



APPHON/ROHPPA NEWSLETTER

Atlantic Provinces Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Network
Réseau d'Oncologie et Hématologie Pédiatrique des Provinces
Atlantiques

Board Executive:
Chair - Dr. Lynette Bowes

Our Vision

To facilitate access for Atlantic Province children and youth to comprehensive, current, effective, evidence-based hematologic/oncologic treatment delivered as close to home as safely feasible

Summer 2018

APPHON/ROHPPA Board Changes

The APPHON/ROHPPA Board of Directors has undergone some major changes, moving to a three representative per province model.

The Board would like to thank the members who have recently retired from the Board: Judy Clark, Kim Chapman, Jocelyn Vine and Peggy Wheaton. These Board members have been instrumental in the ongoing success of APPHON/ROHPPA and we look forward to continue to work with them to improve APPHON/ROHPPA in the future.

Welcome to new Board Members: Marjorie McGibbon, Pediatric Patient Navigator for Horizon Health Network; Dr. April MacPhee, Pediatrician at Prince County Hospital in Summerside, Dr. Natacha Hébert, Pediatrician at Dr. Georges du Mont Hospital in Moncton, and Gale Roberts BN, RN, CPON, Provincial Pediatric Oncology Nurse Coordinator at the Janeway Hospital in

Newfoundland; Stacy Burgess, Director of Children's Medical, Critical and Rehabilitation Services at the IWK Health Centre, as well as Dr. Heidi Budden, Pediatrician at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital.

A new board listing will appear on our website.

APPHON/ROHPPA Staff Changes

Deborah Parker, Levels of Care Coordinator, has returned to her position in Hematology/Oncology at the IWK Health Centre. She will continue to work on a casual basis for APPHON/ROHPPA. We will not say good-bye, but a huge thank you to Deb for all of her excellent work with APPHON/ROHPPA for the past two years.

Kristy MacDonnell, Administrative Assistant, has taken a brief leave from APPHON/ROHPPA to work in the Children's Oncology Group. We

anticipate her return to APPHON/ROHPPA in October.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Schoel Strang as Administrative Assistant who is filling the role while Kristy is on leave. Schoel can be reached via email, schoel.strang@iwk.nshealth.ca or by phone, (902) 470-3842.

Upcoming APHON Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Provider Course

The APHON Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Provider Course will be offered on **September 25 & 26th, 2018** at the IWK Health Centre. The registration deadline is **August 31**.

The registration form can be found on the APPHON/ROHPPA website at: <http://www.apphon-rohppa.com/en/system/files/documents/APHON%20brochure%20Apr%202018.pdf>

Save the Date

Our annual APPHON/ROHPPA Conference will be held **November 22, 23 and 24, 2018**. It is slightly later this year due to conflicts. Agenda to follow. Please forward all requests for topics to be presented to Carol: carol.digout@iwk.nshealth.ca

Guidelines

The *Guidelines for the Management of Chemotherapy Induced Nausea and Vomiting in Children with Cancer* has been updated and is now available on our website www.apphon-rohppa.com

APPHON/ROHPPA Guideline Committee

APPHON/ROHPPA has convened a guideline committee, to do among other activities; prioritize guidelines, form guideline specific working groups, develop scope needed for all provinces and receive feedback from guideline reviews. The committee is multi-provincial and multi-disciplinary. We are currently seeking a non-tertiary allied health member to join the committee. For those interested, please contact committee Chair, Tamara MacDonald: tamara.macdonald@iwk.nshealth.ca

Dr. Jack Hand Education Fund

Applications for educational funding through APPHON/ROHPPA's Dr. Jack Hand Educational Fund are now being accepted.

The application form can be found at www.apphon-rohppa.com
The deadline for applications is **June 30, 2018**.