

## UPDATE ON GLOBAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES IN THE DEPARTMENT

### North End Clinic & Mobile Outreach Street Health

Together with the North End Community Health Centre (NECHC), we continue to hold a monthly North End Clinic. Dr. Melissa Brooks and Dr. Elizabeth Randle, along with residents provide care there to a population of patients that might otherwise have difficulty accessing care.



North End  
**COMMUNITY  
HEALTH CENTRE**

Mobile Outreach Street Health (MOSH) is a program of the NECHC, established in 2007. Access to the existing health care system is difficult and even impossible to access for many people living on the margins of society. MOSH aims to meet people in spaces where there is a greater level of comfort, take primary health care to them, establish relationships and build trust as a means to improve their health outcomes.



We are working on a partnership with MOSH to provide opportunities for residents to ride along with the MOSH team on a mobile clinic. This will be on a volunteer basis and will be an educational opportunity where residents will observe and will not be providing care. We had hoped to start this as early as April or May, but due to the third COVID-19 wave, this has been put on hold for the time being but can hopefully be started soon.

Residents who are interested in this experience are encouraged to contact Heather Scott or Elise Sammons.

### Elective Opportunity at the IWK



The Department of ObsGyn is pleased to announce that Dr. Kwaku Agyepong Doffour-Dapaah has been selected as the next resident from Korle Bu Teaching Hospital to come to the IWK Health Centre for an elective. Dr. Doffour-Dapaah is a senior resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology from Korle Bu Teaching Hospital.

Dr. Doffour-Dapaah's elective was initially postponed due to the global pandemic, but we are pleased to announce that we are planning for his elective in for April-May 2022. We will have more details to share about his elective next year, but for now we are very excited to be working with him to organize all the details of his upcoming visit.



### Phoenix

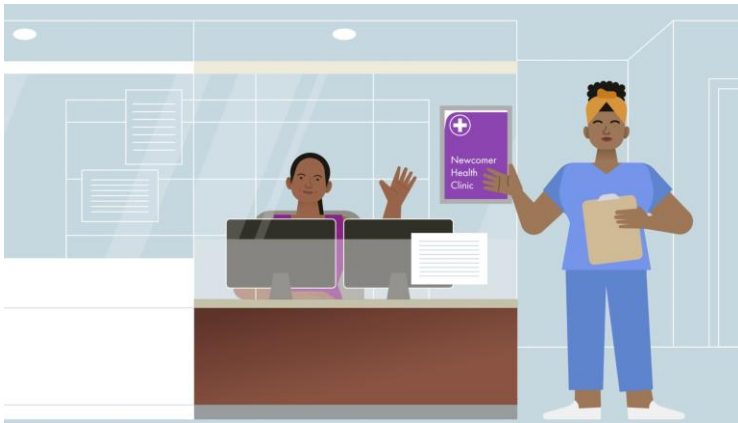
We plan to offer educational sessions about various topics related to sexual and reproductive health to youth in our community through a partnership with Phoenix.

Phoenix is a non-profit, community-based organization that is dedicated to supporting youth between the ages of 11 and 24, their families and communities across multiple locations in Halifax. Plans for these sessions were put on hold for the last year due to complications caused by the pandemic, but we have stayed in contact with Phoenix and hope to be able to begin planning again soon. If you are interested in contributing to these sessions, please contact Heather Scott or Elise Sammons.



## UPDATE ON ADVOCATING FOR NEWCOMERS' REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

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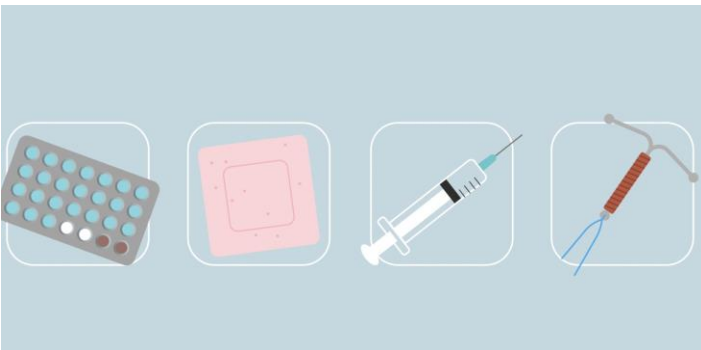
We have begun interviews for our Advocating for Newcomers' Reproductive Rights research project. The interviews have been going really well, and we hope to complete them over the next few weeks. We will then begin working on analyzing the data and reporting our findings.

We have also completed our animated teaching video. The animation is currently available in English, Farsi, Arabic and French. We are working on finding volunteers to convert the animation into additional languages. Once completed, we will transfer the animation onto tablets

which will be available at the Well Woman Clinic for patients to watch in advance of their appointment. We are pleased to share some screenshots from the video in this newsletter.

We believe that this resource or something similar could present an exciting opportunity to normalize and explain the female health encounter/exam for other areas of the department and beyond!

We will continue to keep you updated with our progress.



## INTRODUCING: THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR GLOBAL HEALTH

In March 2021, the membership of the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research and the Canadian Society for International Health voted to amalgamate and create the **Canadian Association for Global Health (CanGlobal Health)**. We will share details about the new organization when they are available.

### GLOBAL HEALTH EVENTS:

#### Speak Truth to Power Series

Human Rights & Equity Services at Dalhousie University has hosted a series of online events related to equity and human rights. Though most of them are not health-care specific, they are valuable resources for learning more about systemic racism and other issues of discrimination in Nova Scotia. Links to the YouTube videos of the sessions can be found [here](#).

#### Canadian Conference on Global Health: Rethinking Partnership Paradigms in Global Health

Ottawa, ON & Virtual Wednesday, November 24, 2021 to Friday, November 26, 2021

*The call for abstracts is currently open with a deadline of June 23<sup>rd</sup>.*