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On the occasion of his retirement from practice, this week I would like to acknowledge the major contributions of Dr. Daniel Faucher over the past 32 years. Dr. Faucher graduated from medical school at the Université de Sherbrooke in 1978. Following an internship at U. Laval, he gradually worked his way across the province to the MCH. He spent the first year of his pediatric residency at CHUL in Quebec City, the second year and half of the third year at Ste. Justine, and then his final half year at the MCH. Upon completion of his general pediatric residency, he went to Dallas, Texas to train in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine. He was hired on faculty at University of Texas Southwestern, where he worked for 3 years before



being lured back to the MCH in 1989. He served as the Director of the Division of Neonatology at the RVH from 2008 to 2012, and has served as the Associate Director of the MUHC Division of Neonatology since 2012.

Early in his career Dr. Faucher held a salary award from the FRQS and an operating grant from the Medical Research Council of Canada (the CIHR of the day). He continued to contribute his energy and expertise to research throughout his career. Dr. Faucher has trained hundreds of medical students, residents, and fellows over the course of his long career. He also made a major difference in the lives of countless infants and their families.

Anyone who has had the pleasure of interacting with Dr. Faucher, whether in the NICU, in an educational setting, or on one of the many committees in which he participated, will agree that he is truly a gentleman and a scholar. He never hesitates to take time from his extremely busy rounds to discuss cases and difficult problems with consultants. He has taught us all how to be truly collaborative.

While Dr. Faucher is retiring from the demanding work of Neonatology, I am pleased to note that trainees will continue to benefit from his wisdom, humour, and knowledge through the H-KAP Scholars program. Congratulations to Dr. Faucher for a very successful career and best wishes for a long, restful, and enjoyable retirement.

Have a great weekend.

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