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TRILLIUM HEALTH PARTNERS CONGRATULATES AWARD WINNING DOCTORS, STAFF AND STUDENTS

(Mississauga, ON) – Trillium Health Partners proudly congratulates physicians, staff and students who recently received awards for teaching and education.

Dr. Dante Morra, Trillium Health Partners Chief of Staff was presented with two esteemed awards given each year by the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine. He is the first person in over twenty years to be awarded both the Dean A. L. Chute Award and a W. T. Aikins Faculty Teaching Award in the same year.

"It is an honour to receive these awards," said Dr. Morra. "I see my role as a teacher as a real privilege. My goal is to help facilitate the necessary transition of physicians from students to leaders in the delivery of systems that improve patient outcomes and patient experience."

Trillium Health Partners is proud to announce that a number of its doctors, staff and students have also recently received awards.

"We are thrilled by the accomplishments of our doctors, staff and students," said Dr. Norm Hill, Vice President, Medical Education and Medical Administration, Trillium Health Partners. "It is a privilege for us to work with such dedicated individuals. These awards are extremely well deserved."

The Mississauga Academy of Medicine (MAM) Excellence Award winners from Trillium Health Partners include:

Faculty Teaching Awards

- Excellence in Problem Based Learning – **Dr. Behzad Taromi, Orthopaedic Surgery**
- Excellence in Clinical Skills Teaching – **Dr. Melissa Graham, Family Medicine**

Citizen of the Year Awards

- Faculty – **Dr. Jean Hudson, Family Medicine**
- Administrative Staff – **Tammy Ramnarace, Medical Education Office**
- Student – **Nadia Salvo (2nd year) and Tara Justice (1st year), Medical Students, MAM**

The University of Toronto's Department of Family and Community Medicine Award winners from Trillium Health Partners include:

- Award for Resident Advocacy - **Suzanne Serre-Hall, Medical Education Office**
- Resident award for Teaching Excellence - **Dr. Stephen Wegener, Family Medicine**
- Award for Excellence in Faculty Development - **Dr. Gihane Zarifa, Family Medicine**
- New Teacher Award - **Dr. Linda Deppisch, Family Medicine**
- New Teacher Award - **Dr. Kiran Virdy, Family Medicine**
- New Teacher Award - **Dr. Melissa Graham, Family Medicine**
- Award for Mentorship - **Dr. Paul Philbrook, Family Medicine**
- New Teacher Award - **Dr. David Rosen, Family Medicine**
- New Teacher Award - **Dr. Hariclia Johnston, Family Medicine**

Trillium-Summerville Family Medicine Teaching Unit Award winners include:

- Residents' Award for Excellence in Resident Training - **Sue Todd, Medical Education Office**
- Residents' Award for Excellence in Resident Teaching - **Dr. Mini Joshipura, Family Medicine**
- Resident Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Postgraduate Level - **Dr. Frances Cousins, Family Medicine**

Other recent Trillium Health Partners award winners include:

- Al Drummond Award for Advocacy in Emergency Medicine from the Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians - **Dr. Norm Epstein, Emergency Medicine**
- Anna Jarvis Award for Excellence in Postgraduate Teaching from the CCFP-EM Emergency Medicine Residency Program at the University of Toronto - **Dr. Janos Pataki, Medicine / ICU**
- Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians' Resident of the Year Award – **Dr. Laura Stone, Emergency Medicine** (starting in July)

"I am so proud of the tremendous accomplishments of our doctors, staff and students," said Dr. Morra. "We have such an incredibly talented, innovative and dedicated team at Trillium Health Partners, who go above and beyond to provide the best health care in our community every day."

Trillium Health Partners continues its successful partnership with the University of Toronto/Mississauga and the Mississauga Academy of Medicine. This fall the first group of 54 clerks (third year medical students) from MAM will begin working at the hospital with patients under the supervision of physicians. Since 2011, the hospital has provided training to first and second year medical students from MAM.

About Trillium Health Partners:

Trillium Health Partners is one of the largest community-based acute care facilities in Canada. Comprised of Credit Valley Hospital, the Mississauga Hospital and the Queensway Health Centre, Trillium Health Partners serves the growing and diverse populations of

Mississauga, West Toronto and surrounding communities. Trillium Health Partners is a teaching hospital affiliated with the University of Toronto. Trillium Health Partners is an associate member of the Toronto Academic Health Science Network.

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