

PGME COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes Date: January 13, 2016 Time: 7:00-8:00am Location: HSA 101

Meeting called by	Dr. Chris Watling, Postgraduate Medical Education Associate Dean
Attendees	J. Creider, K. Faber, A. Haig, V. Hocke, S. Kane, S. Levin, M. Macpherson, K. Nitz, A. Power, M. Prefontaine, A. Proulx, R. Rai, S. Ratner, B. Rotenberg, K. Sequeira, T. Sexton, G. Tithecott, S. Rumas
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Agenda Topics

1. CBME Progress Report		Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . There will be a delay in implementation of CBME, possibly by as much as a year. The end destination and goals remain the same. . There have been concerns over the e-portfolio being developed by the Royal College, as well as support and training for programs in transition. . We may be a test site for the e-portfolio for a few programs to give critical feedback. 	
2. 2016 PGY-1 ORIENTATION		Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Given the way the calendar falls out this year, the first working day after July 1st is July 4th, which is too late to hold an orientation. . Consistent with other medical schools, we will hold our orientation on June 30th, and offer residents a lieu day in return. . The event will be recorded and documents made available for those unable to attend. . The scheduling of PGY-1s for call should be as minimal as possible until after the long weekend. 	

3. MCC ONLINE ORIENTATION PROGRAM		Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Aimed at international graduates and internationally-sponsored residents and fellows, but may be relevant to other residents . Provides orientation to Canadian ethical, legal, organizational, cultural and communication issues. . Includes case-based teaching on Aboriginal health, mental health, and cross-cultural communication, among other topics. 	
4. SURGICAL CLOSURES		Dr. B. Rotenberg
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . In 2015, there were up to 30% surgical closures in some specialties. These are mandated, budget-specific closures. Closures have been grouped over a short period of time, rather than dispersed throughout the year, disadvantaging residents on rotation at those times. . This is having an impact on residents as surgeons are under pressure to get through more cases and have less time for teaching. Emergency cases are a larger proportion of those seen, and tend to involve residents less . Solutions were discussed, including looking at moving residents to other sites to get the required experiences, or in extreme cases, reducing the overall number of residents. There has been some pushback from community hospitals that residents slow down procedures there. . Dr. Watling will investigate what the decision-making bodies are in the closures, and see whether or not they have educational or resident representation. 	
5. RESIDENT DOCTORS OF CANADA AWARDS		Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . The deadline for nominations is Monday, February 1 at 5pm. . Awards are given to individuals who have contributed to improving the lives of resident doctors in Canada, for efforts in Resident Wellness, Medical Education, and Service to Resident Doctors. . Awards are given to physicians, residents, administrators, and allied health professionals. 	
6. MCCQE PART I RESULT CHANGES		Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . The MCC notified programs that they had identified a systematic problem with the marking 	

	<p>of a few questions and have remarked the exams. A few students, none of them from Western, will find their status changed from fail to pass.</p> <p>. Some other students may receive a letter notifying them that their mark is slightly higher than they were initially informed.</p>
7. MCCQE PART II RESULTS	
	Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<p>. Of the 93 residents who took the MCCQE in the last administration, 17 failed, an 18% failure rate.</p> <p>. It was suggested that PDs reach out to all residents in general about that failure rate and open the door to give support.</p> <p>. Comparative rates to other schools will be obtained to see how these results compare across Canada.</p> <p>. Residents reported a general minimizing of how much time was needed to study for the MCCQE Part II.</p> <p>. Some teaching on taking OSCEs could be incorporated into faculty-wide events.</p>
8. CaRMS CITIZENSHIP DOCUMENTS	
	Dr. C. Watling
Discussion	<p>. To ensure no candidates are unfairly removed from consideration on rank lists due to concerns over whether or not their citizenship status will be met in time, citizenship documents will be housed at the PG offices.</p> <p>. Candidates should be ranked as programs desire, then the PG office will make sure they are eligible. If someone is not going to meet the eligibility criteria, the PG office will remove them from the lists and notify the program.</p>
9. AJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING	
Date and time	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 am.</p> <p>Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 10th, 2016, 7:00-8:00am, Health Sciences Addition (H101)</p>