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AFMC Presidential Address and Awards Ceremony

**Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.,
Section C3, Convention Hall Level**

The AFMC awards celebrate outstanding contributions by groups and individuals in promoting and advancing medical education in Canada. We are honoured to present this year's well-deserving recipients with their awards at the **AFMC presidential address and award ceremony**. Find out more about our recipients' achievements [here](#).



AFMC Strategic Policy Forum

**Monday, April 30, 2018, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Room C1-C2, Convention Hall Level**

Are you ready for #CCME18?

The 2018 edition of the Canadian Conference on Medical Education is fast approaching. AFMC is looking forward to being a part of a wealth of wide-ranging activities at the **Halifax Convention Center**, from **Thursday, April 26 to Tuesday, May 1, 2018**. Here's what's in store for you!



(Please note that in order to attend any of these activities, [you must be registered for the conference](#))

LIFE COURSE 2018

**Thursday, April 26, 2018, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, in room 612-13,
Summit Level**

AFMC is holding a CCME pre-conference workshop by bringing back the popular "**Leadership for Faculty Executives**" (LIFE) Course. If you are an aspiring Dean, or as a leader in academic medicine, you are looking to take on a more senior role and want to improve your skills and develop strategies to optimize your success: this course is for YOU!

In any given year, one in five people in Canada experiences a mental health problem or illness and it affects almost everyone in some way. The AFMC Strategic Theme this year is **Mental Health**. In addition to Margaret Trudeau's plenary and the AFMC Learner Forum which will focus on promoting wellness among learners, a Strategic Policy Forum on **Facing Canada's Mental Health Crisis through a Systems, a Patient, and a Physician Lens** is being held on Monday afternoon, featuring Louise Bradley, President and CEO of the Mental Health Commission of Canada. The session also includes speakers Stephanie Reidy, Dr. Maria Alexiadis and Dr. Pamela Forsythe, and will be moderated by Dr. Margaret Steele, Dean, Faculty of Medicine (Memorial University of Newfoundland)

News from the Distributed Medical Education Network - welcome Dr. Mohamed Ravalia

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Mohamed Ravalia into his new role as the AFMC Liaison with the AAMC Group on Regional Medical Campuses (GRMC) to replace Dr. Gerry Cooper. We would like to thank Dr. Cooper for his contributions to strengthening the ties between the AFMC Distributed Medical Education Network and the GRMC.

Dr. Ravalia is a Family Physician in Twillingate, NL. He is the Senior Physician in a group academic practice serving a catchment population of 6,000. He is the Assistant Dean of the Rural Medical Education Network at Memorial University, Vice Chair of the NAC3 Group at the Medical Council of Canada, and a Board member for the Atlantic Provinces Medical Peer Review Group. He is also a member of the GRMC Planning Committee and a 2016 recipient of the Order of Canada.

In Case You Missed It

[Medical students who don't match through CaRMS: "It's like a scarlet letter"](#), by Dafna Izenberg, Seema Marwaha & Joshua Tepper, March 22, 2018, Healthy Debate

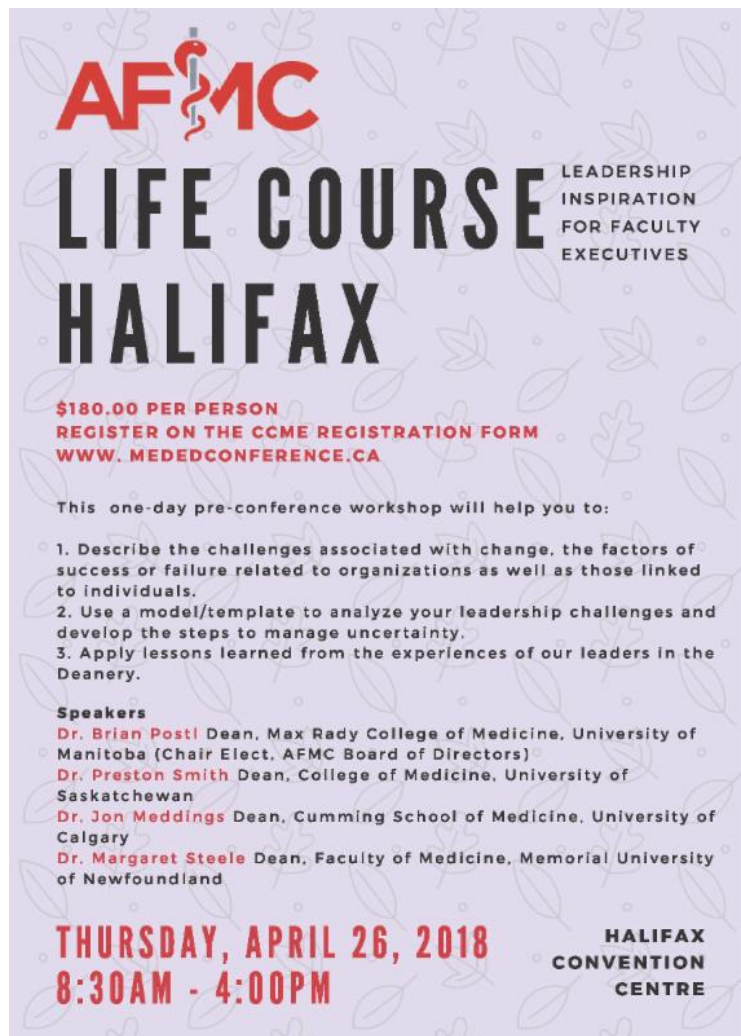
[Medicine changing as women make up more of physician workforce](#), by Wendy Glauser, March 8, 2018, CMAJ News

[Medical schools put under the lens](#), by Zosia Bielski, March 6, 2018, The Globe and Mail

[Over 500 Canadian doctors protest raises](#), by Catherine Clifford, March 6, 2018, CNBC Make It

Happy Birthday AFMC

AFMC is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year!



The poster features the AFMC logo at the top left, with the text 'LIFE COURSE HALIFAX' in large, bold, black letters. To the right of the title, it says 'LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION FOR FACULTY EXECUTIVES'. Below the title, it states '\$180.00 PER PERSON REGISTER ON THE CCME REGISTRATION FORM WWW.MEDEDCONFERENCE.CA'. A list of three bullet points describes the workshop's goals: 1. Describe challenges of change, 2. Use a model/template to analyze leadership challenges, and 3. Apply lessons from leaders. A 'Speakers' section lists Dr. Brian Postl, Dr. Preston Smith, Dr. Jon Meddings, and Dr. Margaret Steele. At the bottom, it specifies the date and time: 'THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018 8:30AM - 4:00PM' and the location: 'HALIFAX CONVENTION CENTRE'. The background is light purple with a pattern of white leaves.

AFMC-AMS J Wendell MacLeod Memorial Lecture

Saturday, April 28, 2018, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Room C1-C2A, Convention Hall Level

Celebrated Canadian Mental Health Advocate, **Margaret Trudeau**, will be bringing her formidable life story to the stage in her quest to help others, sharing her message of resilience with the goal of inspiring others and erasing the stigma surrounding mental health issues in the opening plenary, **Changing My Mind**.



We look forward to sharing a collection of reflections with you this spring to commemorate this important moment in AFMC history. Stay tuned for further details about our celebrations!

CAPER Update

Check out the new fact sheet by the Canadian Post-MD Education Repository on [IMGs passing Medical Council of Canada exams](#)

Announcements

Call for Abstracts for the International Conference on Physician Health, co-hosted by the CMA, in Toronto, October 11-13, 2018. Deadline: March 31, 2018.

[Find out more](#)

Société Santé en français is hosting a webinar on March 28, 2018: « Guide de pratiques d'accueil communautaire : Faciliter l'intégration des étudiants et professionnels de la santé bilingues ». [Sign up](#)

Call for nominations - Prix de l'ambassadeur du français Jacques-Boulay : The deadline is May 11, 2018. [Find out more](#)

Canadian Association of Radiologists' Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM), Artificial Intelligence in Radiology: Present and Future: April 26-29, 2018.

[Find out more](#)

Canadian Society for Breast Imaging Inaugural Conference: April 26, 2018. [Find out more](#)

The CAGP-CCSMH 2018 Annual Scientific Meeting will be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia at the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel from October 12 to 13, 2018 and it will be preceded by a one-day Pre-Conference Course in geriatric psychiatry on October 11, 2018. [Find out more](#)



Electives: Friend or Foe in Preparing for Residency?

Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., in the CCME Partners' lounge

Hosted by **Drs Glen Bandiera** (PG Committee) and **Rob Whyte** (UG Committee), this **Conversational Café** session will set the stage for a vigorous and provocative discussion of the role of electives in preparing for the residency match. Should they be counted? Should students be limited to one per discipline? How do we preserve them for personal development and not auditions? How can students maximize certainty around career choices? Come and hear experts from both UG and PG share their thoughts, and come prepared to share your own!

AFMC Learner Forum

Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., room A2-A3, Argyle Level and Atrium

At this year's AFMC Learner Forum, representatives from the four major learner organizations will discuss "**Promoting Wellness among Learners: From Damage Control to Upstream Approaches**". Moderated by AFMC VP Education, Dr. Sarita Verma, the Forum will feature speakers **Dr. Melanie Bechard** from Resident Doctors of Canada, **Mr. Henry Annan** from the Canadian

Federation of Medical Students, **Mr. Samuel Bergeron** from the Fédération médicale étudiante du Québec and **Dr. Christopher Lemieux** from the Fédération des médecins residents du Québec.

Education Innovation Symposium

Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. room C1-C2A, Convention Hall Level

The Education Innovation Symposium this year will focus on the **Learner Education Handover project and easing the transition for Canadian Medical Students from Undergraduate to Postgraduate Medical Education**. The session will feature Dr. Leslie Nickell (University of Toronto), Dr. Margo Mountjoy (McMaster University), Ms. Kaylynn Purdy (Canadian Federation of Medical Students) and Dr. Aliya Kassam (Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary).

2018 AFMC & CAPER Forum

Sunday, April 29, 2018, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm, room 506, Ballroom Level

The purpose of the workshop is to update the medical community on CAPER activities and AFMC's data visioning exercise and future plans. We welcome feedback on which issues of the day are best informed by our rich datasets spanning information on aspirants to medical school, undergraduate and postgraduate education as well as practice location patterns. For further information, please contact Lynda Buske at lbuske@caper.ca

CACMS Workshop for Schools Preparing for Accreditation Visits

Saturday, April 28, 2018, from 13:00 p.m. to 16:00 p.m., room 103, Convention Hall Level

Is your medical school getting ready for an upcoming accreditation visit? This workshop, hosted by Dr. Danielle Blouin, Secretary to the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools, will help you be better prepared. For further information, contact claudine@afmc.ca.

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