Dear Staff, Trainees, and Faculty

It is with great pleasure that I announce and acknowledge the award recipients for the 2021 Department of Paediatrics Awards Day Celebration. Although our current environment has not granted the opportunity for an in-person celebration, this in no way diminishes the many remarkable achievements across the Department of Paediatrics.

The Departmental awards acknowledge tremendous accomplishments across the spectrum of our research, education, administration, and clinical care activities. While the criterion for each award is as unique as each individual award recipient, there is a clear common thread – a deep and unwavering commitment to excellence.

Please join me in congratulating our 2021 award recipients and give thanks to everyone across the Department who, despite a year of unprecedented challenges and uncertainty, continued to exemplify a transformative influence on the health of children and youth.

Congratulations!

Meredith
DR. ELIZABETH HARVEY & DR. VICKY NG

Dr. Richard Rowe Award
Recognizes physicians who have demonstrated excellence in the delivery of clinical care in its broadest sense over a significant period of time.

DR. RESHMA AMIN

Junior Faculty Award for Clinical Excellence
Recognizes physicians within the first 5-10 years of appointment to an Academic Health Science Centre.

DR. THOMAS WALTERS

Outstanding Clinical Contribution
Recognizes a paediatrician who has led an initiative in innovative care delivery systems, quality improvement, patient safety, advocacy, or other clinical endeavours.

RESEARCH AWARDS

DR. SUMIT GUPTA

Junior Physician Researcher
Recognizes outstanding achievements and progress in research by a physician during the first ten years after initial appointment to the faculty of an academic health sciences centre.

DR. STEVEN MILLER

Physician Researcher Award for Scientific Accomplishment
Recognizes a physician within 10-20 years of appointment to an academic health sciences centre, who has generated a body of research that is exerting a major impact in a field of study.
EDUCATION AWARDS

Undergraduate

**DR. LEAH TATTUM**

Lionel Weinstein Clerkship Teaching Award
Recognizes excellence in teaching and mentorship in the Paediatrics Clerkship.

**DR. KEVIN CHAN**

RHA Haslam Pre-Clerkship Teaching Award
Recognizes excellence in teaching and mentorship in the Paediatrics Preclerkship (Foundations) curriculum.

**DR. JOSHUA STANLEY**

Saunders Prize
Given in memory of Dr. Norman Saunders, who was a clinician's clinician and a general paediatrician for many years at the Hospital for Sick Children. Dr. Saunders was passionate about clinical care, particularly complex care. This award is given to a PGY-3 who demonstrates outstanding clinical skills, especially in the general paediatric arena.

**DR. EDDY LAU**

Marvin Gerstein Award
Recognizes a community-based paediatrician who has demonstrated long-standing excellence in both undergraduate and postgraduate education.

**DR. SHAUN MORRIS**

Harry Bain Award
A full-time member of the paediatric staff whom the residents select to be their best clinical teacher. This award is given in honour of Dr. Bain and his contribution to the Department of Paediatrics and his advocacy for child-health.

**DR. HEATHER YANG**

Community Paediatrics Clerkship Teaching Award
Awarded to a community-based paediatrician, not only for high scores in teaching evaluations from medical students, but also for substantial contributions and commitment to undergraduate medical education.
EDUCATION AWARDS

Postgraduate

DR. AHMAD BAKHSH

Christopher Ondaatje Award - PGY3
Award presented to a PGY3 resident in the core paediatric program who are selected by their peers to recognize teaching excellence. This award is made possible through a generous donation from Mr. Christopher Ondaatje.

DR. DESMOND SHE

Christopher Ondaatje Award - PGY4
Awards presented to a PGY4 resident in the core paediatric program who are selected by their peers to recognize teaching excellence. This award is made possible through a generous donation from Mr. Christopher Ondaatje.

DR. HARRY CHANDRAKUMARAN

The Inaugural Dr. Michael (Mickey) Lester Award - Core Resident
Recognizes outstanding performance in enhancing the patient and/or family experience in Paediatric care by a core paediatric resident.

DR. DEBORAH SCHONFELD

PeRLS Teaching Award - Faculty
Two awards, given to one faculty and one subspecialty resident/fellow, who are chosen by the core residents for their outstanding contributions to the PeRLS curriculum. This award can be given for individual stand alone sessions, as well as any one of the sub-curricula that exist within the larger curriculum. This year Dr. Schonfeld is chosen for her talk on Understanding genetic tests and approach to dysmorphology in genetics.

DR. MICHAEL FRIDMAN

PeRLS Teaching Award - Fellow
Two awards, given to one faculty and one subspecialty resident/fellow, who are chosen by the core residents for their outstanding contributions to the PeRLS curriculum. This award can be given for individual stand alone sessions, as well as any one of the sub-curricula that exist within the larger curriculum. This year Dr. Fridman is chosen for his session on Approach to Upper GI Disease for the Paediatrician.
EDUCATION AWARDS

Postgraduate

**DR. CATHERENCE PROULX**

The Inaugural Dr. Michael (Mickey) Lester Award - Subspecialty Resident/Clinical Fellow
Recognizes outstanding performance in enhancing the patient and/or family experience in Paediatric care by a subspecialty paediatric resident or clinical fellow.

**DR. KAROON DANAYAN**

Community Postgraduate Teaching Award
This award is given each year to a community-based paediatrician, not only for high scores in teaching evaluations from paediatric residents, but also for substantial contributions and commitment to Postgraduate Medical Education.

**DR. JULIA SORBARA**
**DR. PETER GILL**
**DR. MELINDA SOLOMON**
**DR. REBECCA LEVY**
**DR. ANNE FULLER**

POWER Teaching Award
Presented to our top postgraduate teachers, as reflected in their teaching evaluations from the Core Paediatric Residents.

**DR. JABEEN FAYYAZ**

Subspecialty Teaching Award
Recognizes educational excellence by a faculty member in the Department of Paediatrics, reflecting the special relationship that develops between a faculty teacher and trainees during the intense period of subspecialty training. Nominations are sought from subspecialty residents and fellows.

**RUNNER UP: DR. VY KIM**
Community Paediatrics Clerkship

Teaching Award

Awarded to a community-based paediatrician, not only for high scores in teaching evaluations from medical students, but also for substantial contributions and commitment to undergraduate medical education.

HEATHER YANG

EDUCATION AWARDS

Continuing Education

DR. JEREMY FRIEDMAN

Long Term Contribution to CME
Recognizes sustained exemplary teaching and contributions to the Continuing Professional Development of Paediatricians, specifically excellence in teaching, subject mastery, and the ability to engage learners.

DR. MARISSA JOSEPH

Teaching Excellence at a CME Event
Recognizes exemplary teaching at a CME event, specifically excellence in teaching, subject mastery and the ability to engage and inspire learners.

DR. SUSAN TALLETT AWARD

DR. RAYFEL SCHNEIDER

The Inaugural Dr. Susan Tallett Award
Recognizes a faculty member at any stage of their career who exemplifies a deep and abiding commitment to medical education and inspires compassionate teaching, learning and care.
ADMINISTRATIVE AWARD

KELLY SOBIE
Paediatric Administrative Award
Acknowledges the hard work and dedication of a staff member who has demonstrated outstanding performance and excellence in all aspects of their administrative professional role.

ADVOCACY & EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION AWARD

DR. LISA ROBINSON
The Inaugural Advocacy & Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Award
Recognizes recipients who develop and/or implement activities, programs, or research related to social justice and health equity that advance anti-racism initiatives and manifest our shared commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion into action.
It is with great pride and enthusiasm that we announce the promotion of 22 of our Department of Paediatrics' members who have been promoted based on demonstrated excellence in one or more of research, creative professional activity (CPA) or teaching and service. Through these activities, faculty members are recognized on the impact of their work as national (in the case of Associate Professor) and international (in the case of Full Professor) experts in their field. This year twenty-two distinguished faculty members were approved for Promotion by the University of Toronto Decanal Committee effective July 1, 2021, this academic year. We could not be more proud of their accomplishments and we are truly fortunate to have such incredibly talented, passionate and dedicated faculty who are making so many positive contributions in the world of paediatric academia. Please join us in congratulating your colleagues.

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