

PG & ME!

September 2023

Welcome!

It's hard to believe we are already three months into the 2023-2024 academic year. The McMaster Postgraduate Medical Education office would like to give a warm welcome to all new Trainees, Program Directors, Faculty, and Program Administrators, and we look forward to another great year!

Accreditation May 28 – June 2, 2023

Thank you to all of the PDs, PAs and Trainees for all of your hard work during accreditation. Your participation and feedback made this accreditation cycle a successful one. In the coming months, we will have the official report from the Royal College to share and a newsletter specific to accreditation with more updates and feedback.

Thank you again to **Brenda Montesanto** for your continued hard work and dedication. You have been an invaluable resource during this time.

Announcements – Welcome!

PGME welcomes our new Program Directors. Congratulations on your new role!



Dr. Arianna Dal Cin
Plastic Surgery



Dr. Heather Waters
Family Medicine



Dr. Joye St Onge
Geriatric Medicine



Dr. Joshua Wald
Respirology



Dr. Brody Duncan
Medical Microbiology



Dr. Justin Lee
Radiation Oncology

Announcements – Thank You!

We thank you and recognize the dedication you have shown to your residency programs and residents.



Dr. Matthew McRae
Plastic Surgery



Dr. Sarah Kinzie
Family Medicine



Dr. Tricia Woo
Geriatric Medicine



Dr. Muntasir Saffie
Respirology



Dr. Daniela Leto
Medical Microbiology



Dr. Barbara Strang
Radiation Oncology

September 30th

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

"On this National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, we reflect on our ancestors who have been lost to cultural genocide and continue to be with us. We call on the McMaster community to meaningfully reflect on the systems of colonial oppression that have undermined and continue to undermine Indigenous people's lives. Further, we encourage everyone to reflect on the harms that have come to Indigenous patients in the Canadian health care system – to those such as Joyce Echaquan, Brian Sinclair and Jordan River-Anderson – and consider how current systems would still allow these harms to reoccur. Only 13/94 of the TRC's Calls to Action have been completed since their inception in 2015 and we call on the McMaster community to stand with us in solidarity and allyship to hold Western systems accountable for the lack of meaningful action to support our self-determination."

*Dr. Curtis Sobchak
PGME Indigenous Health Council*



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BONES OF CROWS

A MARIE CLEMENTS FILM

SCREENING AT A THEATRE NEAR YOU...
ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023
10:15AM - 12:30PM

Hamilton: Jackson Square Landmark 6 Cinema
Niagara: Landmark Cinemas St. Catharines
Waterloo: Landmark Cinema Waterloo

Screening in Honour of National Truth & Reconciliation Day

Join McMaster University, Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine, Hamilton, Niagara and Waterloo Regional Campus for a in-person screening on **Friday, September 29, 2023** at featuring Landmark Cinemas in honour of National Truth & Reconciliation Day. This screening is in support of McMaster's Indigenous Health Learning Lodge.

Hamilton: Jackson Square Landmark 6 Cinema

[Register Here](#)

Residents – Looking To Get Involved?

PGME and Resident Affairs recognize the importance of connecting with fellow McMaster peers outside of work. With a new academic year starting, it is a good time to consider getting involved.

Resident Affairs Led Groups and Committees available for Learners:

- Fatigue Risk Management
- Positive Learning Environment and Mistreatment Subcommittee
- Resident Well-being Advisory Group

Trainee-led Groups:

- McMaster Residents Bible Study
- McMaster Resident Geriatrics Interest Group
- Racialized Residents at McMaster

[Learn more about the committees and how to join.](#)

New From Resident Affairs:

Trainees with Children Peer Support Group

Together with resident leaders, the Resident Affairs office has created the Trainees with Children Peer Support Group, offering monthly zoom calls where PGME trainees with children can come together to share and mutually support one another. We welcome parents, guardians, and caregivers of any kind, as well as anyone who regularly supports trainees with children.



Trainees with Children Peer Support Group

MONTHLY | 8:00 PM
ON ZOOM



These calls will be informal and co-facilitated by a Resident Affairs wellness counsellor and resident leaders. Participation in the group is completely voluntary, and trainees are welcome to join with their kids!

If you have any questions, please contact pgaffairs@mcmaster.ca. We look forward to seeing you there!

OLEM Website Launched!

The Office of Learning Environment & Mistreatment, Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS) is open to Trainee's across PGME, UGME and PAEP.

OLEM is there to address mistreatment that a Trainee has experienced, or is currently experiencing, in a learning environment.

The office facilitates safe and confidential discussions space, available for discussions and provides access to a variety of supports.

The [OLEM website](#) provides Trainees with a place to submit a concern.

Upcoming Trainee Events

[View all events](#)

October 4th, 2023: PGY1 Inter-Professional Indigenous Education Session

October 17, 2023: Transition to Practice Lunch & Learn

November 3, 2023: The Resident as Teacher (TReAT) Day

November 15, 2023: PGY1 CPSO session with Dr. Karen Saperson

December 6, 2023: MAD Day

Upcoming PD/Faculty Events

[Email for details](#)

October 23, 2023: Appeals Process Workshop

October 30, 2023: EAB Remediation Workshop: Practical approaches to remediation planning

November 20, 2023: EDI workshop

November 22, 2023: CBME Retreat

December 20, 2023: In-person PGEC

Upcoming Conferences

BLACK PHYSICIANS OF CANADA CONFERENCE
 OCTOBER 12TH-15TH, 2023
 TORONTO, ONTARIO

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

WWW.BLACKPHYSICIANS.CA /CONFERENCE

EARLY BIRD RATES AVAILABLE!

ICRE CIFR
 The International Conference on Residency Education
 La Conférence Internationale sur la Formation des Résidents

About ICRE

The International Conference on Residency Education (ICRE)

ICRE 2023: October 19-21, 2023

We are pleased to offer an in-person conference in 2023. Join us in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada in fall 2023.

Our theme for ICRE 2023 is **From Caring for Patients to Protecting Our Planet: Advocacy in Residency Education.**

The Canadian Physicians Financial Conference
 A philanthropic conference by physicians for physicians

November 18, 2023 1-4pm EST (on Zoom)

Early bird pricing:
 Students: \$20
 Residents: \$40
 Physicians/Other: \$100

This year's proceeds supporting:
the equity award

Drs. Jane & Paul Healey
Larry Bates
Dr. Mark Soth
Dr. Yatin Chadha
Drs. Katie Lin & Adam Shehata
Drs. Adri-Anna Aloia & Eric Poon
Dr. Steph Zhou (Moderator)

@PFconference

PGME Office Update

Congratulations to our Fellowship Administrator, Rebecca Micks, on the birth of her son! During her leave, Amanda Woolley will transition from her role as Reception/Electives Administrator to the Fellowship Administrator.

We would like to welcome Robyn Humphrey's in her new role as Reception/Electives Administrator.

PGME wants to thank Jordan Hamilton for all of her support during the past 4.5 years. Jordan organized the program administrator education and retreats, administered the Clinician Educator Program and CaRMS, and supported PGME communications. Wish we Jordan the best of luck in her new role with SJHH.

Communications Update - PGME now has a role based account for all communications, newsletter, website, and social media emails. Please email pgmecom@mcmaster.ca with these inquiries.

PGME Mission Statement

Postgraduate Medical Education at the Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine strives to empower medical Learners by providing a safe, inclusive training environment rooted in values of lifelong learning, patient centeredness, and social responsibility. Leveraging our expertise in evidence-based teaching and practice, within a distributed education model, our mission is to equip the next generation of physicians with the knowledge and skills they need to serve our communities and advance health and health systems in Canada and beyond.

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