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Department Head Message

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Dr. Ed Homada, Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Dr. Sonja McVeigh, Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Dr. Masis Perk, Division of General Internal Medicine

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Two funding categories:
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  o Competency-based education
  o Transitions in training and career, e.g., medical student to resident, junior resident to senior resident, senior resident to staff
• Mentorship
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“Our role is to support the divisions and service areas to deliver high-quality multidisciplinary care through evidence based decision making. To do that, we are working to establish an interconnected structure whereby all divisions have quality processes in place,” says Dr. Stewart. “We have an oversight and mediator role whereas the hands-on quality work happens at the division and service level.”

Specifically, the committee’s work includes reviewing NSHA and Canadian Institute for Health Information data and reports to identify challenges, opportunities, and success stories; initiating reviews at quality issues arise; supporting implementation of Choosing Wisely; and helping to establish division-specific quality processes.

It has also facilitated specific quality projects such as establishing evidence based decision tools; creating clinical guidelines; and helping to establish division-specific quality processes.

“Quality is all about the patients,” says Dr. Stewart. “Our work has been gaining momentum over the last year and now is at the forefront of quality projects such as establishing guidelines; and helping to establish division-specific quality processes.”

Ina Cummings Award
The Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA) recognized Dr. Rob Horton, Division of Palliative Medicine, with the 2015 Ina Cummings Award. The award is given to a CHPCA member who exemplifies professional or personal commitment and achievement in the field of hospice palliative care in Canada. Dr. Horton has served on the board of directors of the Halifax Hospice Society and continues to advocate for establishment of robust community and residential hospice care in Nova Scotia.

RIM in Action: Summer Studentships

There are 17 medical students participating in research projects in areas across the Department this summer. The studentships are part of the Faculty of Medicine’s Research in Medicine (RIM) program, which was initiated in 2013, and are made possible through the generosity of donors who have established endowed funds for medical and research education. These donors donated the number of faculty in the Department of Medicine as well as the department’s University Internal Medicine Research Foundation.

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Spring Party Recap
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RESIDENT AWARDS

In addition to our faculty acknowledgements, members of the resident group were recognized for their contributions over the academic year:

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