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GAÉTAN BARRETTE, Minister of Health and Social Services from Québec.

Monsieur Gaétan Barrette a été élu député de La Pinière, sur la Rive-Sud de Montréal, le 7 avril 2014, puis assermenté à titre de ministre de la Santé et des Services sociaux le 23 avril 2014. Auparavant, il était président de la Fédération des médecins spécialistes du Québec de 2006 à 2014, en plus de siéger à divers conseils d'administration dans le secteur de la santé, entre autres à celui de la Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec.



ANDREW B. BINDMAN, MD, Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology & Biostatistics, Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies, University of California San Francisco. Dr. Andy Bindman is a professor of medicine, epidemiology & biostatistics, and a core faculty member within the Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies at the University of California, San Francisco. He has a long-standing interest in health policy informed by his many years as primary care physician and health services researcher at San Francisco General Hospital. He has played several roles within the US federal government including as a health policy fellow within the Congress where he contributed to the drafting of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). He then worked for several years to implement the ACA as a senior adviser within the Department of Health and Human Services and as the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).



Fernando Cupertino, PhD, responsable des relations internationales au Conseil national des secrétaires d'État à la santé du Brésil-CONASS. Fernando Cupertino est médecin et professeur de Santé Collective à l'Université fédérale de Goiás (Brésil). Il détient une maîtrise en Santé collective, une maîtrise en Musique et un doctorat en Sciences de la santé. Ministre à la Santé de l'État de Goiás de 1999-2006 et présidente du Conseil national des secrétaires d'État à la santé du Brésil à deux reprises. En 2014 il a reçu le grade de chevalier de l'Ordre national du Québec. Sa thèse de doctorat (2016) a eu comme sujet le mode d'organisation des soins de santé primaires au Brésil et au Québec, dans une perspective d'analyse comparée. Il a fait également un stage postdoctoral à ComSanté (UQAM), touchant le sujet des soins de santé primaires, en octobre 2016.



DANIEL IMTIAZ is the Director, Financial Analytics and System Performance at the Ontario Hospital Association and an Adjunct Lecturer at the University of Toronto and York University. He lectures on Health Services Accounting and Health System Performance Measurement. He is a facilitator in the Leadership in Healthcare Program at the University of the West Indies and is on the Board of Directors at Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences.

Imtiaz is actively involved in Ontario's Health System Funding Reform and chairs various provincial sub-groups advising the Ministry of Health on funding methodologies. Imtiaz has a PhD in Health Services Research from the University of Toronto, a Masters in Health Administration, a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and is a Certified Professional Accountant (CPA).



Michèle De Guise, M.D., M.M. (IMHL), FRCPC.

Michèle de Guise has been the Director of health services and technology evaluation for the Institut national d'excellence en santé et en services sociaux (INESSS) in Québec since July 2015. She graduated from the Université de Montréal as a cardiologist and also completed a Master's degree in Management at McGill University. Before joining INESSS, she held various positions at the Centre hospitalier de l'Université de Montréal, including Assistant Chief Medical Officer for Quality and Practice Improvement.



Mark J. Dobrow, PhD

Dr. Mark Dobrow is an Associate Professor in the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto. Dr. Dobrow has held leadership roles at both national and provincial health care agencies, including Interim Vice-President of Health System Performance at Health Quality Ontario, Director of Analysis and Reporting at the Health Council of Canada, and Scientist and Lead of the Cancer Services and Policy Research Unit at Cancer Care Ontario. Dr. Dobrow has a PhD in health services and policy research from the University of Toronto, an MSc in epidemiology from the University of Edinburgh and a BComm in health care administration from the University of Saskatchewan. He also completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and was a Canadian Harkness fellow in The Commonwealth Fund's International Program in Health Policy and Practice. He is currently the President of the Justice Emmett Hall Memorial Foundation.



Vincent Dumez

Mr. Vincent Dumez holds a finance degree and a master's in science of management from Montreal's international business school Hautes Études Commerciales (HEC). Up until 2010, Mr. Dumez was an associate in one of Montreal's most influential consulting firm where he acted as a senior strategic consultant. Suffering from severe chronic diseases for more than three decades, M. Dumez has been actively involved in the promotion of the 'patient partner' concept at Université de Montréal. This involvement has come forward over the recent years through the completion of his master's dissertation on patient-doctor relationship, his contribution to the training of patients, his work on boards of healthcare organizations and his involvement as a speaker in healthcare conferences. Since 2010, Mr. Dumez has developed the patient partnership program at the Faculty of Medicine. He's now co-leading with Dr. Antoine Boivin the Centre of Excellence on Partnership with the patients and public.



Valerie Grdisa, RN, BScN, MS, PhD

For more than 25 years, Dr. Valerie Grdisa has held positions as a clinician (registered nurse and nurse practitioner), middle and senior manager, faculty and academic administrator, management consultant, and senior government official. In her government role, she was Senior Nursing Advisor, an assistant deputy minister level position, where she worked closely with ministers of health, the deputy minister and her assistant deputy colleagues on a wide range of projects, including the development of the health system blueprint (with a focus on people-powered care), an integrated health human resources strategy and a provincial nurse practitioner strategy. While in this role, she also established a provincial network of nurse executives and focused on bringing evidence-based nursing and health policy to the attention of decision-makers and politicians. She has held faculty positions (full-time, part-time, adjunct professor, or sessional) at seven universities in Canada, in both Ontario and Alberta. Currently, she has academic appointments at the University of Calgary, University of Alberta and University of Lethbridge.



Doug Manuel

Doug Manuel is a Senior Scientist of Ottawa Hospital Research Institute. He is a Clinical Scientist, C.T. Lamont Primary Health Care Research Centre and Elizabeth Bruyère Research Institute and an Associate Professor in the Departments of Family Medicine and Epidemiology and Community Medicine at the University of Ottawa. Dr. Manuel is a Senior Core Scientist at the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences, where he worked for 10 years prior to moving to Ottawa in 2008, and a Senior Medical Advisor for Statistics Canada. He is a physician with a Masters in Epidemiology and Royal College specialization in Public Health and Preventive Medicine. For over 25 years, he has been a primary care clinician in rural, remote and underserved Canadian communities. Dr. Manuel's research interest is the population health impact assessment of health interventions and the assessment of population health status. He has developed performance measures and planning tools for health planning and has written on how societies with the best population health have achieved their success.



Maria Mathews

Dr. Maria Mathews is a Professor of Health Policy/Health Care Delivery in the Division of Community Health & Humanities, Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University. Her research interests include physician workforce issues, primary health care, access to care, and health care in rural communities.



Rosemary Morgan

Rosemary Morgan is a Research Scientist at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, where she works predominately on the project "Research in Ethics and Gender (RinGs): Building Stronger Health Systems", an initiative which seeks to galvanize gender analysis and gender-responsive approaches within health systems and health systems research. She is a member of the Gender hub of the Global Health Workforce Network and will speak to the global gender transformative health workforce agenda.



Nathaniel Osgood

Nathaniel Osgood is a Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Associate Faculty in the Department of Community Health & Epidemiology at the University of Saskatchewan. His research is focused on providing cross-linked simulation, ubiquitous sensing, and machine learning tools to inform understanding of population health trends and health policy tradeoffs. His applications work has addressed challenges in the communicable, zoonotic, environmental, and chronic disease areas. Dr. Osgood is further the co-creator of two novel mobile sensor-based epidemiological monitoring systems, most recently the Google Android- and iPhone-based iEpi (now Ethica Health) mobile epidemiological monitoring systems. He has additionally contributed innovations to improve dynamic modeling quality and efficiency, introduced novel techniques hybridizing multiple simulation approaches and simulation models with decision analysis tools, and which leverage such models using data gathered from wireless epidemiological monitoring systems. Dr. Osgood has led many international courses in simulation modeling and health around the world, and his online videos on the subject attract thousands of views per month. Prior to joining the U of S faculty, he graduated from MIT with a PhD in Computer Science in 1999, served as a Senior Lecturer at MIT and worked for a number of years in a variety of academic, consulting and industry positions.



Suzanne Rochford

Suzanne Rochford is Director of User Experience for TELUS Health solutions where she has successfully lead a transition to a customer centric design culture including a deep awareness of clinical and patient user needs and workflows which drives innovative and effective product design solutions for health care in Canada. Suzanne also initiated and leads a research program with engagement across multiple colleges and universities. Suzanne's career experience includes providing over 20 years of best in class user centered design leadership for complex systems in healthcare, telecommunications, nuclear, transportation and aeronautics. She holds a bachelors and master's in industrial engineering specialising in human factors from the University of Toronto and is registered professional engineer in Ontario.



Laura Rosella

Dr. Laura Rosella is an Assistant Professor and epidemiologist at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health at the University of Toronto where she is also the Program Director for the PhD program in Epidemiology. Dr. Rosella currently holds a Canada Research Chair in Population Health Analytics and appointments at the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) and Public Health Ontario. She has authored several publications in the area of public health, public health policy, and health services research. She has a strong research focus on linking prevention efforts to health system sustainability and reductions in premature mortality.



Denis Roy

Dr. Denis A. Roy holds a community medicine specialty and is a Harkness Fellow of the Commonwealth Fund in Health Policy. Since May 2015, he serves as Vice-President, Science and Clinical Governance at Institut national d'excellence en santé et services sociaux. From 2009 to 2015, as Vice-President, Scientific Affairs, he has been responsible of the Institut National de Santé Publique du Québec comprehensive scientific program on the determinants of population health. Dr. Roy has also been president of the Board of l'Initiative sur le Partage des Connaissances et le Développement des Compétences, a province-wide capacity building consortium aimed at health system improvement. He is the proud co-author of a reference book on health networks' management and governance. Previously, Dr. Roy has occupied three other executive leadership positions at l'Agence de la Santé et des Services Sociaux de la Montérégie, at the Quebec Health and Social Services Ministry and at the Montreal Public Health Department. Dr. Roy holds an MD from Laval University. In addition, he earned a Master of Public Health at University of California, Berkeley, and a Master of Science (Epidemiology) at McGill University. A fellow of the Royal College of Physicians in Community Medicine, he has been honoured with some prestigious awards, including an Excellence Award by the Quebec Association of Community Health Physicians. He is currently the only Canadian to have received twice the Canadian Health Research Advancement Award, which he obtained due to his outstanding work with two different teams, in the Montréal and Montérégie regions.



Lisa Simpson

Dr. Lisa Simpson has been the President and Chief Executive Officer of AcademyHealth since 2011. A nationally recognized health policy researcher and pediatrician, she is a passionate advocate for the translation of research into policy and practice. Her research, and over 90 articles and commentaries in peer reviewed journals, focuses on the role of evidence and data to improve health and healthcare, particularly for children and vulnerable populations. Before joining AcademyHealth, Dr. Simpson spent eight years as a professor of pediatrics, first as an Endowed Chair in Child Health Policy at the University of South Florida and then as the Director of the Child Policy Research Center at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati. She served as the Deputy Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality from 1996 to 2002. Dr. Simpson serves on the Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholars Program National Advisory Council, the Board of Directors of the Institute for Accountable Care, and the Editorial boards for the Journal of Comparative Effectiveness Research and Healthcare: The Journal of Delivery Science and Innovation. In October 2013, Dr. Simpson was elected to the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine). Dr. Simpson earned her undergraduate and medical degrees at Trinity College (Dublin, Ireland), a master's in public health at the University of Hawaii, and completed a post-doctoral fellowship in health services research and health policy at the University of California, San Francisco. She was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by the Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies in 2013. Dr. Simpson's areas of expertise include translating research into policy; quality and safety of health care; health and health care disparities; childhood obesity; and child health services.



Vasanthi Srinivasan

Dr. Vasanthi Srinivasan is the founding Executive Director of the Ontario Strategy for Patient- Oriented Research (SPOR) SUPPORT Unit. Until December 2013, Vasanthi was the Assistant Deputy Minister of the Health Systems Strategy and Policy Division. She was also the lead for the research program for the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. She has held several senior management positions at the federal and provincial levels of government. Vasanthi holds a PHD from the University of Ottawa and has led several key policy and research initiatives. She has served at the national and international levels in social policy areas such as health and immigration with a particular focus on seniors, aboriginal peoples and women's issues. During her tenure in the Policy Research Initiative of the Privy Council Office of Canada, she was seconded to the Cabinet Office in the United Kingdom to the Performance and Innovation Unit. While in London, she co-authored a white paper on Immigration and Integration Issues and created the Strategic Futures Group that led horizontal policy development for Whitehall, the Scottish Executive, the Welsh Assembly and Northern Ireland. Vasanthi was awarded the prestigious Head of the Public Service of Canada Award for her work on the Metropolis Project established to conduct policy research on immigration and integration in cities lead by Canada and involving 18 countries. As Assistant Deputy Minister at the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, Vasanthi was the lead of two teams that won the coveted Amethyst Awards for the Ontario Mental Health and Addiction Strategy and for the work of the Trilateral Committee addressing First Nations and Aboriginal issues.



Dr. Robyn Tamblyn, BScN, MSc, PhD, CM
Professor, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University

Dr. Robyn Tamblyn is a Professor of Medicine, a James McGill Chair, and a Medical Scientist at McGill University. She is Scientific Director of the McGill Clinical and Health Informatics Research Group and since January 2011, she is Scientific Director of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Institute of Health Services and Policy Research. In 2005 she received the CHSRF KT award for research in improving medication use and in 2006 she received the ACFAS Bombardier award for innovation in the development of a drug management system. In 2014, Dr Tamblyn received the John P. Hubbard Award for outstanding achievement in the assessment of professional competency in health care and medical education and the same year, she was appointed to the Order of Canada. In 2015 she received the Outstanding Achievement Award in the Evaluation of Clinical Competence for sustained excellence in Canadian health care and health care research from the Medical Council of Canada. Recently, Dr Tamblyn was selected as the 2018 Justice Emmett Hall Laureate.



Leslee Thompson

Leslee is the driving force behind the People Powered Health movement ignited by Accreditation Canada and the newly created Health Standards Organization (HSO). After her appointment as CEO in 2016, she led a 12-month global consultation and business design process, and now Leslee and her team are unleashing the power and potential of people around the world who share their passion for achieving quality health services for all. Armed with 25 years of senior executive and corporate director experience that spans multiple geographies and sectors including health care, medical technology, government and retail, Leslee is a leader who makes things happen. Her clinical roots as a Registered Nurse continue to influence her relentless pursuit of quality and safety in health care, and Leslee has become internationally recognized for her work on partnering with patients to improve outcomes. Having successfully led many organizations and systems through tough periods of change, including the high-profile turnaround of a major teaching hospital where she was CEO, Leslee is Chair of the Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement, Chair of Council of Academic Hospital Ontario, Assistant Professor at Queen's University and a member of Ontario Health Innovation Council to name a few.



Walter P. Wodchis, PhD

Walter Wodchis, PhD, is Professor at the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto and Research Chair in Implementation and Evaluation Science at the Institute for Better Health, Trillium Health Partners. His main research interests are health economics and financing and health care policy evaluation. Through his research programs which include more than 30 collaborating researchers and as many trainees, Dr. Wodchis has lead several studies examining complex needs of high cost patient groups, the implementation of integrated care programs to address those needs, and evaluations for a number of integrated care programs in Ontario.