



Department of Psychiatry

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New Chair Announcement

As announced by the Faculty of Medicine, we wish to congratulate Gustavo on his new role as Chair of the Department of Psychiatry effective March 1st, 2015. Most of you know him for his role as Associate Chair of Research in the department, as well as for his successful academic career. Gustavo's impressive publication and funding record puts him at the forefront of his research program. Gustavo plays a major role in various local and provincial programs as the Director of the McGill Group for Suicide Studies, head of its Depressive Disorders Program and Co-Director of the Douglas Bell-Canada Brain Bank, as well as, the Director of the FRQS funded provincial network on suicide and mood disorders. Congratulations on this new mandate!



Thank you Dr. Israël

The Department of Psychiatry would like to thank Dr. Mimi Israël for her years of devotion and service as Chair of the Department.

There are no words to adequately express our gratitude for the level of finesse with which she handled her responsibilities as Chair. Her leadership throughout the years have truly united the Department and we will miss her professionalism, humor, enthusiasm, and unwavering energy.

We wish her the very best as she steps down as Chair and prepares to take on her next challenge!



Please Donate and Support the Academic Fund

We have recently kicked off our 3rd annual campaign for donations to the McGill Department of Psychiatry Academic Fund. Thanks to all those who made a contribution to the fund in 2014. This year, we are counting on your generosity again to help us reach our new goal of \$20 000.

Your support will help foster growth in our department and preserve our high standards and excellence in teaching, patient care and research.

To make a contribution, visit www.alumni.mcgill.ca/aoc/online-giving.. Please be sure to designate your donations to the "Department of Psychiatry".

Page 2 Happy Holidays!

Dr. Missagh Ghardirian

Promotions and New Appointments

Emeritus

Dr. Missagh Ghadirian

Promoted to Associate Professor

Dr. Eric Jarvis

Dr. Jorge Palacios-Boix

Dr. Ron Fraser

Dr. Karine Igartua

Dr. Howard Margolese

Dr. Richard Montoro

Dr. Santokh Singh

Dr. Pedro Rosa Neto

New Hires

Dr. Christine Besse (Visiting Scholar)

Dr. Samuel Veissière (Visiting Professor)

Dr. Maureen Hodgson (Faculty Lecturer)

Dr. Natalie Vachon (Faculty Lecturer)

Dr. Andre Gagnon (Adjunct)

Dr. Farida Bensaada (Faculty Lecturer)

Dr. Tie Yuan Zhang (Assistant Professor)

Dr. Jeanne Davida Talbot (Affiliate Member)

Dr. Sabina Sarin (Assistant Professor)

Dr. David Zuroff (Associate Member)



Special guest speaker Clara Hughes with Dr. Daniel Frank and Dr. Michael Bond

Robert Utting/Leonard Ellen Memorial Conference with Clara Hughes

This year's annual Robert Utting/Leonard Ellen Memorial Conference was held at the Jewish General Hospital on November I 0th. Visitor Clara Hughes spoke about her struggle with mental illness and depression within the world of competitive sport in both speed skating and cycling. Ms. Hughes spoke about the importance of destignatizing mental illness .

Ms. Hughes was presented with the 2014 Douglas Utting Medal by Dr. Michael Bond and Dr. Daniel Frank, which is given annually to a Canadian who has made significant contribution to the study, understanding or treatment of depressive disorders.

Transitional Care Program at the Jewish General Hospital Child Psychiatry Day Hospital: Funded by "Bell Let's Talk"

To address the challenge of providing continuity of care after discharge for children and families who have been successfully treated in the Jewish General Hospital Child Psychiatry Day Hospital, is pleased to announce Transitional Care Program. Thanks to generous support from Bell through its "Bell Let's Talk" initiative, our team provides support to parents and to school personnel in order to prevent relapse and promote reintegration into community schools.

The Transitional Care Team is also bringing its knowledge to social media. To learn more about childhood mental health and current resources available check out

Blog: www.transitionalcarejgh.com Twitter: @jghbellCare

