

The Board of Directors approved two new appointments for a three-year renewable term. Ms. Juliette Denis, who hails from Hanmer, is a Francophone and Métis Elder who has worked in institutional, public and community health for more than 30 years. Juliette brings extensive experience in management, human resources and community development. Ms. Donna Dorrington is a lawyer in Timmins who focuses a large part of her practice on servicing the remote coastal communities of the James Bay coast area. In addition, Donna brings a wide-range of knowledge in financial reporting, financial statement preparation, risk management and financial performance measurement. Their first term begins in September 2019 until 2022.

The Board retreat concluded with a Miichim (traditional food) Lunch and Learn at the Nishnawbe Gamik Friendship Centre where Board members learned from Jennifer Thomas, Executive Director, about important programs and services provided.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for September 18, 2019. For a complete list of Board members, please visit our website at nosm.ca/board.

Celebrating NOSM's Success

It is almost 10 years since the Milestone Celebrations in 2009 which encompassed the graduation of the NOSM MD program Charter Class and the first completion of training from Family Medicine RoCS (Residents of the Canadian Shield), NOSM's family medicine residency program. For the week May 28 to June 5, 2009, all charter class members were together for the Lakehead University Convocation, followed by travelling across Northern Ontario by bus visiting communities that hosted them during their studies, then to participate in the Laurentian University Convocation. In Thunder Bay and in Sudbury, there were also public celebration receptions which were attended by over 1000 people in total, and in between many charter class members visited their home town during the bus tour. The family medicine residency graduation ceremony took place in Marathon on 28 May 2009.

During May 2019, we are taking the opportunity to celebrate 10 years since those major milestones for Northern Ontario and NOSM with special Celebrating Success with NOSM receptions on May 2 in Sudbury and on May 8 in Thunder Bay. At the end of the month, we will hold a Celebrating Success with NOSM reception in Toronto on May 28. These celebration events also will provide an opportunity to say farewell to me as Founding Dean and CEO, and to welcome Dr Sarita Verma who takes over as NOSM Dean and CEO on July 1.

Northern Constellations 2019 – Phenomenal Faculty Development

If you were not one of the 270 participants in this year's Northern Constellations Faculty Development Conference, you missed out on an extraordinary experience. Faculty members from all Divisions across Northern Ontario were well represented as presenters and participants, along with NOSM staff, learners and international visitors from Scotland, USA and Australia. Plenary presentations by three outstanding speakers were highlights, as well as 32 different interactive workshops and 10 educational innovations. In addition, the program included: research, leadership, library and CEPD consultations; wellness activities; meetings affiliated with the conference; and the faculty awards ceremony which recognized faculty members who had been promoted in 2018 and presented the Learner and Faculty Peer Awards of Excellence. Congratulations to: Dr Simon Lees (Scholar), Dr Tom Crichton (Academic Leader), Drs Joseph Dooley and Damian Micomonaco (Clinical Scholars), Dr Katherine Kauffeldt (Clinical Teacher), Dr David Allen (Medical Educator), Dr Stephen Viherjoki (Teacher – Learner Nominated), Ananya Beruar (Learner Advocate/Leader), Dr Vincent Le (Learner Peer Teacher) and Dr Hillary Bohler (Learner Scholarly Activity). Dr Natalie Goodale was the recipient of the Physician Clinical Teachers' Association Leadership award.

It was truly exciting for me to be involved in Northern Constellations and to hear from so many faculty members about having learned new ways to improve the educational experiences they provide for our learners. In addition, I heard about the extensive networking and relationship development which will enhance not only academic activities but also clinical care. Congratulations, well done and thank you to everyone

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involved in presenting this year's Northern Constellations, particularly Dr James Goertzen Assistant Dean Continuing Education Professional Development (CEPD), Dr Janice Willet Associate Dean Faculty Affairs (FA) and CEPD, Anita Arella Director FA & CEPD, and the whole CEPD team. Now is the time to mark your calendar for next year's Northern Constellations, 8-9 May 2020 in Thunder Bay.

For more information: <https://www.nosm.ca/education/cepd/northern-constellations/>

NOSM RECEIVES CHARLES BOELEN INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AWARD

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) was presented with the Charles Boelen International Social Accountability Award by the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC) during a ceremony on April 14 at the Conference on Canadian Medical Education at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls. [> Read more about the Charles Boelen International Social Accountability Award.](#)

NOSM Alumnus and Assistant Professor Receives Prestigious National Award



The Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) is pleased to announce that Dr. Jonathan DellaVedova is being recognized for his contributions to improving the wellness of residents at the School. Granted annually by Resident Doctors of Canada (RDoC), a not-for-profit organization that represents over 10,000 resident doctors across Canada, DellaVedova has been awarded the RDoC Puddester Award for Resident Wellness in the staff category.

DellaVedova—a Charter Class alumnus of NOSM's MD program—is an Assistant Professor who practices full-time as a pediatrician in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. As the Wellness Lead Clinician for the

NOSM Postgraduate Medical Education program, DellaVedova represents the wellness interests of all NOSM residents and its programs. His initiatives include the creation of the NOSM Resident Support Network and the NOSM Well app for residents at the School.

A long time active voice in the medical education community, DellaVedova has served as President of the Canadian Federation of Medical Students and the Professional Association of Residents of Ontario, and as a multi-year member of RDoC's Board of Directors. He has previously been recognized for his efforts by the Ontario Medical Association and the St. Joseph's Healthcare Medical Staff Association.

NOSM hosting public information session on MD program admissions

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine will be hosting information sessions for individuals interested in applying to the MD Program. These sessions are held annually, in conjunction with the opening of the new admission cycle. Learn about the admission requirements and application process at one of the two sessions. No registration is required for this event.

NOSM at Laurentian University

Thursday, June 20, 2019

6:30 p.m. EST

Northern Ontario School of Medicine
Laurentian University
Medical School Building, Room 107
935 Ramsey Lake Road
Sudbury, Ontario

NOSM at Lakehead University

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

6:30 p.m. EST

Northern Ontario School of Medicine
Lakehead University
Medical School Building, Room 1011
955 Oliver Road
Thunder Bay, Ontario

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For more information: <https://www.nosm.ca/2019/05/24/nosm-hosting-public-information-session-on-md-program-admissions/>

Northern Health Research Conference



Call for Abstracts extended to May 31, 2019. Please fill out the Submission form:

https://www.nosm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/ABSTRACT-SUBMISSION-FORM_2019.docx

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine's Northern Health Research Conference—more commonly known as the NHRC—has been held annually since 2006. It is hosted in communities across NOSM's wider campus of Northern

Ontario and provides an opportunity for researchers in the region to present their research and exchange research ideas.



The Scope includes all of these ideas. Research at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) is reflective of the School's mandate to be socially accountable to the diversity of Northern Ontario. As such, studies are being undertaken in a range of subjects including culturally appropriate care for Indigenous peoples, new drug technologies,

cancer screening methods, patient rehabilitation, lake water quality, and so much more

May 2019 English <https://www.nosm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Scope-8th-Edition-Web-1.pdf>
 Français <https://www.nosm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Scope-8th-Edition-%E2%80%94-French-Web.pdf>



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Respectfully submitted,

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