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A Few words from your central team

Dear Members,

We hope you are enjoying the colder weather.

We are pleased to announce that the next CHF Alliance in-person meeting will be held in Montreal (QC) on May 23, 2024. We are currently working on the agenda for the meeting and look forward to seeing you there. We will share more details with you soon.

In parallel, we are working on the Trainee Awards and Early Career Investigator Grants 2024 competitions. Both competitions should be launched in Winter 2024, so stay tuned and don't miss out on these opportunities. Trainees are encouraged to register now as a CHF Alliance trainee by filling out the registration form (also available on our website).

Finally, we would like to highlight the impressive work of our Patient Engagement and Empowerment team, who in developing tools for both researchers and patient partners to help them either engage or retain patient partners. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Sylvain Bédard, patient partner, co-leader of the PEE team and former member of the CHF Alliance Executive Committee, for his commitment and dedication to changing paradigms. In October, Sylvain received the CHF Alliance Inaugural Award for Excellence and Leadership in Patient and Public Engagement. Congratulations! Sylvain recently reflected to ease our mind, on behalf of the CHF Alliance leadership team, thank you, Sylvain, for your work, dedication and support of this initiative.

Best wishes,

Maryse, Leslie, Jean, and Marc



From left to right: Leslie Hausermann, Maryse Desjardins, Jean L. Rivest, and Marc Bena

SAVE THE DATE
CHF ALLIANCE NEXT IN-PERSON MEETING
May 23, 2024 in MONTREAL, QC



We are looking forward to seeing you there.
(More details to come)

Highlight on the PEE Team

The CHF Alliance has been developed from its inception in partnership with people with lived experience and led by a team of internationally recognized clinicians, scientists and CHF patient (de)volunteers. The CHF Alliance is patient-driven and one of our priorities is to involve patient partners in all dimensions of our research. Since its inception, the Patient Engagement and Empowerment team has been working to identify and recruit all supporting researchers who want to involve patient partners in their research projects, but also of engaging and keeping patient partners involved in the research and the projects.

Indeed, the team has developed tools for both researchers and patient partners, such as the EMPower newsletter, videos, forms of reference for patient engagement, and an intake form to recruit patient partners and researchers. They also host various webinars, and the recent patient engagement Materials at Vancouver 2023 was a success, bringing together 21 patient partners from across Canada in addition to the organizing team. They will soon be launching a series of videos to provide tools for researchers who want to engage patient partners. Stay tuned for the launch announcement!

All of these tools will soon be available on the Heart4u Hub, a portal developed in partnership with the Heart4u Foundation to support researchers and patient partners by providing resources, support and information on patient engagement and empowerment. The Heart4u Hub is still under development but is already live.

All researchers are encouraged to involve patient partners in their project. Engagement can occur in early or protocol development, and it's never too late to engage a patient partner. The Patient Partner Intake Form is available here and upon request. You can also contact the PEE team if you have questions or need information.

[Learn details](#)

Webinar : How to Engage Patient Partners in Research
Monday, December 11, 2023 at 12 pm EST on Zoom
Presenters: Dr. Doreen Sommer-Lakatos and Marc Bena
[Need the zoom link? Contact us!](#)

CHF Alliance Roll of Honour

 <p>CHF Alliance Inaugural Award for Excellence and Leadership in Patient and Public Engagement</p> <p>In October, Sylvain Bédard received the CHF Alliance Inaugural Award for Excellence and Leadership in Patient and Public Engagement.</p> <p>Sylvain Bédard used to work at CEPPP and has been involved with the CHF Alliance since its inception as a Patient Partner, Executive Director and Co-Leader of the Patient Engagement and Empowerment team. Sylvain is one of those participating researchers who has done a tremendous amount to engage patient partners in health care. Sylvain recently reflected to ease our mind, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank him on behalf of the entire CHF Alliance community.</p> <p>Congratulations, Sylvain, and thank you!</p>	 <p>Prix Maril-G-Bourassa 2023</p> <p>The Montreal Heart Institute Foundation has awarded the Prix Maril-G-Bourassa 2023 to Dr. Mathieu Ruiz.</p> <p>Dr. Ruiz is the co-director of the Maintenance Program of the Montreal Heart Institute and part of the CHF Alliance FIVE collaborative project team.</p> <p>The Prix Maril-G-Bourassa, awarded by the Montreal Heart Institute Foundation since 1997, recognizes excellence and active participation in the scientific field of caring for heart researchers.</p> <p>Congratulations, Dr. Ruiz!!</p>
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Trainee Awards and Early Career Investigator Grants New Competitions to be launched in Winter 2024

We are pleased to announce that the new CHF Alliance competitions for Trainee Awards and Early Career Investigator Grants will be launched in winter 2024. A minimum of 4 Trainee Awards and 4 Early Career Investigator Grants will be available this year.

To be eligible, trainees must be registered as CHF Alliance Trainees and supervised or co-supervised by a CHF Alliance member, while early career investigators must be within the first 5 years of their first academic faculty appointment. **Keep your eyes open for the launch of the competitions!**

(The terms of reference, including the list of eligibility criteria, will be available at the launch of the competitions).

Support CHF Alliance Researchers

Dr. Anthony is part of the CHF Alliance Pediatric Team and leads the iPeer2Peer program, a mentoring program designed to support adolescent and transitioning patients.

Take a minute to watch the video: [The iPeer2Peer Mentorship Program within Pediatric Solid Organ Transplantation to learn more about this innovative program.](#) You can vote to support Dr. Anthony and his team for the 2023 IHDCYH (Institute of Human Development, Child and Youth Health) Talks Video Competition.

Please vote by giving a thumbs-up by the end of November. Please note that you must be logged in to your Google+™/G+™ account for your vote to count - anyone without such an account can vote by emailing IHDCYH-IDSEA@hsc-ucsf.ca with the title of the video.

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IHDCYH Talks VIDEO COMPETITION



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Do not hesitate to contact us if you want to share something with the CHF Alliance community.