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First Jean-Pierre Despins Award winner chosen



Congratulations to Dr Harold Dion, President of the Quebec College of Family Physicians and Chair of the College's Membership Advisory Committee, as inaugural winner of the Jean-Pierre Despins Award. This award will be presented during the Family Medicine Forum (FMF) in November 2002, in Montreal.

The annual recipient of this prestigious new national award must be an outstanding advocate and public spokesperson for family physicians and patients who has demonstrated the qualities embodied by and greatly valued by Dr Despins himself: statesmanship, leadership, diplomacy, courage of conviction, sense of humour, compassion, and consideration for others.

Jean-Pierre Despins, a well loved and active member of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC), was from St-Leonard d'Aston in Quebec. He served as Quebec Chapter President in 1989-1990, National President in 1995-1996, and Chairman of the Research and Education Foundation (REF) in 1999-2000. His untimely death in December 2000 was a deep loss to his family, his friends, and his colleagues.

To support this important award in perpetuity, the REF established the **Jean-Pierre Despins Endowment Fund**. Individual donors to the REF may designate all or part of their gifts to support this fund in perpetuity by marking their donor card. Congratulations, Dr Dion, and thank you for being a worthy ambassador for family medicine!



Honouring Associated Medical Services: (From left) Dr David G. Moores, REF Chair, and Dr Dominique Tessier, CFPC President, sincerely thank Dr William E. Seidelman, President of Associated Medical Services, Incorporated, for 5 years' outstanding support of the Janus Scholarship Program by building the \$478 800 AMS Endowment Fund through the REF.

New CFPC Fellowships in Women's Health

The REF is funding 10 new CFPC Fellowships in Women's Health in 2002 thanks to a generous \$75 000 grant from the Foundation for the Promotion of Reproductive and Sexual Health and the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada (SOGC).

"This exciting partnership between our two professional organizations and foundations," said Dr Calvin Gutkin, Chief Operating Officer of the REF, "will assist family doctors in various communities across the country in providing enhanced care to their female patients. We are grateful to the SOGC and their Foundation for this support."

Recipients of these fellowships, who will be honoured during FMF, include Dr Armand Aalamian, Montreal, Que; Dr Forough Abtahi, Beaconsfield, Que; Dr Marion Blouw, Winnipeg, Man; Dr Erica Button, Hinton, Alta; Dr Linda Davidson, Vancouver, BC; Dr Doris Kyeremateng, Winnipeg, Man; Dr Sally Mahood, Regina, Sask; Dr Meredith Simon, Calgary, Alta; Dr Ardythe Taylor, Calgary, Alta; and Dr Patricia Wilson, Waterdown, Ont.

Each Fellow in Women's Health will receive \$7500 to support 1 or 2 months' study full time or part time, preferably at a Canadian medical school. The purpose of these awards is to support CFPC members who have been in practice for more than 5 years to develop their knowledge and skills

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to serve their communities better. Each award will take the form of a clinical traineeship as an active, individualized, practical experience with defined educational objectives.

Eligible areas of study include sexual and reproductive health appropriate to various ages, sexually transmitted diseases, breast health, prevention and screening of gynecologic diseases, and menopause. Selection of CFPC Fellowships in Women's Health will take into account regional, practice location, academic, and community-based factors. Further information on these fellowships is available at www.cfpc.ca/programs/award/awardshome.asp.

Both partnering organizations wish to acknowledge that these fellowships have been made possible through unrestricted educational grants from Berlex Canada Inc, Janssen-Ortho Inc, Organon Canada Inc, Pharmacia Canada Inc, Pfizer Canada Inc, and Wyeth-Ayerst Canada Inc.

Reception to honour award winners at FMF 2002

Board members from the Quebec College of Family Physicians and the CFPC will meet at a special reception held by the REF at the Montreal Marriott Hotel on November 6 during FMF 2002. The reception will pay tribute to the achievements of the many individual award winners honoured during the conference week who are directly supported by funding from the REF through the CFPC Member Awards Program.

This year's special recognition will focus on the 10 Family Physicians of the Year (Reg L. Perkin Awards), outstanding individuals nominated through their individual chapters, whose names will be announced at the combined Board of Directors' dinner following the reception. Janssen-Ortho Inc generously sponsors these prestigious national awards.

Since 1997, Associated Medical Services, Inc, and Scotiabank have created substantial endowment funds through the REF to support future scholarships under the Janus Project.



"You can bank on us": Dr David G. Moores, REF Chair, and Dr Dominique Tessier, CFPC President, extend the College's grateful appreciation to Mr Brian Holt of Scotiabank for the bank's outstanding support totaling \$490 000 since 1997 for the CFPC's Janus Project and Patient Education Program. Scotiabank has generously expanded its funding commitment for CFPC programs through the REF for up to 5 years.

Thanks to their outstandingly generous support, 10 new AMS/Janus Research Grants and 10 Scotiabank/Janus CME Scholarships will be awarded this year.

Associated Medical Services/Janus Research Grants will be presented to Dr Sylvie Berthiaume, Montreal, Que; Dr Risa Bordman, Scarborough, Ont; Dr Michael Dworkind, Montreal, Que; Dr Alison Eyre, Ottawa, Ont; Dr Patricia Morris, Ottawa, Ont; Dr Carolyn Rowntree, Calgary, Alta; Dr Margaret Sanborn, Chelsey, Ont; Dr Jeff Sisler, Winnipeg, Man; and Dr Ellen Wiebe, Vancouver, BC. Associated Medical Services funding also supports the DM Robb Research Grant being presented to Dr Madeleine Cole, Toronto, Ont.

Scotiabank/Janus CME Scholarships will be presented to Dr Amanda Bell, Port Colborne, Ont; Dr Sarah Eckler, London, Ont; Dr Carolle Bernier, Sherbrooke, Que; Dr Susy Lin, Toronto, Ont; Dr Ruth Elwood Martin, Vancouver, BC; Dr Cathy Risdon, Dundas, Ont; Dr Shirley Schipper, Edmonton, Alta; Dr Margaret Tromp, Picton, Ont; Dr Terry Weinberg, Toronto, Ont; and Dr J. Galt Wilson, Prince George, BC.

The Ian McWhinney Family Medicine Education Award, supported by donations to the Ian McWhinney Endowment Fund, will be presented

to Dr Robert Woollard, Vancouver, BC. The Hollister King Rural Family Practice Study Grant, supported by the Hollister King Endowment Fund, will be presented to Dr Carolle Bernier, Sherbrooke, Que. Numerous other CFPC award winners will be announced in Dr Gutkin's "Vital Signs" column in *Canadian Family Physician*.

The REF wishes to acknowledge each of its corporate and foundation donors from the past year: Abbott Canada, Agouron Pharmaceuticals, Associated Medical Services Incorporated, Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group, C. Robert and Mildred Kemp Trust, *Canadian Family Physician*, the Canadian Medical Foundation, the Change Foundation, the College of Family Physicians of Canada, Du Pont Pharma, GlaxoSmithKline, The Hamilton Community Foundation, Janssen-Ortho Inc, KPMG Foundation, McGill University Department of Family Medicine, McMaster University Department of Family Medicine, Merck Frost Canada and Co, Ontario College of Family Physicians, Prince Edward Island College of Family Physicians, Professional Association of Internes and Residents of Ontario Trust Fund, Royal Canadian Legion, and Scotiabank. The generous support of these organizations allows the REF to fund both national and chapter-based projects to improve the quality of patient care across the country. ♦

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