
Dennis McElgunn Scholarship and Rounds

August 17, 2020

Dear Colleague,

We invite you to take part in an initiative to honour and preserve the memory of Dr. Dennis McElgunn.

As you may know, Dennis died earlier this year after providing 45 years of exemplary emergency medical care. This has been a major loss to our emergency team and the broader medical community.

A fund has been established to create the “Dennis McElgunn Scholarship and Rounds in Clinical Emergency Medicine”.

Each year the two third-year Royal College Emergency Medicine residents will be designated “The McElgunn Residents”. During that year, they will collect representative examples of the interesting and varied cases that come through our local emergency rooms. This will culminate in a grand rounds presentation of case vignettes (“The McElgunn Rounds”) which will highlight the fascinating breadth and humanity of emergency medicine. All departments will be welcome. The McElgunn residents will then receive a monetary award to enable them to pursue their clinical training.

Through this we hope to keep Dennis’ love for clinical medicine, patient care, and teaching alive while preserving his memory and honouring his contribution to the field of Emergency Medicine.

Our goal is to raise fifty thousand dollars. The VEPA group itself has raised over twenty!

Please distribute this letter and the following link to your medical staff and anyone else you deem appropriate. Be sure to read the short description of Dennis’ career and please donate. There is also a place to leave comments for Dennis’s family should you wish.

<https://memorial.support.ubc.ca/dr-dennis-mcelgunn/>

In appreciation and in Dennis’ memory,
Your VEPA colleagues.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher Morrow".

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