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One of the important roles of academic physicians is to participate in national and international societies, working with others across the country and around the world to advance care for our patients and advocate for the interests of children. When members of our department lead committees, or participate in writing clinical practice guidelines or other educational documents this reflects well on our institution, and may attract trainees and future faculty. This week, I would like to highlight the work within the Canadian Pediatric Society (CPS) of three fulltime members of the department and one part-time member.



In the past year, Dr. Hema Patel was the Section President for Complex Care, leading many important initiatives through this committee. Dr. Ana Sant'Anna Chaired the Nutrition and Gastroenterology Committee at CPS. Dr. Laurel Kimoff contributed to the writing of a CPS document, "Managing an acute asthma exacerbation in children". Finally, Dr. Carl Cummings contributed to the writing of a CPS document, "Dietary exposures and allergy prevention in high-risk infants". These volunteer contributions to a national organization are an important part of the academic role of faculty members. I would like to thank Drs. Patel, Sant'Anna, Kimoff, and Cummings for their important work with the CPS and congratulate them on their accomplishments.

Have a great weekend.

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