Hi Everyone

This week’s Departmental Acknowledgement goes to Evelyn Constantin and is the first in what will be a series of three that will highlight recent successes in promotion to Associate Professor in the Faculty of Medicine.

A graduate of McGill and our residency training program Evelyn represents a true academic ‘triple threat”. Evelyn is a respected clinician with advanced expertise in pediatric sleep disorders who attends on the wards, in the clinics and the sleep lab. Evelyn exemplifies in every way the core values of physician-ship and professionalism serving as a role model to learners and colleagues.

Evelyn also is an accomplished researcher. She has a solid record of academic productivity advancing a clinical research program targeting sleep disorders. She has made some seminal observations in this under-appreciated area and I am personally pleased to see that she is now directing some of her efforts to delineating the scope of these problems in children with neurodevelopmental disabilities. She has a track record of funding success and has received external salary support awards from the FRSQ and now holds a Chercheur-Boursier Clinicien Award (Junior 2). She has also been admitted to membership in the highly competitive Society for Pediatric Research.

Evelyn is also extremely vested in pedagogic activities at a number of levels and in some novel and innovative ways. She has co-ordinated the Department’s key ongoing CME activity of Grand Rounds since November 2011. At the PGME level she has contributed to our training program as a member of the Residency Selection Committee and the Residency Training Committee. She is a ready and willing mentor to trainees engaged in their own research efforts. Particularly noteworthy contributions of Evelyn’s were her key involvement in the Residents for Healthy Living (RHALY) initiative and in the Canadian Child Health Clinician Scientist Program as the McGill site Director. Through this latter participation she has developed a now nationally available curriculum in academic skills and research training entitled the Pediatric Health Research Epidemiology Statistics CurriculA (PHRESCA). For this extensive commitment to education, Evelyn was selected to the Faculty Honour Roll for Educational Excellence last year.

Throughout the multiplicity of activities described above, Evelyn always conducts herself with grace, charm, warmth and a sense of humor. Please join me in congratulating Evelyn on her personal accomplishment, which is a significant milestone on her professional journey.

Have a great weekend

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