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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF MEDICINE

I hope that many of you are away on the ski slopes, cross country trails or staycationing with device time minimized. For those of you holding down the fort during **March Break**- thank you! Your colleagues and patients appreciate your service.

DOM Council met on March 3rd (blame the guy from Ontario for scheduling the meeting during Quebec March Break). Among items discussed were:

- 1) **Early Career Faculty Survey:** Dr. Malhamé, our EC DOM elected representative, provided an overview of a “Taking the Pulse” survey (will be detailed in upcoming DOM weekly);
- 2) **Evaluation update:** Tenure Track anomaly/merit upgrade process completed, CAS clinical staff process underway, Division Director process starting;
- 3) DOM leaders **Crucial Conversations** course Apr 30/May1st;
- 4) **Education/Advancement Year 1 priorities** and;
- 5) **Mentorship program pilot** (coming soon).

Major milestone for DOM's Five Associate Chairs → off to a great start!



I am pleased to report that DOM Council (our *Parliament*) has ratified the Year 1 objectives presented by all five Associate Chairs. The priorities are detailed in DOM council minutes but a highlight or 2 are shown below:

Congratulations to:

Dr. Bitton (Associate Chair Advancement): Establish McGill wide DOM academic enhancement programs with local partner institution support (e.g. Young Stars (early career investigator) e.g. patient safety grants program)

Dr. Chen-Tournoux (Associate Chair Education): Establish a post-Faculty retirement teaching/mentorship program, common DOM wide half-day curriculum, McGill-wide DOM MGRs)

Dr. Dayan (Associate Chair Wellness): DOM Mentorship program pilot

Dr. Kahn (Associate Chair Research): Environmental scan to develop programming to support our scientist pipeline (trainee to early career to FRQS supported to tenure track for clinicians)

Dr. McDonald (Associate Chair Quality & Safety): McGill DOM wide Patient Safety grants competition

Congratulations to Dr. Todd Lee

Dr. Todd Lee is the recipient of the **2021 Dr. John M. Embil Mentorship Award in Infectious Diseases** by the Canadian Foundation for Infectious Diseases. The award recognizes a member of the Association of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Disease Canada who has inspired interest and excitement in the field of Infectious Diseases. Recipients of this award have demonstrated exceptional leadership and have distinguished themselves by being outstanding role models and mentors for trainees in the field of Infectious Diseases.

Congratulations to Dr. Nitika Pai

Dr Nitika Pai is the recipient of a CIHR grant – through the COVID envelope - to develop a digital self-testing strategy for COVID, called "COV2Smart!" The evaluation of the app will be conducted in South Africa and India.

Continuous Support for Residents

We will be consulting the Chief Medical Residents on how to disburse the remaining monies raised by DOM members through a previous McGill 24 fundraising effort. Stay tuned!

Should you wish to make additional, personal donations in this year's McGill 24 fundraising campaign and earmark them for residents, please do so!
<https://www.alumni.mcgill.ca/give/index.php?currency=CAD&amount=&allocations=00648-07951-07411-07733-07861-02116-02115-04152-03497-05537-06631-07509-07317-05726-06834-SORTED&formlang=>

Best,
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