The NOSM academic council held its annual retreat on October 24-25<sup>th</sup> 2013 in Sault Ste Marie. Its major tasks were the review of its academic principles, and the design and measurement of of high performance in an academic setting. Dr Louis Francescutti, President of the Canadian Medical Association also gave a presentation on "The future of the Medical Profession'.

October 15<sup>th</sup> 2013 marked the one year anniversary of Rendez-Vous 2012 and the theme of community engaged medical education has gone on to become a global vision in medical education. A report on the conference can be found at;

http://www.nosm.ca/uploadFiles/About Us/Media Room 2/Northern Passages/Northern%Passages%20Passages%20-%20Third%20Quarter%202012.pdf

The annual faculty development retreat, Northern Constellations will be held in Thunder Bay on April 4 and 5 2014.

The Northern Health Research Conference will be held in Sioux Lookout on June 6-7 2014. Dr Sheldon Tobe, Chair of Aboriginal and Rural Health is the organizing Chair of this years conference.

A fundraising event the NOSM MASH BASH will be held on February 28t, 2014 at the CLE Coliseum.

Respectfully submitted,

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