April 2019 Newsletter

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Oncologist in the Hot Seat: Dr. Jason Hart

Dr. Jason Hart is a medical oncologist at BC Cancer – Victoria. He trained in Hematology and Medical Oncology in Edmonton, Alberta, before joining the Medical Oncology team at BC Cancer - Victoria in 2005. He served as the Department Head of Medical Oncology in Victoria since January 2016, and was subsequently appointed Regional Medical Director for BC Cancer - Victoria in October 2018. He is currently a Clinical Associate Professor with the Department of Medicine at both the University of British Columbia, and University of Victoria. Areas of clinical practice and research interests include benign and malignant hematology, as well as sarcoma. He has an interest in pharmacoeconomics, and he currently serves with the pan-Canadian Oncology Drug Review (pCODR), as a clinical guidance panel member and review leader.

Have a burning question related to work-life balance, leadership, mentorship, or career development?

We have been featuring esteemed oncologists across Canada since 2013. From British Columbia, we are very pleased to introduce Dr. Jason Hart.

Send your questions to winc@womenincancer.org to have them answered by our Oncologist in the Hot Seat!

Nominate the next Mentor of the Month!

WinC/AlinC provides a platform to increase visibility of great mentors on an international level. If you have someone in mind that has been an important mentor to you please email our Project Manager at winc@womenincancer.org by May 10th!

Article Recommendation:
How female physicians are supporting each other in addressing professional inequities
Wendy Glauser

“Women are also devising ways to give each other’s voices more weight in medical leadership meetings. Dr. Kim Kelly … says women on her board use the “amplification” technique. “When a female board members states something that is ignored, we repeat it, we draw attention to it, and we make sure the speaker gets credit for it,””

Check out this article to learn more about initiatives for women in medicine and how professional inequities for female physicians can be addressed.
The association between mentoring and training outcomes in junior doctors in medicine: an observational study

Mentored and non-mentored core medical trainees from within the UK were surveyed to determine whether there is a positive association between mentorship and training outcomes. They found that mentored trainees reported higher pass rates for the Membership of the Royal College of Physicians examination and the Annual Review of Competency Progression, as well as higher confidence! Follow the link below to learn more about their study and findings.

https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/8/9/e020721

Did being mentored improve your confidence?

Responses from mentored trainees

Upcoming Events:

WinC / AlinC AGM
Toronto, ON
May 3rd, 2019

Podcast Recommendation

Family Docs: The Early Years

In Family Docs: The Early Years, various members of the OCFP Early Years in Practice Committee share insights on topics such as the importance of leadership, qualities of a good leader, mentoring opportunities, and physician wellness and mindfulness. These skills transfer across all specialties.

Book Recommendation

Preparing Physicians to Lead in the 21st Century (Advances in Medical Education, Research, and Ethics)


A guide that introduces different approaches to training physician leaders and discusses the impact of such training on the delivery of healthcare, as well as the personal and professional life of physicians.
As networking and mentorship are invaluable to medicine and advancements in the field of oncology, All in Cancer (AlinC) and Women in Cancer (WinC) were developed to improve mentorship connections, provide leadership skills resources, and improve collaboration amongst oncologists through a secure online networking platform.

Encourage your colleagues to join the largest online networking forum for medical, radiation, surgical, and hematological oncologists and trainees in Canada.

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