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NEW FOR 2014 THE TEAM WILLIAMS AWARD

The College of Family Physicians of Canada's (CFPC's) Research and Education Foundation is very excited to announce the establishment of the Team Williams Award Fund. The proceeds of this fund will support a grant, established by Dave Williams, CFPC Director of Information Technology (IT), in memory of three members of the Williams family: matriarch Mary, patriarch Bert, and brother Daniel. The Team Williams Award recognizes innovators in family medicine and raises awareness of best practices across the country and, potentially, the world.

The Williams family has a passion to support continual innovation and improvement to health care, and to assist in the coordination of health care. The explosion in knowledge from both IT and medical research is expanding exponentially. The challenge is to bring positive use of these innovations into the realm of family practice teams, resulting in positive health outcomes for Canadians and for patients around the world. In 2011 when the CFPC released its vision for the Patient's Medical Home (PMH), IT was identified as a significant component for timely access to health care and better coordinated care. By using new methods and technology to find effective and efficient ways not only to serve the medical needs of their communities but to extend their reach, family doctors and family medicine residents can be at the forefront of adopting new technologies.

Applications for the award will be available as part of our 2014 Honours and Awards Program (www.cfpc.ca/awards). If you'd like to support the fund, please contact the Foundation at ref@cfpc.ca.





ESTATE, WILL, AND CHARITABLE **PLANNING**

Friday, November 8, 2013 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm

Plan for your family. Plan for your practice. Plan for your legacy. Join us as Scotiabank presents a seminar on estate and charitable planning. Learn why you should have a will, understand the tax implications of your choices, consider what to look for in an executor, and discover the importance of the power of attorney. Opportunities for charitable planning as part of your legacy will also be presented. A question and answer period will follow.

ARE YOU WALKING FOR THE DOCS?

Does an early morning November walk along Stanley Park in Vancouver appeal to you? How about walking with a couple of hundred keen medical students, residents, and family doctors? At 7 am on November 9th, family medicine interest groups (FMIGs) from across Canada will compete for a prize of \$1000 (and bragging rights) as we hold our 9th annual Walk for the Docs. Join the fun and fervour. Online registration is now open, so hurry to support your favourite medical school team! www.cfpc.ca



REF CELEBRATES GROWTH

The REF Board of Directors held its spring Board meeting on May 9th. The event was a time for celebration as the Board was pleased to report significant growth. Since 2009 REF revenues have increased from \$600,000 in 2009 to more than \$1 million at the end of 2012. The donor wall was moved from the second floor of the CFPC offices and re-established in the lobby for increased visibility as part of an extensive renovation. Visibility is not the only thing that has increased; the donor wall, with a minimum threshold of a \$1000 contribution has grown from 378 to 559 "books." We take particular pride in the fact that 35 members of staff, past and present, appear on the REF donor wall.



of the CFPC and REF, shares a moment with Michele Seaton-Gascon of Scotiabank.

NAME-DROPPING AT THE REF SILENT AUCTION

The ever-popular REF Silent Auction supporting our Honours and Awards program already has an amazing lineup. Be sure to visit College Square and place your bids from Thursday November 7th through Saturday November 9th. If we could drop a few names from our catalog they'd include KitchenAid; Swarovski; Roots Leather; Jamie Oliver; and more Hollywood memorabilia from the likes of Mark Wahlberg, Helena Bonham-Carter, and Jake Gyllenhall, as well as signed DVDs such as "The Help," autographed by Oscar Nominee Viola Davis. The catalog will appear online soon, and will be updated monthly, so be sure to look back often and bid with your heart in November.

Partners is the newsletter of the Research and Education Foundation of The College of Family Physicians of Canada. Questions? Comments? Contact Sarah Delaney CAE, Development Manager at 1-800-387-6197 +1, ext. 244 or sarah@cfpc.ca.