



APPHON/ROHPPA Conference
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Meet Your Presenters



Thursday, May 12

Rare Blood

Dr. Lisa Goodyear, MD, FRCPC is a Pediatric Hematologist Oncologist at the Janeway Child Health and Rehabilitation Centre and a Clinical Assistant Professor (Pediatrics) with the Faculty of Medicine at Memorial University of Newfoundland. She completed her Medical School and Pediatrics training at Memorial University of Newfoundland and went on to complete her fellowship in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology/BMT at University of British Columbia.

Sexual Health On/After Treatment

Dr. Jesse Ory is a urologist with subspecialty training in male fertility and sexual medicine. He provides men's health care to individuals in the Atlantic Provinces and is an assistant professor at Dalhousie University. He completed his fellowship in andrology at the University of Miami in 2021. Prior to this, he completed medical school at UBC and Urology residency at Dalhousie. Dr Ory has published over 30 articles in the past 2 years, and has a special interest in fertility preservation, male infertility, and erectile dysfunction.

Dr. Nancy Van Eyk received her medical degree from the University of Ottawa and her Fellowship in Obstetrics and Gynaecology from the University of Toronto. She completed a clinical fellowship in Paediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology in Melbourne, Australia and has a Masters in Clinical Epidemiology from the University of Toronto. Dr. Van Eyk is currently the Adult OR Physician Lead at the IWK, and practices both paediatric and adult obstetrics and gynaecology. She is an Associate Professor at Dalhousie University. She has served as co-chair of CANPAGO (Canadian Paediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology and Obstetrics) committee within the SOGC and various committees within NASPAG (North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology).

GUEST SPEAKER

Neonatal Hematology: Perinatal Immune Thrombocytopenia and Anemia

Dr. Jillian Baker, MD, MSc, FRCPC, Assistant Professor, The University of Toronto, Staff Physician, Departments of Pediatrics and Medicine, St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, Associate Staff Physician, Division of Hematology-Oncology, The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto

Dr. Baker completed her medical degree and Residency in Pediatrics at the University of Calgary, followed by fellowships in Pediatric Hematology-Oncology and Research at The Hospital for Sick Children, and a Master's of Science in Clinical Epidemiology at the University of Toronto. She is an Assistant Professor and Clinician Teacher in the Department of Pediatrics at the Temerty Faculty of Medicine. She is a Staff Hematologist and Pediatrician at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto (Departments of Pediatrics and Medicine), and an Associate Staff Hematologist (Division of Hematology-Oncology) at SickKids. Dr. Baker's clinical practices include general pediatric hematology, adolescent young adult hematology, perinatal care of babies born to women with bleeding disorders, and newborn medicine. Her main clinical area of interest is neonatal hematology as she is one of only two physicians in North America who practice the areas of hematology and neonatology. Dr. Baker's main academic area of interest is neonatal hematology, with a special interest in perinatal immune disorders such as fetal and neonatal alloimmune thrombocytopenia (FNAIT) and Hemolytic Disease of the Newborn, particularly rhesus hemolytic disease (Rh Disease).

Hemostasis Testing for the General Pediatrician

Dr. Eileen McBride completed here medical school at the University of Ottawa followed by residencies in pediatrics (Dalhousie University), pediatric hematology and oncology (University of Montreal), and hematological pathology also at Dalhousie University. She started her career at the IWK in 2008 as the Medical Director of Immunohematology before switching gears and moving to Ottawa to work in General Pediatrics at the Montfort Hospital in 2011. Her path took another big turn in 2015 when she moved to Doha Qatar, to be part of the inaugural laboratory department and Transfusion Medicine Lab Director at Sidra Medicine, the first women and children's hospital in the Middle East. After 6 years in Doha, she returned to Nova Scotia last fall and will be joining the Antigonish Pediatrics group full time this summer. Her areas of particular interest are teaching laboratory hematology and transfusion, and the art of integrating the science of the laboratory into day-to-day clinical care.

Friday, May 13

Trauma Informed Care in Oncology

Prasanna Kariyawansa (he/him), RSW, Program Educator, is a Social Worker and in his current role is passionate about helping professionals at IWK Health to integrate the principles of trauma informed care into their daily practice. Prior to his current role, Prasanna worked as a Youth Care Worker supporting pediatric clients, their families and care providers in various care areas. His experiences as a first generation Canadian and work with not-for-profit organizations like the YMCA and Scouts Canada has influenced his past and current work. In his personal time Prasanna enjoys time with his family, practicing mindfulness and wilderness camping.

Holly Murphy (she/her), MN, RN BScN, CPMHN(c), Advanced Practice Leader for Trauma Informed Care, is a master's prepared Registered Nurse and has enjoyed various roles from clinical care, professional practice, patient safety and management. In her current role, she is the Advanced Practice Leader for Trauma Informed Care at the IWK Health Centre. She believes we all play an important role in creating trauma informed environments. Holly values time with family and friends, being mindful and enjoying the outdoors; especially being by the ocean or a campfire.

Compassion Fatigue

Dr. Janine Hubbard is a Pediatric Psychologist at the Janeway Children's Health & Rehabilitation Centre in St. John's, NL. Janine received her master's and Ph.D. in Clinical-Developmental Psychology from York University and completed her pre-doctoral internship at the IWK. She has been with the Janeway since 2003 and joined the Oncology team in 2012. Janine is President of the Association of Psychology Newfoundland and Labrador (APNL) and operates a private practice in clinical child/adolescent psychological services. She is an Adjunct Profession in Psychology at MUN and involved in teaching of graduate students and Psychology Residents.

WeThrive: Identifying Heavy Menstrual Bleeding in Adolescents with an mHealth App

Dr. Meghan Pike is a second-year subspecialty resident in Pediatric-Hematology Oncology at Dalhousie University/IWK Health Centre. She completed her pediatrics training at Dalhousie in 2020 after receiving her medical degree in 2017. Throughout her training, she has worked on creating and validating the Adolescent Menstrual Bleeding Questionnaire (aMBQ), designed to measure the impact of heavy menstrual bleeding on adolescent quality-of-life, which was recently published in RPTH. She secured a grant from the Canadian Hemophilia Society to develop an app to incorporate the aMBQ. The app, called WeThrive, can identify adolescents who have heavy menstrual bleeding; it officially launched on November 10th, 2021! Dr. Pike's research interests include bleeding disorders, patient-reported outcome measures and advocacy for menstruators.

COG Update

Dr. Craig Erker is an assistant professor at the IWK in the division of pediatric hematology/oncology. In addition to medical and pediatric training, he completed a fellowship in pediatric neuro-oncology at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Centre. Craig is the site principal investigator for the COG at the IWK. He enjoys the team at the IWK and any Sunny days to play outside with his 3 kids.

Oncology Emergencies

Dr. Ketan Kulkarni is currently a clinician researcher and Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Pathology, Medicine and Pharmacy in the division of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology and Department of Pediatrics at the IWK Health Center. His main clinical interests are (i) leukemia (ii) clinical outcome and supportive care research in pediatric oncology and (iii) thrombosis in pediatric oncology and high-risk pediatric populations. Ketan's research interest align very closely with his clinical interests. With an overarching theme of supportive care and drug toxicity research in pediatric oncology, he is actively engaged in very collaboration with basic and translational researchers to find innovative ways of improving the care of pediatric hematology oncology patients. Dr. Kulkarni's long-term goal is to integrate the use of advanced technologies to improve the treatment and supportive care of oncology patients. A specific focus of his work has been assessing the role of genome and microbiome in treatment related toxicities and outcomes in pediatric oncology patients.

Vitamin K Refusal for Newborns

Dr. Yasmeen Mansoor is a senior pediatrics resident at the IWK Health Centre, and former Pediatric Chief Resident. She will be soon starting a fellowship in Pediatrics Nephrology at the University of Toronto.

Dr. Danielle Styranko is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at Dalhousie University and a Neonatologist in the Division of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine at the IWK Health Centre. She is currently working on her Masters in Medical Education at the University of Dundee, Scotland, United Kingdom. Her research interests are infants with hypoglycemia, point-of-care lung ultrasound for diagnosing neonatal respiratory diseases and targeted neonatal echocardiography.

Treatment of Side Effects

Jill Mitchell is an RN in Newfoundland and Labrador. She received her Bachelor of Nursing degree from Memorial University of Newfoundland in 2003 and became a certified APHON Chemotherapy & Biotherapy Instructor in 2017. Jill worked on the inpatient hematology/oncology unit as a staff nurse for nearly eighteen years and has volunteered at Camp Delight and sits on the board for directors of the Islaview Foundation, a local organization that aims to financially assist families with a child diagnosed with a life-threatening condition. In January 2021, Jill joined APPHON/ROHPPA as our Levels of Care Coordinator in NL along with being the first ever provincial pediatric Hematology Nurse Coordinator in the province.

Saturday, May 14

Team Approach to New Diagnosis in Outside Centre

Dr. Natacha Hébert is a general pediatrics residency graduate from Sherbrooke University (2010). She has been working as a general pediatrician at the Georges-L-Dumont Hospital in Moncton since 2010. She has been working with pediatric hematology and oncology patients since starting her practice in Moncton. She loves staying active with swimming, biking, and running. She also loves walking on the beach with her dog Joa. She likes to knit and has recently taken up quilting... she also stays active chasing her teenage boys at various sporting events and her husband at music events... oh and she LOVES dark chocolate...

the first 30 days...

Dr. Bruce Crooks is a pediatric Hematologist/Oncologist who came to the Maritimes 20 years ago. Originally from Yorkshire in the UK, he trained at Birmingham University Medical School, and then completed specialty training in the Northeast of England. He was recruited to Halifax by virtue of a failed vacation and a Blackberry and is very happy here in Halifax. He has special interests in general pediatric oncology, neuro-oncology retinoblastoma, BMT, long-term follow up and histiocytic diseases, and currently heads up the Pediatric hematology/oncology subspecialty residency program, as well as being responsible for the hematology teaching during the undergraduate Med 1 Host Defense unit. When not working, he attempts to ride his bike - and has ridden across Canada 3 times on the National Kids Cancer Ride, raising over \$100,000 for education, research, and support for kids with cancer. Hope you enjoy the presentation.

Laura Connors is the mom of Leah, who was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia at age two in October of 2020. Leah is now in maintenance and doing well as a passionate and energetic almost-four-year-old, who loves dance class, riding her bike, her big brother, and paw patrol. Leah and Laura's story became extraordinary when Laura was diagnosed with an aggressive breast cancer five weeks after Leah's diagnosis with ALL, during the induction phase of Leah's treatment. When not "momming" or in treatment, Laura is a passionate advocate for parent support, family connection, and mental health, when wearing her other hat as "Dr. Laura," a Clinical Psychologist, researcher, and trainer. In her spare time, Laura can be found enjoying a rare quiet moment and latte with her husband, in or on the water, or on horseback. Laura truly believes the quote, "It's not what happens, it's what happens next."

Navigating Steroid Use and Adrenal Insufficiency/Rescue Plans

Dr. Heather Power is a Pediatric Endocrinologist practicing at the Janeway in St. John's, NL. She attended Dalhousie University to obtain her undergraduate degree and loved living in Halifax. She then returned to St. John's for medical school and residency and completed her fellowship training at CHEO in Ottawa before returning to St. John's, mostly because she missed Lynette, Lisa, and Paul.

Guidelines Update

Dr. Tamara MacDonald obtained her doctorate in pharmacy in 2003. She has been in the role of Oncology Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at the IWK Health since 2004 and Guideline Development Coordinator for APPHON since 2008. In these roles, Dr. MacDonald has been instrumental in developing best practices for supportive management of children with cancer in the Atlantic Provinces. Dr. MacDonald's research interests include improving supportive care to children with cancer and the relationship of chemotherapy, infectious complications, and the microbiome. Dr. MacDonald holds an appointment at Dalhousie University.

Vascular Abnormalities

Dr. Victoria Price is a Pediatric Hematologist/Oncologist at the IWK Health Centre and professor in Dept Pediatrics Dalhousie University. She is the Pediatric Hematologist in the interdisciplinary vascular anomalies' clinic at the IWK Health Centre. She attended medical school and completed training in pediatrics at the University of Pretoria in South Africa. She completed a pediatric hematology/oncology fellowship, as well as a pediatric hemostasis fellowship at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. In 2014, she completed a Master's in Health Economics, Policy and Management at the London School of Economics.