



# The Besrou Centre for Global Family Medicine – FM Pivot Modules

Building on the experience and knowledge gained by our global family medicine community through the COVID-19 pandemic, five teams of dyads—which include a Canadian and an international partner—developed the Family Medicine (FM) Pivot Modules. The initiative features theme-based interactive educational components, webinars, platforms for discussion, and opportunities for sharing of resources.

Topics focus on specific global health emergency related competencies within five themes: chronic disease, community-based research, disaster preparedness, mental health, and virtual education.

- Developed by global family physicians for community-based family physicians/primary caregivers, and family medicine learners and their educators
- Each thematic interactive online module shares recent primary care literature and lessons learned from multiple global sources (focusing on low- and middle-income countries) to provide opportunities for participants to develop and apply within their own contexts
- Module content is primarily asynchronous, but includes opportunities for Q and A and knowledge-sharing through live ‘coffee chats’ and discussion boards
- Each module will take approximately two to three hours to complete
- Course participants will receive a certificate of completion after finishing all learning activities within a module
- Free access is available with module registration
- Register for the course via one of these links:
  - Directly on the FM Pivot course page at [fmpivot.ca](https://fmpivot.ca) or
  - Via the WHO’s IntegratedCare4People platform—simply **go online** to register, complete your profile, and join our Communities of Practice for link to the module.

## Announcing the pilot FM Pivot Module!

Now available!

**Finding Great Research Questions in Pandemics and Other Crises:**  
An introduction for family medicine researchers

Learning objectives:

- Be inspired to participate in research by the experiences of family medicine/primary health care researchers during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Describe the essential steps that many researchers take in the development of their project
- Describe how researchers develop relevant and usable questions as a first step in their project journey
- Identify a research question that you could address within your own primary care or family medicine context during COVID-19 and future global health emergencies
- Apply a process of critical appraisal of existing literature relevant to your question

