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OTTAWA, March 23, 2017 - The Association of Faculties of Canada (AFMC) has an enduring commitment to social accountability and high quality medical education and training of Canada's physicians. The AFMC joined Health Canada and multiple partners that ranged across the sectors of Federal, Provincial and local health, wellness and education institutions in the Joint Statement of Action to address the serious and growing Opioid Crisis issued November 2016. This statement, including AFMC's commitment, can be found at [here](#).

The Association of Faculties of Medicine (AFMC) is pleased to announce that **Jon Kimball** will be Director, Data and Information Services, as of April 3, 2017. He brings with him over 20 years of experience in healthcare data management and implementing systems with a focus on improving health through better use of information. He has a proven track record of understanding the complexities of healthcare and harnessing information to make a difference.

Jon holds a BA in Electronics Engineering, and an MBA from the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto. He is a Chartered Professional Accountant and carries the Project Management Professional Designation (PMP). He joins us from Better Outcomes Registry Network (BORN) Ontario, a provincial program that collects data on all pregnancy and births in Ontario via the BORN Information System, which he was hired to develop.

Jon previously worked as a manager for Cancer Care Ontario, where he focused on improving processes and outcomes, and leveraging technology and information to improve patient care. He has worked in a number of organizations in Canada and the United States, and has been responsible for strategic planning, technology selection, joint application development, reporting, capacity planning, as well as project and resource management.

Jon will be a great addition to the AFMC leadership team, and we are thrilled to have him join us.

AFMC commits to:

* Continuing to ensure that the accreditation standards for Canada's medical schools include instruction in the diagnosis, prevention, appropriate reporting and treatment of the medical consequences of common societal problems, including the opioid crisis.

* By November 2017: Having faculty experts:

- Review opioid educational activities currently in use in its 17 faculties of medicine; and
- Create and share a repository of educational products that reflect best practice and provide them to all faculties.

Our review and collection of the opioid educational activities is already underway. We are convening a meeting of experts from our 17 Faculties of Medicine to identify best practices. Results and educational tools will be shared widely so that our physicians are well-equipped to address this crisis now and in the future.



2017 Canadian Conference on Medical Education - a focus on Indigenous health and medical education

We are pleased that this year's conference will have a strong focus on Indigenous health and medical education. Not only will the AMS-AFMC J. Wendell McLeod Memorial Lecture feature Senator Murray Sinclair, Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, but AFMC is also proud to announce that this year's Hot Topic is **Canada's Indigenous People's Health: Truth and Reconciliation and a Call to Action for Medical Schools**.

Announcements

Nominate a Health Hero for Induction into the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame - Deadline June 26, 2017

For more information about our nomination process, visit: www.cdnmedhall.org/nominate

The Royal's Institute of Mental Health Research (IMHR) is seeking a Research Scientist, Mental Health (e-RIMh). Application Deadline is April 30, 2017. For further information, visit: <http://www.theroyal.ca/erimh/>

Early Bird Registration for FMRAC's 2017 Annual Meeting & Conference is now OPEN!

When: 10-12 June 2017

Where: The Fairmont Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Conference Title: "The Regulation of Opioid Prescribing: Turning our minds to collaborative solutions" / "Encadrement professionnel de la prescription d'opioïdes : vers une approche collaborative"

Online registration, hotel reservations and all other details may be found on FMRAC's website: <http://fmrac.ca/amc-home/>

5th Canadian Conference on Physician Health Call for abstracts - Submission deadline is April 1, 2017. Visit the conference website for more information: <https://www.cma.ca/En/Pages/ccph.aspx>

Prix du Mérite 2017 de Médecins francophones du Canada - [Appel de candidatures](#)

Ce prix est décerné à un médecin en reconnaissance de son engagement et de son dévouement exemplaire auprès de sa communauté et au rayonnement de

This highly anticipated session will focus on the [Calls to Action](#) accompanying the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC)'s Final Report that are directly pointed at academic medicine. Participants will be invited to explore ways of addressing the Social Determinants of Health that have so negatively impacted the health and wellbeing of Indigenous Peoples, and consider the responsibility that all members of the health community have to commit and advocate for change at an individual, medical school, and national level, to respond to the TRC Calls to Action.

Moderated by Dean Brian Postl, Max Rady College of Medicine, University of Manitoba, the Hot Topic session will involve panelists Drs. Barry Lavallee, Marcia Anderson Decoteau and Darlene Kitty, and will be held on Monday, May 1, 2017, from 3:00-4:30pm at the RBC Convention Center, York Ballroom. Be sure to join us for what will most certainly be a great discussion.



Seen above (L. to R.) are André Picard, Isabelle Savard, Andrew Warren and Denise Cole at last year's AFMC Hot Topic session on aligning physician career plans to meet societal needs.



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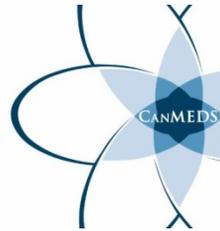
CanMEDS Consortium will promote pan-Canadian approach to physician training and evaluation

Inspired by a shared commitment to improve medical education, the AFMC is pleased to co-chair the new CanMEDS Consortium, which includes 12 other Canadian healthcare organizations. Members have agreed to embed the CanMEDS Framework - a common set of values and competencies - into their respective areas of work in training and evaluating physicians in Canada.

The result will be better patient care emanating from a more consistent and coordinated national approach to physician training and practice.

For more information, visit royalcollege.ca/canmeds or email canmeds@royalcollege.ca

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