Family Medicine Residency Program

In July 2009, Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre became the site of a “Family Medicine Teaching Unit” (FMTU). The FMTU is a partnership between Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre, the University of Toronto Department of Family and Community Medicine, and the Barrie Community Family Health Team (BCFHT).

FMTU Stats:

- To date, 55 residents have been through, or are currently in the program
- 34 residents have graduated
- 3 additional residents will graduate this fall
- Of the 34 graduates, 22 have stayed in the area. All are trained as Family Physicians but practice in a variety of areas:
  - Hospitalist Medicine
  - Emergency Medicine
  - Family Medicine
  - Outpatient Clinics
- 6 residents have been accepted into a PGY3 ER program
- 3 residents have been accepted into 3 or 6 month enhanced skills programs in Geriatrics and/or Obstetrics
- 3 residents have joined the RVH Family Practice Obstetrics Call group
- 3 residents have joined the RVH Family Practice Palliative Call group
- 1 resident has joined the board of the local FHO (Family Health Organization)
- 1 resident has become a staff physician and supervisor in the FMTU
- 1 resident has gained a certification in Travel Medicine

Faculty Appointments

To apply for a University of Toronto Faculty Appointment please visit the Physician Portal under Education or contact Sheryl Clifford at cliffords@rvh.on.ca
Research Council

The purpose of the RVH Research Council is to accelerate research by advising on research strategy and infrastructure and by providing research leadership through advocacy and mentorship.

The main focus of the council is to:

- Promote and strengthen a culture of research at RVH
- Provide guidance in creating RVH’s research vision and strategy
- Assist in evaluating potential research structures
- Review and approve research policies and procedures
- Review potential research projects and ensures that they align with the organization’s strategic and research plan
- Identify opportunities for collaboration and partnership with regards to research
- Develop and mentor new researchers
- Provide a forum for physicians and administrators to collaborate on research issues including a regular education component, which may encompass scientific or ethical material
- Evaluate research proposals and advises on matters relating to the scientific nature of research projects
- Monitor research activity and academic projects within the organization

Medical Education Committee Members:

- Dr. Chris Tebbutt, Chair, VP, Academic & Medical Affairs
- Eric Dean, Foundation CEO
- Jaclyn Bell, Interim Director, Academic & Medical Affairs
- Dr. Anwar Parbtani, FMTU Director of Research
- Jonathan Wiserma, Director, Decision Support
- Susan Devine, Research Manager
- Dr. Giulio Didiodato, Professional Staff Representative
- Sean Hopkins, Administrative Representative
- Dr. Ania Kielar, Professional Staff Representative
- Dr. Brian Kuzik, Professional Staff Representative
- Dr. Randy Leung, Professional Staff Representative
- Treva McCumber, Administrative Representative
- Dr. Russell Price, Research Ethics Board Representative
- Meredith Whitehead, Administrative Representative
- Vacant, Patient Representative

IGNITE Research Day

On Tuesday October 20, 2015, RVH will be hosting its second annual Research Conference from 7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. The research conference is an annual event dedicated to showcasing the work of researchers throughout the North Simcoe Muskoka Region.
Medical Education Committee (MEC)

The purpose of the Medical Education Committee (MEC) is to develop a medical education program at RVH of quality and excellence. The MEC oversees the education experience of all medical trainees within the organization. It allows resident participation in medical education and provides a forum for residents to provide input and feedback for program enhancement and policies relating to medical learners. The MEC assists in:

- The evaluation of training programs
- Assessing the capacity for expansion of programs,
- Supporting interprofessional education, supporting research in healthcare education
- Recognizing achievements in education

For all medical education programs at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels the MEC is responsible for:

- Coordinating educational activities - to include coordination with professionals from the other healthcare disciplines
- Monitor and evaluate quality of programs - include regular feedback from trainees and staff
- Evaluate the impact of proposed new initiatives or program expansions
- Support the development of new initiatives when appropriate
- Develop, implement, support and oversee processes for awarding and recognizing excellence in education

Medical Education Committee Members:

- Dr. Stu Murdoch, Chair, Program Director, FMTU
- Dr. Anwar Parbtani, Research & Ethics Committee
- Dr. Asif Kazmi, Paediatrics Education Lead
- Jaclyn Bell, Interim Director, Academic & Medical Affairs
- Carolyn Brooks, Medical Education Coordinator, FMTU
- Dr. Shannon Causey, Obstetrics Education Lead
- Dr. Chris Martin, Emergency Education Lead
- Dr. Derek Benjamin, Medicine Education Lead
- Dr. Doug Austgarden, Critical Care Education Lead
- Dr. Eric Mulder, Mental Health & Addictions Education Lead
- Dr. Charles Gardner, Public Health Education Lead
- Michelle Hunter, Rural Ontario Medical Program
- Dr. Kerstin Mossman, Geriatrics Education Lead
- Brittany Peterson, Physician Recruitment & Retention Coordinator
- Dr. Jim Shaver, Palliative Education Lead
- Dr. Shannon Bauman, MSK Education Lead
- Dr. Scott Powell, Surgery Education Lead
- Dr. Laurie Shaver, Hospitalist Education Lead
- Dr. Chris Tebbutt, VP, Academic & Medical Affairs
- Valerie Johnston, Mental Health & Addictions Education Lead
- Dr. Frederick Yoon, Cancer Centre Education Lead
- Dr. Dennis Fiddler, Family Medicine Chief Resident
- Dr. Eric Traficante, Family Medicine Chief Resident
- Dr. Willy Phan, Family Medicine Chief Resident
- Vacant—Family Medicine, PGY1 Representative

UpToDate® Subscription Renewal

The RVH UpToDate onsite subscription has been renewed for an additional year. Thank-you for all of your feedback during this process. UpToDate is accessible on any RVH computer and can be found by going to the start menu then clicking on “All Programs” and “RVH Online Health Library.”
Teaching for Learning and Collaboration

The **Teaching for Learning and Collaboration (TLC)** workshop series offers clinical preceptors the opportunity to share their teaching experiences and build their teaching skills together.

Feedback

“Practical—made me change my actual practice of setting learning objectives”

“The ice breakers were a good way to meet/introduce people and set a safe environment for learning”

“Discussed real-life situations involving feedback and evaluations”

Modules

Module 1: Identify Learner Needs and Setting Objectives

Module 2: Making Learning Stick

Module 3: Managing the Teaching Session and Small Group Facilitation

Module 4: Feedback
RVH Education Award Winners

All award recipients are nominated by their peers or by Family Medicine residents. The awards below were awarded by University of Toronto, Medical Education; University of Toronto, Department of Family and Community Medicine and Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre.

Dr. Anwar Parbtani
Excellence in Research Mentorship Award

Dr. Rob Gabor
Professional Development Program Award

Dr. Nancy Trimble
Program Leadership in the Education Achievement Category

Dr. Michelle VanWalraven
Postgraduate Medical Trainee Leadership Award

Dr. Andre Bedard
Teaching Excellence in Family Medicine

Dr. Stephen Onlock
Teaching Excellence in Specialty Medicine

RVH 2014-15 Fast Facts

146 Learners

89 Residents

89 Students

34 Family Medicine Graduates

89 Observers

100 U of T Faculty

8,546 Learner days

75 Active Research Studies

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RESEARCHER NEWS & HIGHLIGHTS


- Matthew Orava was awarded a grant for his Idea to Proposal 2014-2015 small grant scheme titled “Childhood and Youth Obesity: Assessment of Screening and Management Patterns in Community-based Primary Care Practice.

- Brian Kuzik published an expert commentary on inhaled corticosteroids in *children with persistent asthma: effects on growth Paediatr Child Health June/July 2015*

- Giulio Didiodato has been accepted to present both an oral abstract and poster at the prestigious Infectious Diseases Society of America meeting in San Diego in the fall. He will present on his work evaluating the effectiveness of an antimicrobial stewardship intervention on reducing the incidence rate of healthcare-associated *Clostridium difficile* infection.

- Giulio Didiodato, Leslie McArthur, Joseph Beyene, Marek Smieja and Lehana Thabane have been accepted for publication in Trials. *Can an antimicrobial stewardship program reduce the length of stay of immune-competent adult patients admitted to a hospital ward with a diagnosis of community-acquired pneumonia?*
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