

PG & ME!

Newsletter - September 2021

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Welcome new PGME learners

McMaster postgrad hopes the start of your residency and fellowship training has been positive. Be sure to read our bimonthly newsletter and check out our website and Medportal for regular updates. Wondering who to contact with questions? This [directory](#) will assist you in finding the right person.

Navigating 2021 Protocols

As McMaster begins to welcome faculty, staff and learners back to campus, we know the protocols can be overwhelming. FHS recently announced that McMaster faculty, staff and learners will be required to follow [McMaster's vaccination policy](#) and process in order to enter a McMaster campus or facility (ie. CSBL). Learn about [MacCheck](#) on the McMaster website and check out the [BACK to MAC](#) resources as well. We welcome the safe return of everyone!

What does this mean for the PGME Office?

As of September 14, 2021 the PGME office will open from 8:00am-4:00pm Tuesday and Thursday each week to provide in-person essential services. The PGME office is located in the MDCL building, 3101A.

Appointments & Promotions



**Dr. Leslie Martin –
Internal Medicine**

Congratulations Dr. Martin, newly appointed Program Director, Internal Medicine. Thank you **Dr. Lori Whitehead** for your dedication and contribution to the program over the years.



**Dr. Vanessa Lentz –
Psychiatry**

Congratulations Dr. Lentz on your new appointment to Program Director, Psychiatry. Thank you **Dr. JoAnn Corey** for your commitment to the program over the years.



**Dr. Mino Mitri –
Palliative Care**

Welcome Dr. Mitri, Program Director of the newly accredited Palliative Care program.



**Dr. Quang Ngo –
Pediatric Emergency
Medicine**

Welcome Dr. Ngo, Program Director of the newly accredited Pediatric Emergency Medicine program.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

McMaster PGME recognizes that September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. As a country, this is an opportunity to recognize and commemorate the tragic history and ongoing legacy of residential schools. It is a chance to reflect, learn, and take action on what we can do to honour their survivors, families and communities. As a community, city, province, and country there is always more that can be done.

The [FHS Indigenous Students Health Sciences Office](#) offers various services, events and resources to support First Nations, Inuit and Métis learners. In addition, resources for the Indigenous Health Initiative (IHI) can be found on the PGME [learner website](#).

**Dr. Susan Archie – Director, Equity,
Diversity, & Inclusion (EDI)**

PGME is happy to introduce Dr. Susan Archie, Director, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion. She is a psychiatrist, Professor, and Chair of the Anti-Black Racism Task Force for the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences. Dr. Archie is a member of the Peter Boris Centre for Addictions Research; has published different



aspects of early intervention; and is currently engaged in knowledge translation projects sponsored by CIHR.

Resident Affairs News!

Introducing the RA Directors

PGME and the Resident Affairs office is delighted to welcome Dr. Rosheen Grady and Dr. Sujay Patel to their new roles as Resident Affairs Directors.

[Online appointment bookings](#) with both directors will be available after September 22, 2021.



Dr. Rosheen Grady is an Assistant Professor within the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Adolescent Medicine. Dr. Grady has a strong interest in medical education and works with trainees in undergrad and postgrad at McMaster. She is currently completing the Royal College Clinician Educator diploma program at McMaster. Dr. Grady has clinical and research interests in caring for youth with eating disorders, optimizing care for gender diverse youth and adolescent contraception.

Dr. Sujay Patel completed a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology at Queen's University, a Medical Degree at University College Dublin and a Psychiatric Residency at Memorial University of Newfoundland. He is a Co-Founder of "Mental Health Without Borders", a non-profit organization focused on global mental health, and has a special interest in supporting and mentoring residents and fellows with personal and professional challenges.



Upcoming Resident Affairs Events

Resident Affairs is pleased to confirm that the annual Financial Seminar Series will resume this Fall! Sessions will be held virtually, more info and registration details to follow.

- November 10, 2021- Financial Planning & Debt Management 101
- February 9, 2022- Income Taxes
- May 11, 2022- Incorporation

PGME Researchers Collaborate with Med Students

McMaster #MedStudents are looking for opportunities in research engagement. If you are currently a PGME researcher post details



about your project on Medportal. The research posting board serves to connect med students and PGME Learners interested in common health research areas, giving them the opportunity to work closely together and learn from their peers.

Research Form

Policy Updates

In July 2021 PGEC reviewed and approved the updated Leaves Policy. This updated policy and the Leave of Absence Request Form can be found on the [PGME policies website](#).

PGME Introductions

Sarah Johnson has accepted the role of Residency Program Administrator for the PGME office. Sarah worked as the receptionist and electives administrator for PGME since August 2020. **PGME would like to thank Shauna Ferguson** for her hard work and contribution to the PGME office and residency programs over the years. We wish her the best of luck in her new role with Family Medicine.



Amanda Woolley has joined the PGME team, accepting the role as Receptionist and Visiting Electives Coordinator. Amanda is a recent graduate from Brock University. Welcome to the team Amanda!

PGME Mission Statement

Postgraduate Medical Education at the Michael G. DeGroot 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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