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### **New AFMC Board Members**

The AFMC is pleased to welcome four new board members this fall: Dr. Dominique Dorion, doyen de la Faculté de médecine et des sciences de la santé, Université de Sherbrooke, Dr. Bernard Jasmin, Interim Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ottawa, Dr. Pierre J. Durand, doyen par intérim de la Faculté de médecine, Université Laval, and Ms Anne McFarlane, AFMC's new Public Board Member.

AFMC is sincerely grateful to Mr. Graham Scott, our departing Public Board Member, for his nine years of dedicated service and his significant contribution to our Board.

### **Franco Doc**

Through our [Franco Doc](#) project - which aims to support mobilizing students in Francophone minority communities - AFMC is now preparing activities and webinars for Francophone and Francophile learners across Canada. Stay tuned!

### **New MCAT® Fee Assistance Program for Canadians**

The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC) are piloting a new fee assistance program for Canadian examinees in financial need who register for the Medical College Admission Test® (MCAT®) during the 2018 testing year.

The AAMC and AFMC are pleased to support Canadian MCAT examinees through this program. Canadian applicants who qualify will receive reduced scheduling, rescheduling, and cancellation rates for the 2018 and 2019 testing years. Canadian examinees will be able to register for an MCAT exam date through this pilot fee assistance program beginning on February 1, 2018.

**Apply for MCAT Fee Assistance beginning November 1, 2017. To learn more about the benefits, eligibility criteria, and application process, visit [www.afmc.ca/en/mcat-fee-assistance-program](http://www.afmc.ca/en/mcat-fee-assistance-program)**

Get in touch with the Franco Doc Faculty-Community liaison committee at your faculty for more details, or contact [pleblanc@afmc.ca](mailto:pleblanc@afmc.ca).



### In Case You Missed It

[The Rising Challenge of Training Physician-Scientists: Recommendations From a Canadian National Consensus Conference](#) in *Academic Medicine*

The latest on our President's blog: [Giving thanks](#)

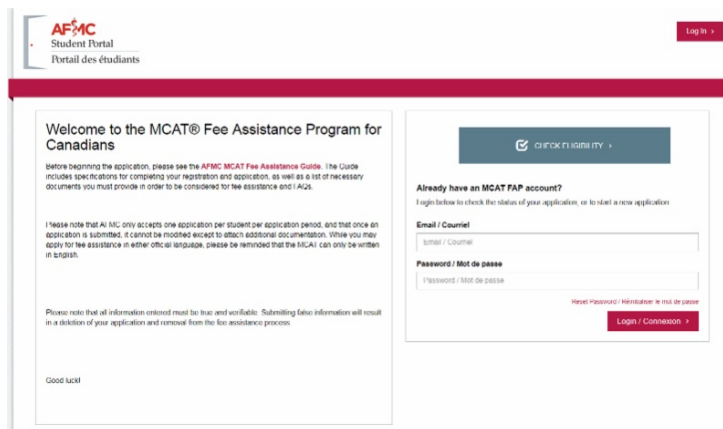
### Announcements

Our very own VP Education, Dr. Sarita Verma, recently gave the University of Ottawa, Department of Medicine prestigious [Ian Hart Lecture](#) on the Metamorphosis of Medical Education. She is also the recipient of the [2016 Mickles award](#) at the University of Toronto for innovation and leadership in medical education. Congratulations Dr. Verma!

The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) celebrated its 75th anniversary at its most recent annual meeting "LCME Accreditation: Setting a Course for the Future", held earlier this month in Chicago.



Pictured left to right are Dr. Darrell Kirch, President & CEO of the Association of American Colleges of



### About the MCAT:

The MCAT, developed and administered by the AAMC, is a computer-based standardized examination for prospective medical students in the United States and Canada. It is designed to assess problem solving, critical thinking, and knowledge of natural, behavioural, and social science concepts and principles prerequisite to the study of medicine. Find out which Canadian Faculties of Medicine require the test as part of their admission requirements in the AFMC [Admission Requirements of Canadian Faculties of Medicine](#) publication.

### Canada Health Infoway

AFMC and Canada Health Infoway are currently enhancing the AFMC - Infoway eHealth Faculty Development [Toolkit](#) - a publicly accessible online eHealth repository for medical educators. The toolkit now contains over forty additional resources, numerous self-directed learning modules designed to present medical educators with clinically relevant material as well as helpful tips on how to integrate eHealth/medical informatics into their teaching. Be on the lookout in 2018 for the launch of a new, easier platform for the toolkit with additional resources in French.

AFMC was proud to receive a plaque on Monday, October 16, 2017 for the 2017 Ted Freedman Innovation in Education Award in recognition of its collaborative ehealth initiative with [Canada Health Infoway](#), the [Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada](#) (AFPC) and the [Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing](#) (CASN).



Pictured from left to right are Dr. Geneviève Moineau, President & CEO of AFMC, Dr. Michael J. Strong, Chair of the AFMC Board, Ms. Anne Fazzalari from Canada Health Infoway, and Mr. Philippe Leblanc from AFMC.

Medicine (AAMC) and Dr. Geneviève Moineau, President & CEO of the AFMC.

The 2018 Medical Council of Canada Research in Clinical Assessment grant competition is now open: <http://mcc.ca/research-and-development/research-grants/research-clinical-assessment>

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) invites nominations for its 2018 CMA Awards: <https://www.cma.ca/En/Pages/cma-awards.aspx>

VI International Congress of Medical Education, June 12-16, 2018 in Mazatlan, Sinaloa, Mexico: Save the date! <http://www.eventos-amfem.mx/index.php/en/>

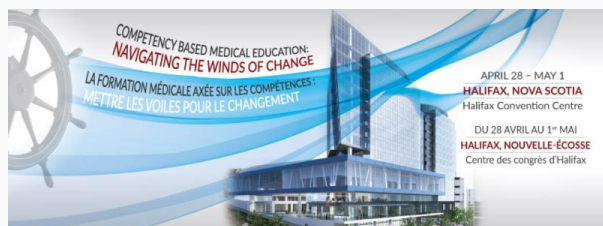
The call for applications for TUTOR-PHC (Transdisciplinary Understandings and Training on Research - Primary Health Care) is open to graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, mid-career clinicians, and decision makers in primary health care: [www.uwo.ca/fam/med/csfm/tutor-phc](http://www.uwo.ca/fam/med/csfm/tutor-phc)

The Canadian Conference on Medical Education team is proud to welcome back Chriss Holloway as Interim Conference Manager and Amelia Hagen as Conference Coordinator, as well as welcome new member Cindy Wennekes for its 2018 edition.



Join us in Halifax, NS, April 28-May 1, 2018 for [CCME 2018](#) Competency Based Medical Education: Navigating the Winds of Change.

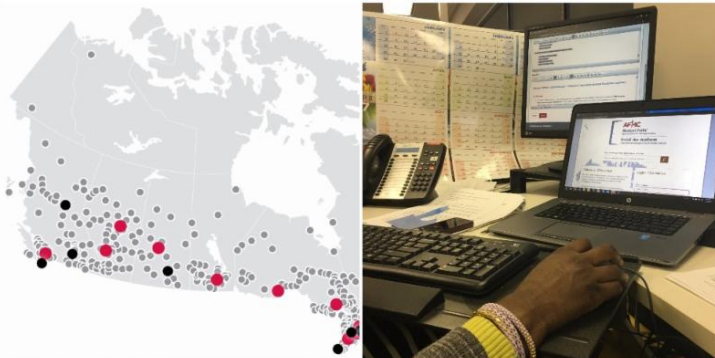
Organizing an event? Submit your Event Request Form by Nov. 27, 2017: <https://www.mededconference.ca/meeting-request-form>



## AFMC Student Portal Update

The AFMC is collaborating with medical students, undergraduate deans and the AFMC Electives Network to create a series of tools for students on visiting electives. The resources will address a range of topics including the role of the visiting electives in the pathways to practice, planning, setting expectations, timelines, and tips on how to prepare and use the AFMC Student Portal. Many other resources are available for students including the [Nuts and Bolts of the AFMC Student Portal](#) and [how to apply videos](#).

The [2018 Immunization and Testing Form](#) is coming November 21th. All students preparing to apply for electives in January 2018 will be required to apply using the new form. AFMC is recommending schools accept the old forms until January 10, 2018, to help students applying in November and December 2017.



# Student Portal

Opening doors to visiting electives

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# Portail des étudiants

Une porte ouverte pour les étudiants

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