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Besroul Conference 2017

We are pleased to announce that the Besroul Conference will be taking place on **Tuesday, November 7th, 2017**. This year's conference is being held one day prior to the CFPC's Family Medicine Forum (FMF)—scheduled for November 8th to 11th, 2017, in Montreal, Canada—to give the Besroul community the opportunity to take part in the rich discussions being held at FMF.

Further details will follow in the next few weeks. In the meantime, please make sure your calendars are marked!

Working group updates

Continuing Medical Education Working Group: The group will be moving forward in supporting and improving the knowledge and skills of general physicians in the local health systems of the low- to middle-income countries. Next steps will include developing a template of materials for interested partners and moving towards dissemination at the Conference 2017.

Besroul Papers and Research Working Group: Another article in the series of Besroul Papers has been published in this month's edition of *Canadian Family Physician*—Family medicine around the world: overview by region.

Scientific Committee: Final call for abstracts—This is a reminder to participants wishing to showcase their research, quality improvement, and medical education projects, to submit abstracts for presentation at the Besroul Conference. Whether your project is complete or still in progress, we encourage you to make your submission. If you require an extension on the deadline date of July 1, 2017, please let us know. For further details on the guidelines, see attached.

Besroul Resident Chapter

Molly Whalen-Brown (Family Medicine at University of Calgary), lead in the Resident Chapter group, will be reaching out to family medicine residents who have a keen interest in becoming involved with the Besroul Centre. If you have residents interested in learning more, please have them contact Molly at BesroulResidents@cfpc.ca.

Articles of interest

[Twelve Tips for Medical Teaching](#)

Vogt A, Wang S. Twelve tips for medical teaching in low-resource settings. *Med Teach* 2017;25:1-4.

[Family Medicine Around the World – Besrouer Papers](#)

Arya N, Gibson C, Ponka D, Haq C, Hansel S, Dahlman B, et al. Family medicine around the world: overview by region: The Besrouer Papers: a series on the state of family medicine in the world. *Can Fam Physician* 2017;63(6):436-441.

[Faculty development in family medicine education](#), co-authored by our working group lead, Dr. Christine Gibson Johnson B, Cayley WE, Nguyen BM, Larson P, Colon-Gonzalez MDC, Gibson C, et al. Faculty development in family medicine education: what is needed? *Pan Afr Med J* 2017;26:141.

Events of interest

[Canadian Conference on Global Health—Leaving no one behind? Reflections for action in a changing world](#)

Canadian Society for International Health

Ottawa, Canada

October 29 to 31, 2017

[Fourth Global Forum on Human Resources for Health—Building the health workforce of the future](#)

November 13 to 17, 2017

Dublin, Ireland

We continue to follow and participate in various WHO discussions, particularly on family medicine's contribution to the WHO [Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health: Workforce 2030](#). The Besrouer Centre has submitted an abstract for an oral presentation to the Fourth Global Forum on Human Resources for Health. Please let us know if there are any Besrouer Colleagues planning to attend this forum.