



September 30, 2019

### *FROM THE DESK OF NICK KATES*

I will shortly be circulating our financial plan for the next three years that we discussed at the recent Department meeting. Our intention is to take the next nine months to look at all the cuts we need to make and think through all their implications, using existing surpluses to balanced our budget for this year only, as well as pursuing new revenue streams. Some changes will be introduced this year, but our major goal is to ensure that we have a comprehensive and integrated plan ready to put in place for July 2020, to implement thoughtfully and equitably.

And can I ask you to take a couple of minutes to fill in the CBS Community Education survey I sent around again today, as this is potentially a very important source of new revenue.

*Nick*

## *Save the Date!*

**Peter Boris Centre for  
Addictions Research - 5  
Year Celebration**  
October 3rd, Noon-  
3:00pm  
St. Joes - West 5th  
Auditorium

**DPBN Research &  
Scholarship Marketplace**  
October 16th - *info*

**Annual Education Day**  
November 27th

**2nd Annual Psychiatry  
Review Course**  
May 7 & 8, 2020 - *info*

**Department  
Calendar**

## Department News

### *Welcome back to:*

**Alison Kerkhoff**, Department Research Office and AFP, who returns from her maternity leave on October 7th.

### *Congratulations to:*



**Vanessa Lentz** who was recently appointed the new Chair of COUPE (Canadian Organization of Undergraduate Psychiatric Educators).



**Heather Moulden** who was recently made a Fellow of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. This is an international organization for professionals and researchers dedicated to the study and prevention of sexual abuse.

## *Interim PES (Psychiatry Emergency Service) Medical Lead:*

On September 30th, **Janet Patterson** will be stepping down from her role as PES Medical Lead and **Dave Fudge** will assume the position, on an interim basis effective October 1st. I would like to thank Janet for all her work, dedication, and ongoing commitment in ensuring the best possible patient care and for the support and advice she has provided to learners and faculty during her time in that role, and also welcome Dave to his new role.



### *Remembering Peggy McAlpine:*

Peggy, who passed away last week, worked for several decades with Dan Offord and the research group that became the Offord Centre for Child Studies. In her administrative role, she supported Dan and many other trainees who transitioned into faculty positions at the Offord Centre, including Peter Szatmari, Michael Boyle, Harriet MacMillan, and Ellen Lipman.



Orange Shirt Day is **September 30th**. It is a day of recognition, remembering the survivors of the residential schools, and a day to promote awareness about the Indian residential school system and the impact this system had on Indigenous communities in Canada.

## Media News

**Kayla Simms (PGY3)**, who wrote a short story about bedside manner and compassionate medicine that was published and released in a paperback anthology released by Dartmouth College Press. To order your copy, click [here](#).

## Research News

### *Congratulations to:*

**Margaret McKinnon**, (PI) who received two year funding, \$320,000, from the Worker's Safety Insurance Board for her grant, "*A randomized control trial examining the treatment efficacy of a novel approach to cognitive remediation in public safety personnel with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)*". Randi McCabe is one of the co-investigators on the grant.

## Education News

### **Competency Based Medical Education Update!**

Thank you for assessing our pgy1s on their Entrustable Professional Acts.

**EPA Evals will expire on MedSIS after 7 days, if not completed by the assessor.**

**That observation will then not be included in their learning portfolio.  
This could affect their assessment by the program and promotion.**

Your efforts in completing the evaluation soon after the assessment is greatly appreciated.

For this year, the resident has to trigger the assessment.

MedSIS will only send notifications of assessments pending completion on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Illustrated [Instructions on Accessing the Assessment Form on MedSIS](#) can be found in this [guide](#).

For Info on the Entrustable Professional Acts assessed during Foundations, check out:

- \* the [Foundations Orientation Guide for Faculty & Senior Residents](#) (guide)
- \* JoAnn's [Department Rounds](#) on [October 9, 2019](#)

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