Exploring Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion: Practical considerations

Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 • Venue: Family Medicine Forum (FMF)
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Vivian Ramsden (Moderator)
Dr. Vivian R. Ramsden is a registered nurse, and a professor and director of Research, Department of Academic Family Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan. She is currently the Chair-Elect for the Section of Researchers and is an Honorary Member of the CFPC.

As a participatory health researcher in primary health care settings, she is a passionate advocate of authentic engagement, co-creation, and action research. Along with several Indigenous communities in northern Saskatchewan and a number in South India, Dr. Ramsden is engaged in research that is co-created, co-designed, co-developed, co-presented, and co-authored with the communities.

Lindsay Crowshoe (Panelist)
Dr. Lynden (Lindsay) Crowshoe is a Blackfoot primary care physician and researcher, member of the Piikani First Nation, an associate professor of medicine, and the Assistant Dean Indigenous Health at the University of Calgary Cumming School of Medicine.

Dr. Crowshoe is the nominated principal investigator (NPI) of the Education for Equity (E4E) projects that have transformed diabetes health care with Indigenous peoples living in Canada. He is also the lead principal investigator of the Indigenous Primary Health Care and Policy Research Network – [Alberta] Network Environments for Indigenous Health Research.

Dr. Crowshoe provides clinical service to the urban Indigenous population of Calgary at the Elbow River Healing Lodge, health service model that he developed. He provides input on Indigenous health education policy and programming within national organizations, and leads similar activities within the Cumming School of Medicine in his role as Assistant Dean.

Margo Greenwood (Panelist)
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Dr. Greenwood has undertaken work with the Canadian Council on Social Determinants of Health, Pan-Canadian Public Health Network, and the Canadian Institute of Health Research (specifically the Institute of Population and Public Health and the Institute of Indigenous Peoples’ Health).

Ingrid Waldron (Panelist)
Dr. Ingrid Waldron is a professor and the HOPE Chair in Peace and Health in the Global Peace and Social Justice Program in the Faculty of Humanities at McMaster University. Dr. Waldron’s studies focus on ecological violence and the structural determinants of health. She is interested in various determinants of Black, Indigenous, immigrant, and refugee communities.

Dr. Waldron is the founder and Executive Director of the Environmental Noxiousness, Racial Inequities and Community Health (ENRICH) Project, which inspired the federal private members bill, A National Strategy to Redress Environmental Racism (Bill C-230). She co-produced the Netflix documentary “There’s Something in the Water,” based on her book of the same name. Dr. Waldron is currently a board member at Research Canada.

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