Hi Everyone.

This week’s Departmental Acknowledgement was brought to my attention by Tiscar Cavalle-Garrido a member of our Division of Pediatric Cardiology. I am a great believer in our personal obligation to engage in philanthropy if we are successful and fortunate. Indeed a comment that I once heard a long time ago that has remained with me is that: “Philanthropy is the rent one’s pays for success”.

On Saturday October 13th, members of our cardiac program came together and participated in Courir 6H. This fundraising event is organized by En Coeur, Fondation québécoise pour les enfants malades du Coeur, to provide financial support to families with children with congenital heart disease. Together and with the generous donations of members of the Departments of Pediatrics and Pediatric Surgery they surpassed their fundraising goal.

The participants included:
Dr. Gabriel Altit, Neonatology  
Dr. Tiscar Cavallé-Garrido, Cardiology  
Dr. Adrian Dancea, Cardiology  
Marie-Josée Guy, RN, Cardiology  
Matthew Park, MSW, Pediatric Intensive Care  
Dr. Claudia Renaud, Cardiology  
Charlene Richards, Medical Secretary, Cardiology  
Lise Sauve, Echocardiography Technologist, Cardiology  
Christiane Turgeon, Echocardiography Technologist, Cardiology  
Pamela Zanoqui, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory Nurse  
Michele Zegray, RN, Cardiology  
Magdalena Zgolka, Electrophysiology Technologist, Cardiology

A nice photo of the happy group decked out in red (what else?) is included below.

This must have been a great team building experience that was win-win for participants and beneficiaries. I would encourage other groups and programs within our Departmental community to engage in such beneficial activities. Pick a cause that matters to you and then make a difference.

Congrats to our Pediatric Cardiac Group for their effort and thanks to all those who supported them.

Have a great weekend everyone!

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