

## Supporting family medicine for a healthy Canada

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### Introducing ... Family Medicine Honour Roll



The Family Medicine Honour Roll showcases excellence in family medicine by highlighting the recipients of our most prestigious awards. The site was designed to both recognize and celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of family physicians, family medicine residents, medical students, and other members of the CFPC. Currently, 2013 and 2014 recipients of major awards are featured, with plans to include a larger archive, as well as annual updates.

Explore the site at <http://fmhonourroll.cfpc.ca> and celebrate excellence in family medicine with us!

### Celebrating Sustained Success

The Board of Directors of the Research and Education Foundation is very pleased to report our charity is now celebrating its third year of revenues surpassing \$1 million. Established in 1994, with the support of members, corporations, foundations, and the CFPC staff, we have raised a cumulative amount of over \$12 million. A donation option was added at the beginning of the calendar year to allow members to contribute to any of our initiatives as part of their online membership renewal. As a result, we are seeing many first-time supporters. CFPC staff continue to give from their hearts. Even though the number of employees has

grown, we have maintained a one-in-five ratio for those who opt to support the Foundation through payroll contributions—this comes in addition to their professional and volunteer support throughout the year. The REF annually provides a purse of greater than \$500,000 for awards, grants, and scholarships that are exclusive to CFPC members—an important value proposition. As well, between \$200,000 and \$300,000 supports initiatives in areas such as global health and patient education. Having achieved and sustained these important benchmarks, we are reaching higher with a goal of \$1.5 million in revenue by 2019. It's exciting to give back to family medicine, to see the discipline grow and flourish, and to realize better and better outcomes for patients. Our history is solid, our future is bright, and in the moment, we thank you for sharing our vision.

### The Besrou Centre: An opportunity for an improved future on a global scale

The Besrou Centre was established as the result of joint efforts of the REF, the CFPC, and the vision and generosity of Dr Sadok Besrou. Through an extensive consultation process conducted over the last three years and involving global health experts from Canada's 17 departments of family medicine and their international counterparts from 15 countries over five continents, the following strategic priorities were instituted:

1. Establishing family medicine as an effective element of health systems
2. Strengthening faculty development
3. Supporting continuing professional development



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## 4. Facilitating the adoption of standards, accreditation, and certification criteria for family medicine

The development and implementation of high-quality family medicine models around the world is a key step in ensuring access to effective, cost-efficient health care for the global population. The Besroul Centre provides Canada with an opportunity to share its homegrown knowledge to help strengthen health systems globally and, in turn, to gain a worldly collection of knowledge into its own family medicine communities.

The Besroul Centre presents its supporters with an opportunity to both contribute to global health equity and invest in improved health for the world's population. In the coming months, we will be seeking out prospective partners to join us in making a difference in the lives of individuals across the globe who need and deserve the kind of family medicine we know we can provide. For more information on the Besroul Centre, please visit [www.cfpc.ca/Sadok\\_Besroul\\_Centre/](http://www.cfpc.ca/Sadok_Besroul_Centre/).

## Estate, Will, and Charitable Planning

Presentation by Scotiabank

Friday, November 13, 2015

Luncheon session at Family Medicine Forum



Plan for your practice, your family, and your legacy. Plan to attend this important Scotiabank seminar on estate and charitable planning. Understand why you need a will, gain insight into the tax implications of your bequests, consider what will be required of your executor, and learn how important it is to prepare a power of attorney. This session will provide important information on all of these issues, as well as give you options for charitable planning as part of your legacy. A question-and-answer period will follow.



Donate to the REF where you see the Dr Bear symbol



## Just in Time for the Holidays

Family Medicine Forum is happening in mid-November, leaving three weeks to Hanukkah and five weeks to Christmas! Whatever your celebration, we can help you along if you stop by College Square in the Exhibit Hall to visit and bid on this year's Silent Auction items. The catalog already includes hotel packages, gift baskets, jewelry and fashion accessories, books, kitchen items for the foodie, original art, and sports regalia. We'll be adding items regularly up until November. So watch the website, make your list, and check it twice ... but beware—it may take more than one bid to be awarded your prize. Remember, each winning bid gives twice—once to your loved ones, and once to family medicine.



## Fresh Air and Exercise for a Cause

On Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am, get outside for an invigorating walk. Join your colleagues at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre and you will work up an appetite for breakfast.

## REF Projects

Did you know the range of awards and initiatives the REF supports?

- Care of the disabled • Care of the elderly
- Early career • Education and research at all stages of practice
  - Family medicine advocacy/promotion
  - Family medicine in rural communities
- Global health care • Indigenous medical student scholarships
  - Innovation in family medicine education
- Medical student and family medicine resident leadership
  - Medical student scholarships
  - Mental health and addiction
- Outstanding contributions in teaching, research, leadership, and mentorship
  - Palliative care

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