



Family Medicine Forum 2018

The College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) submission deadlines for [Family Medicine Forum](#) 2018 (FMF) are as follows:

- Call for free-standing papers: Monday, April 9, 2018
- Call for posters: Monday, April 9, 2018

Besroure Forum 2018

The Besroure Centre continues to work with FMF as we look to most effectively align the Besroure Forum with the FMF program. FMF will run from November 14th to 17th, 2018 in Toronto. Further details will soon be confirmed.

- Call for posters: deadline Tuesday, July 3, 2018.

Submissions may be made by email to the besrourecentre@cfpc.ca. Please see [guidelines attached](#).

Working group updates

Advocacy, Community Engagement, and Ethics: As a follow-up to discussions at the Besroure Forum Deans' breakfast, the Besroure Centre endeavours to focus on two main activities under the rubric of the social accountability and dean engagement:

- Developing a strategic guide for deans to support implementing and strengthening robust family medicine training
- Organizing a platform for discussion that highlights role of the deans, with a venue for exchange between deans and community

Discussions continue to take place.

Besroure Papers and Research: The Canada-Brazil journal series is in progress, with eight papers currently in different stages of development. The group is also exploring ways to promote at the WONCA World Conference in Seoul, Korea, in October 2018.

Faculty Development: Together with the CFPC Education Department, Section of Teachers, and the Continuing Medical Education Working Group, we are developing a matrix of CFPC educational offerings. This will help the Besroure Centre's partners identify their medical education needs in their local settings. This matrix will eventually be a tangible way to better align global partners with CFPC education communities. As well, the group continues discussions with the Faculdades Santa Marcelina (FASM) in São Paulo, Brazil, working toward a curriculum redevelopment.

Continuing Medical Education: The group continues to seek opportunities to apply itself to a concrete CME-related initiative while exploring collaboration with other medical education forums, such as the Besroure Faculty Development Working Group and the CFPC Academic Family Medicine department.

Narratives and FM Mapping: The group's Storybooth abstract has been accepted for the WONCA World Conference in Seoul, South Korea, in October 2018. Congratulations Storybooth team!

Resident Group: The group has begun exploring the health impact of reconciliatory actions around the world, in collaboration with the CFPC Indigenous Health Working Group. The group is working through the PICO process in order to refine an appropriate research question to begin their literature review.

Kuwait Institute for Medical Specialization (KIMS)

The CFPC was invited to Kuwait to discuss the possibility of collaboration in quality improvement for their family medicine residency program. The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada organized the meeting, and facilitated attendance by Dr. Francine Lemire, CFPC CEO and Executive Director, and Dr. Ric Almond, CFPC Director of Accreditation. Feedback and an assessment of the KIMS family medicine program is currently under way. The Besroure Centre and CFPC are looking forward to continued collaboration and next steps with the family medicine community in Kuwait!

Ariadne Labs update

Following WONCA's successful bid to Ariadne Labs (see [February's communication](#) for details), the Besroure Centre is pleased to be able to collaborate with colleagues at WONCA on their submission for research gaps in the organization and financing of primary health care in low- and middle-income countries. You have all likely received a note from the Besroure Centre to participate in a Delphi panel related to this work, about which you can [find more information](#) on the WONCA website.

Conferences and events

[Community Empowerment for Health: A multi-sectoral approach](#)

Presented by The Network: Towards Unity for Health (TUFH) and the University of Limerick
August 16 to 20, 2018, Limerick, Ireland

[Primary Care in the Future: Professional excellence](#)

WONCA 2018

October 17 to 21, 2018, Seoul, South Korea

- An abstract has been submitted by the Narratives Working Group. Anyone submitting abstracts are asked to share the information with the Besrou community.
- Scholarships for Seoul: The Montegut Global Scholars Program (MGSP) is providing a scholarship (a value of US\$3,300) for the selectee from each of the seven WONCA regions to attend the WONCA world conference, in Seoul, South Korea, in 2018. Further details, including an application form, are available on the [WONCA website](#).