

APRIL NEWSLETTER

An exciting look back at stories involving the Faculty of Medicine in the month of April.

Dalhousie's Faculty of Medicine is keeping busy this spring making excellent medical research and education accessible and equitable. This month's stories will show you how behind the scenes research is going from the lab to the real world, where it's benefiting real people, and real patients.

From a Dal researcher winning a prestigious international award to a clinical cadaver program helping physicians learn, read on to find out what's new with the Faculty of Medicine and our colleagues and partners across the university.

Skip is committed to managing Canadian kid's pain, more than ever



If you know kids, you know they are accident magnets. They break bones falling off the swings, bump their heads when jumping on the bed, and scrape their knees when they fall of their bikes. Although all children experience some type of pain, did you know that one in five Canadian children experience chronic pain before they reach adulthood?



<u>Province Funds New Medical School Campus in Cape</u> <u>Breton</u>

On March 7, 2023, Premier Tim Houston announced a \$58.9 million investment to develop a new medical sciences building at Cape Breton University, which will house the medical school campus slated to open in 2025 in collaboration with Dalhousie University.



Black Learners Admissions Pathway approved by Dalhousie Medical School

A new admissions pathway recently announced by Dalhousie Medical School aims to diversify the healthcare workforce by adjusting their admission processes to be equitable for Black learners.



Office of Professional Affairs aims to evolve learning environment

In December 2022, the Faculty of Medicine at Dalhousie announced a new Office of Professional Affairs (OPA). Their goal to create and maintain a healthy and safe learning environment in the medical school.



<u>Clinical cadaver program at Dalhousie allows safe,</u> <u>realistic surgical simulation.</u>

These patients will not communicate what's ailing them, nor react to a scalpel's cut, or a needle's prick. They can't see, or breath. But because of them, countless lives will be saved. These patients are clinical cadavers.

Local researcher wins international award

Dalhousie clinical researcher Dr. Cindy Calkin is making waves in the global medical community with her recent bipolar research. The American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology (ASCP) Awards Committee has chosen the paper to receive the 2023 Paul Wender Best Paper in The Journal of Clinical Psychiatry award.

Meet the Researcher: The 2023 Winter Molly Appeal



Dr. Dharini Bharadwaj is researching how chemotherapy impacts the spread of cancer in certain organs. Her work paves the way for developing new combination therapies for cancer patients. Learn more

about how the cancer diagnostics and precision treatments of tomorrow are made today.

Dal alumni among medical humanities award winners



The Gold Headed Cane Award is presented annually as part of the Humanities HEALS Program at Dalhousie University's Faculty of Medicine to recognize an outstanding Nova Scotia physician who exemplifies professionalism in service to their patients and the profession in the best interest of the public.



<u>Halifax Brain Bee</u>

The Brain Bee has been held internationally for more than 35 years and is used as an opportunity to engage high school students to learn the base levels of neuroscience with a goal of attracting bright minds to the field.

GIVETOLIVE: The BIG RIDE



GIVETOLIVE is ready to Ride the Rock in stunning Gros Morne Newfoundland! The money raised from The BIG RIDE funds local cancer research trainees being trained at Dalhousie University's Beatrice Hunter Cancer Research Institute. Support a rider or register for The BIG RIDE today!