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## Information Release

### The CFPC welcomes Dr. Michael Allan to its Programs and Practice Support department



(September 27, 2017, Mississauga, ON) – The College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) is pleased to announce that Dr. Michael Allan, from Edmonton, Alberta, has joined the College as a physician consultant for the Programs and Practice Support (PPS) department.

In his new role, Dr. Allan brings his expertise to current PPS projects and partnerships and the development of the CFPC's Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Capacity Project—a model aimed at supporting the development and dissemination of new CPD activities independent of industry sponsorship.

For almost 20 years Dr. Allan has worked in family practice at the Northeast Community Health Centre in Edmonton. He is actively involved in the University of Alberta's Department of Family Medicine as a professor and as Director, Evidence Based Medicine.

Throughout his career, Dr. Allan has developed and led a variety of innovative CPD and practice support activities. He is involved with the Alberta College of Family Physicians (ACFP)'s Practical Evidence for Informed Practice (PEIP) conferences. He serves as the Director of the ACFP's Evidence and CPD Program and works with the PEER Team—a program that offers unique interactive CPD sessions and road shows across Canada. Dr. Allan writes evidence-based clinical summaries known as Tools for Practice, which are regularly featured in *Canadian Family Physician (CFP)* and on the ACFP website. He also co-hosts a regular online podcast — The Best Science Medicine podcast.

Dr. Allan has been involved with Toward Optimized Practice (TOP), an Alberta organization that encourages physicians and care teams to adopt evidence-based best practices. He currently serves as Chair of the TOP Clinical Practice Guidelines Advisory Committee and Co-chair of TOP's Alberta Screening and Prevention Program. Dr. Allan champions the need for creating guidelines to support family physicians and primary care providers. An expert in knowledge translation, he also spearheaded the influential Simplified Lipid Guidelines, first published in *CFP* in 2015.

Dr. Allan is a creative, enthusiastic, and accomplished leader whose passion for innovative approaches to medical education will help enhance the CFPC's initiatives and development of practice support tools.

## ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS OF CANADA

The College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) represents more than 36,000 members across the country. It is the professional organization responsible for establishing standards for the training and certification of family physicians. The CFPC reviews and accredits continuing professional development programs and materials that enable family physicians to meet certification and licensing requirements and lifelong learning interests. It also accredits postgraduate family medicine training in Canada's 17 medical schools. The College provides high-quality services, supports family medicine teaching and research, and advocates on behalf of family physicians and the specialty of family medicine.

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