GERIATRIC MEDICINE at the University of Toronto

Dr. Paula Rochon Named Inaugural RTO/ERO Chair in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Toronto



Together, with the Retired Teachers of Ontario, the Division is incredibly proud to share in the announcement that Paula Rochon has been recognized as a leader in her field and appointed as the inaugural Chair. Appointed to a 5-year term, in this role Paula will champion training of geriatricians to advance knowledge and evidence to inform the care of the aging population.

The RTO/ERO has demonstrated astounding commitment to aging Ontarions and as a support of the Division. This Chair position was established following 3 years of tireless fundraising and an international search competition.

Congratulations, Paula!

5th Annual Boot Camp and Division BBQ

On July 14th, new and returning residents participated in the 4th Annual Boot Camp education day that was organized by current co-Chief resident Jennifer Watt. The all-day event featured presentations on key geriatrics topics by faculty (Camilla Wong, Karen Ng, Dov Gandell) and concluded with the Division BBQ that was hosted at The Estates of Sunnybrook's MacLean House.

There were special presentations at this year's BBQ to celebrate the naming of The Barry J. Goldlist Teacher of the Year Award and the 2014-2015 faculty recipient, Karen Ng. Both Barry's and Karen's families were on hand to share in the occasion.



Upcoming Events

- **Executive Committee** (Wed, Aug 26; 5:30pm via teleconference)
- Journal Club (Fri, Aug 28; 8:00am-9:30am via teleconference)
- **Baycrest Rounds** "Approach to Multimorbidity: a balance of competing interests", Jennifer Watt (Thurs, Sept 17; 12pm-1pm); OTN TSM# 47202965
- **RPC** (Wed, Sept 30; 5:30pm via teleconference)
- **Executive Committee** (Wed, Oct 28; 5:30pm via teleconference)
- MSH/UHN Geriatrics Update Event flyer (Fri, Oct 30-Sat Oct 31; Michener Institute Auditorium)

Annual Division Retreat (Wed, Nov 25; 1:15pm-5:15pm, dinner to follow)

Annual Retreat: Competency-based Medical Education and Ambulatory Care (November 25, 2015)



At this year's annual Retreat, presenters will speak to research and evidence surrounding ambulatory care and implementation of the Royal College's multi-year Competence by Design (CBD) initiative; key division updates will also be shared. Guests include Drs. Linda

Snell (RCPSC), Scott Berry (Oncology) and Camille Tessier-Bussieres.

Scheduled as an afternoon half-day (Nov 25), the event will bring together division members and trainees to learn from colleagues and will conclude with a networking reception and dinner.

Additional information, including venue announcement and RSVP details, will be circulated via email.

Promoting Healthy Brain Aging and Preventing Dementia: Research and Translation (May 24-27, 2016)

Campus Alberta Neuroscience will host international experts this coming Spring at The Fairmont Banff Springs to share knowledge and updates related to research and



translational tools to promote the prevention, detection, intervention and management of dementia and cognitive aging.

Topics promise to generate rich discussion on key themes: delaying onset of dementia, vascular contributions to cognitive impairment, risk factors, diagnostics, interventions and updates on applied research.

Event details are posted here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Division congratulates **Vicky Chau** and her husband who wed on Saturday, May 23. Vicky, a graduate of the University of Toronto Geriatric Medicine program, was also appointed as the Mount Sinai-University Health Network hospitals Site Director and officially began in this role at the outset of the academic year.



FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

To access recent publications from your colleagues, click link below:

Faculty Publications (May-August 2015)

Feature Article:

Room transfers and the risk of delirium incidence amongst hospitalized elderly medical patients: a case-control study.

Goldberg A, **Straus SE**, Hamid JS, **Wong CL**. BMC Geriatr. 2015 Jun 25;15:69. doi: 10.1186/s12877-015-0070-8.

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Have an upcoming event or announcement to share with the division? Send details to: liis-ann.klein@sunnybrook.ca