

Key Topics – Fall 2018

Section of Residents Council Meeting

Following are the topics that were discussed at the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) Section of Residents (SoR) Council meeting this fall.

1. SoR responsibilities

Re-emphasizing the purpose of the SoR, and establishing it as a solid basis for the work the SoR plans to complete going forward, the 2018–2019 objectives are:

- Engage SoR general membership with the CFPC and the Council
- Support SoR Council members in sustainable work
- Promote the specialty of family medicine and our residents as leaders

2. SoR new Executive and working group structure

Executive

For the past year the SoR has been piloting an expanded eight-person Executive structure to support succession planning. Members approved the new structure, which now consists of the Chair, Vice-chair, Executive Lead External, Executive Lead Internal and their respective Executive-elect positions.

Working Groups

Introduced last year, the working groups are focused on key concepts and projects that reflect the SoR's goals and help achieve its mandate. The current working groups are: Resident Relations, Knowledge Translation and Exchange, Family Medicine Forum Planning/SoR 30th Anniversary, Guide to Improvement of Family Medicine Training (GIFT) 2018, GIFT 2019.

CFPC Committees

Each year the SoR is asked to identify R1 residents who will provide their perspectives to various CFPC committees for a two-year term. All representatives will report to the Council with committee updates. The following committees will be open to general SoR membership and a call for nominations will be distributed shortly:

- Section of Communities of Practice in Family Medicine: Child and Adolescent Health
- Section of Communities of Practice in Family Medicine: Developmental Disabilities
- Section of Communities of Practice in Family Medicine: Palliative Care

3. Updates from the CFPC

The Family Medicine Professional Profile

[The Family Medicine Professional Profile](#) is a CFPC position statement about the discipline of family medicine. It describes the scope of practice and training for family physicians, capabilities, contributions, and highlights our philosophy of care and commitments of family physicians to Canadians. We encourage residents to review the profile.

4. Open forum topics

Section of Residents 30th Anniversary

The SoR will be celebrating its 30th anniversary beginning in the fall of 2019. Contact your local SoR Council representative with any ideas to recognize and celebrate residents.

Guide for Improvement of Family Medicine Training (GIFT) 2019

This year the Knowledge Translation and Exchange working group introduced a hexagon tool that they adapted to help select the GIFT 2019 topic. The tool helps to systematically evaluate innovations via six broad factors (need, fit, resources, evidence, readiness, and capacity). Various topics were shortlisted, and Council members ranked the topics. Addictions was selected for GIFT 2019. Working group members will deliberate over the next several months to narrow down the project's specific focus (e.g., opioid management, framework for deprescribing, etc.).

GIFT 2018

Work continues on this year's GIFT on QI Education in Family Medicine Residency Programs. A literature review was conducted, and a nationwide survey was sent out to help answer the question "What is the resident perspective on QI education in family medicine residency programs in Canada?" The full guide will be presented to program directors for their feedback at this year's Family Medicine Forum.

Family Medicine Forum

Lots of exciting things are happening at this year's [Family Medicine Forum](#) (FMF). Attend multiple resident stream sessions such as: Transition to Practice: A guide for the graduating resident; Locums 101; Preparing for Practice: The CFPC's self-guided learning approach from residency into practice; and many more. Check out the new mentorship pilot program and meet with experienced physicians in your area of interest. Connect with fellow residents/students in the newly designated lounge area. Get your tickets and relax and enjoy the live DJ at the Student & Resident Social at Steam Whistle Brewery. Check out the [Ultimate Guide for Students and Residents](#) for more information.

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Further questions or concerns should be directed to your SoR Council representative, the names of whom can be found on the [SoR website](#).