

Partners

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Milestones



\$5,000,000

Five million dollars in Co-RIG Phase I and II funding distributed across 27 projects



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Two global Co-RIG projects funded



\$100,000

Ten years of funding for the new Racialized Communities Leadership grant



\$500,000

Half a million dollars provided across 34 awards and grants

Co-RIG Goes Global

In collaboration with the Besrouer Centre for Global Family Medicine we've taken the Co-RIG program international. Co-RIG global-funded projects were awarded to communities in South Africa and Indonesia to help family health teams in caring for patients with chronic diseases during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In South Africa, we are supporting knowledge generation around the role of interdisciplinary care in diabetes through the work of Dr. Klaus von Pressentin. The community oriented primary care approach by family physicians and their multidisciplinary teams will enable the local health service to respond in innovative ways during the COVID-19 pandemic. These innovations are expected to have a positive impact on mortality and morbidity for people with Type 2 diabetes.

In Indonesia, Dr. Ichan Ichan's work aims to establish the Family Health Cadre Program

to bridge the gap between family doctors and patients with chronic disease. This work will empower family members to help people manage their chronic diseases, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our First Racialized Communities Leadership Grant Recipient

The year 2021 marked the launch of the Racialized Communities Leadership Grant in Family Medicine. This grant supports family physicians identifying as members of racialized communities in their efforts to enhance the delivery of primary care to marginalized patient communities.

Congratulations to Dr. Mukarram Ali Zaidi, the inaugural recipient of this grant. Dr. Zaidi's work will support his research project "Assessing Access and Satisfaction of Refugee and Immigrants to Primary Health Care in Calgary, Alberta."

With this work, Dr. Zaidi and his colleagues, Drs. Aamir Jamal, Shirley Steinberg, and Naved Bakali, are seeking a greater understanding of the challenges refugees and immigrants face when accessing health care in Canada.

Read Dr. Zaidi's full bio at fafm.cfpc.ca/DrZaidi.

Giving Campaign 2021

Thank you for your generosity. The Giving Campaign has been a success, raising more than \$96,000. Your donations will support new initiatives in advancing family medicine in Canada including the development of a Primary Care Research Entity and the creation of a data warehouse. The data warehouse will help drive the outcomes of primary care research.

For more on these initiatives, visit fafm.cfpc.ca/Giving2022.

Facets of Advancing Medicine

November marked our first year hosting a session at the Family Medicine Forum (FMF).

Facets of Advancing Medicine touched on new initiatives being led by the Foundation for Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) in 2021 and 2022, including a second round of Co-RIG Global grants, the initial phase leading to the establishment of a Primary Care Research Entity and the creation of a data warehouse.

The session had more than 500 registered attendees. We're already working to increase the number of people who can attend *Facets of Advancing Family Medicine* at FMF 2022.

Philanthropy Done Right: Associated medical services supports the future of family medicine

How can artificial intelligence support the delivery of compassionate care in family medicine? This is the question the TechForward program seeks to answer.

Started in 2020 with a generous grant from the Foundation of Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) and the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) by long-time partner Associated Medical Services Healthcare (AMS), TechForward marks the establishment of the first CFPC-AMS TechForward Fellow in family medicine.

Dr. Jacqueline Kueper, a computer scientist at Western University, is the resident thought leader in this emerging field.

This is the most recent of a long-standing collaboration between the FAFM, the CFPC, and AMS. For more than 20 years, AMS philanthropy has sustained advancements in critical areas of family medicine. Among these, AMS supported: educational grants focused on the Patient Medical Home vision of care; the Janus Scholarships, funded through an endowed gift and issued to enhance the abilities of family physicians to meet the changing needs of patient communities; and the Mimi Divinsky Award for History and Narrative in family medicine.

The focus of AMS initiatives is "understanding health care's past and shaping its future." AMS philanthropic activities make the future a reality for the CFPC TechForward Fellow.

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