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Hi everyone,

This month the DAs will highlight research achievement and excellence.

The DA this week goes to **Delphine Collin-Vézina**.

Delphine holds the Department's Nicolas Steinmetz and Gilles Julien Chair in Social Pediatrics in the Community and is an Associate Member of our Division of General Pediatrics with an academic appointment as an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work as a CRC Tier II Chair. Delphine has a health professions background as clinical psychologist.



Delphine has been recently awarded a \$2.5 million SSHRC Partnership Grant as PI. This grant, to run over 7 years, is to set up and operate the Canadian Consortium on Child Trauma and Trauma-Informed Care. This Partnership unites under Delphine's direction 39 co-applicants, 18 collaborators, and 43 partner organizations from across Canada. This consortium aims to improve the quality of life and trajectories of trauma-impacted children and youth by expanding social responses to child trauma across provinces, linguistic and service sectors, disciplines, and mandates. In the midst of the turbulent times we are facing, it seems that further work in the area of psychological trauma will soon be more important than ever. The focus of the grant aligns well with our Department's long-established commitment in social pediatrics, both clinical and educational perspectives, and now adds an important complimentary research piece.

Please join me in congratulating Delphine on her recent funding success. I have no doubt that these dollars are well directed and will improve outcomes for our most vulnerable children and youth.

Have a great weekend everyone!

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