;
  - h. to raise funds to carry out its purposes;
  - i. to construct, provide, maintain, lease, own and manage houses and housing projects in order to create and maintain mentally healthy communities; and
  - j. to construct, provide, maintain, lease, and own commercial property for the purpose of improving and maintaining mental health through employment.