The Creative Professional Activity grant competition was introduced in 2005 to encourage and promote the clinical academic scholarship activity and careers of the members of the Department of Paediatrics at the Hospital for Sick Children. The competition is open to all clinical departmental faculty, priority being given to junior faculty whose roles involve a significant amount of clinical time. Faculty are encouraged to submit innovative research approaches to improving the scholarly care of patients, as well as clinically relevant projects that will have a direct impact on better care for our patients and families.

Successful grants over the last decade have a strong record of being published in high impact peer reviewed journals, being presented nationally and internationally, and leading to external funding for further in-depth work in the area of study. Most importantly these projects have resulted in many innovations in models of care and advances in practice with direct impact on children at SickKids and elsewhere.

**Virtual Care Section Winner**

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**PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE**
*Evaluation of a pediatric digital front door and urgent virtual care portal*

This study aims to describe the experiences of users, providers and organizational leaders in the initiation and subsequent usage of the Digital Front Door by Andor Healthcare. In evaluating all three user journeys through the DFD and collecting comprehensive demographic information for the study population, this project hopes to highlight equity in development of digital health. Recognizing the unique needs of pediatric caregivers, and exploring participant experiences, gives us the opportunity to be leaders in this form of digital health evaluation.