#### September 2023

#### Fundraising Done Right

While summer isn't officially over yet, our focus is on the fall season, in particular mid-October. That is when the Foundation for Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) launches its Annual Giving Campaign, our appeal to members, board directors, staff, and external supporters to support the work of their Foundation.

The majority of the FAFM's work is centred on supporting the objectives of the organization that created the FAFM almost 30 years ago, and with which we share the focus of family medicine.

A recent example of FAFM-directed initiatives is the Workplace Integrated Demonstration Projects Grant (WID), which focuses on sustaining the adoption and optimization of interprofessional teams for the delivery of comprehensive primary care; partnering with research-based organizations to explore solutions to the current challenges in family medicine through artificial intelligence and health system integration; and funding to support family physicians at the early stages of their careers and to encourage medical students to choose family medicine as their specialty.

Every year, you answer the call to participate in the Annual Giving Campaign in greater numbers, enabling initiatives that support the advancement of family medicine and inspiring others to do the same.

Your donations, which impact nearly every FAFM initiative, can be directed to support all of the CFPC's foci of activity including research, education, continuing professional development, and global family medicine; a specific area of focus; and endowment funds, such as the Francine Lemire Legacy Fund and the Dr. David Gass Legacy Education Fund.

Your gifts are flexible and have power!

No matter the amount of your donation, every dollar you contribute provides resources to the initiatives you select, establishing clear priorities for the Foundation and, collectively, fueling our path forward.

Through the Annual Giving Campaign, you can help shape the FAFM into the Foundation you want it to be, in support of the areas of family medicine that are closest to your heart and your interests.

As summer comes to an end, we look forward with enthusiasm to the launch of the 2023 Annual Giving Campaign, ready to observe your choices and honour your contributions.

Thank you for being part of this important journey!

## Federal Funding to Transform Primary Care Training in Canada

In June we had the pleasure of welcoming the Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos, then Minister of Health, to launch Team Primary Care: Training for Transformation. Thanks to a grant from Employment and Social Development Canada, Team Primary Care is set to enhance the readiness of Canada's primary care workforce.

The funding was awarded under the Sectoral Workforce Solutions Program's solicited call for proposals. At its core, Team Primary Care aims to enhance the readiness of a supported primary care workforce to deliver more teambased comprehensive services with greater continuity and coordination of care with a whole person orientation. This initiative includes dedicated funding to support the optimization of existing primary care teams through the integration of new team members.

Team Primary Care is committed to expanding access to comprehensive care by developing interprofessional training and education for primary care practitioners. Expanded team-based care will provide Canadians, including Indigenous people and those living in rural settings, better access to comprehensive primary care.

Team Primary Care and the WID Projects Grant are milestones in the FAFM's commitment to improve health care in Canada.

Visit fafm.cfpc.ca or teamprimarycare.ca for more information.

### Welcoming new FAFM Board Members

We are proud to announce the appointment of two new FAFM board members.

A family physician since 1974, Dr. Val Rachlis is recognized as one of Canada's top 10 doctors. Val was previously president of the Ontario College of Family Physicians, launched Family Health Networks across the province, and served on multiple executive committees of the CFPC. Val has also received the Jean-Pierre Despins and Family Physician of the Year awards.

We are equally excited to have Dr. Arun Radhakrishnan join the board. A family physician focused on chronic non-cancer pain, Dr. Radhakrishnan has a long-standing interest in information and communication technologies and their application in the health care system. Arun is also an outspoken advocate of team-based care.

The addition of these two new board members, with their diverse expertise and deep commitment, will significantly bolster our mission to advance family medicine, ensuring comprehensive care for all.

#### Upcoming Events: Celebrate family medicine at FMF 2023



#### Facets of Advancing Family Medicine

Kick off Family Medicine Forum (FMF) 2023 by learning about the transformative role of the FAFM. We're eager to share stories of impact, inspiration, and innovation. Learn about the Foundation's unwavering support for the CFPC and its vision for family medicine.

All attendees are welcome. No additional tickets are required.



# Family Medicine and Primary Care Research: Celebrating, Integrating and Networking

Join the Section of Researchers and the Besrour Centre for Global Family Medicine as they pay tribute to the researchers across Canada and beyond who have been instrumental in advancing family medicine and primary care research.



Tickets are available at fmf.cfpc.ca



## Celebrating Family Medicine Teaching Excellence Event

The Section of Teachers invites you to an unforgettable evening of recognition, celebration, and fun! This event celebrates the stalwarts and rising stars of family medicine education.



Tickets are available at fmf.cfpc.ca



#### Awards Gala

The CFPC and the FAFM invite you to join us for a night filled with elegance and accolades. Celebrate the leaders in family medicine in style.

Mark your calendars and register now to be a part of these prestigious events.



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