

# DIVISION OF GASTROENTEROLOGY AND HEPATOLOGY CITY WIDE ROUNDS

Monday, June 14, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

## TRANSFORMATION OF THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM; IS ANYTHING REALLY GOING TO CHANGE?

### Learning Objectives:

1. Review aims of Medicare
2. Describe recent trends in evolution of health systems
3. Explain OHTs and why they may, or may not, succeed
4. Set out the role of physicians in system transformation



### Dr. James G. Wright (CM, MD, MPH, FRCSC, FRCS Ed)

Dr. Wright has had a distinguished career. Dr. Wright is currently Chief of Economic, Policy and Research at the Ontario Medical Association. Most recently, he was Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom. Previously, he was Chief of Perioperative Services, and Surgeon-in-Chief, Department of Surgery, and Vice President, Medical at The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids). Jim oversaw one of the busiest and most advanced paediatric surgery departments in Canada.

Jim was previously the President of the Paediatric Specialties Association, a \$60M Practice Plan of over 100 physicians. In his role as Vice President, Medical, Dr. Wright was executive medical lead for the quality and risk teams, providing guidance and expertise on advancing the quality of clinical care and services. Jim worked with senior staff to set organizational goals and objectives for clinical quality and had accountability for the Centre for Patient Safety, working closely with teams to advance the culture of safety, through research and education. As chair of Medical Affairs, he oversaw the appointment process, and ensured the credentialing and licensing protocols were in

place for all physicians annually and when new-hires joined the hospital. He also was Chair of the Medical Advisory Committee.

Equally active in education, Jim won the Robert B. Salter Excellence in Orthopaedic Education Award in May of 1997. Since 1994, he has served as (or is currently serving as) primary or secondary supervisor for more than 30 MSc or PhD students. He has been an ABC fellow. He is the recipient of numerous awards including the Kappa Delta Award of AAOS, the Arthur Huene Award of POSNA, and the inaugural President's Award from SickKids. Dr. Wright was Chair of the Paediatric Surgical Chiefs of Canada and lead for the Canadian Paediatric Surgical Wait Time Project.

In 2016 he was awarded the Order of Canada, Canada's highest civilian order.

Jim completed his surgical training at the University of Toronto, a clinical fellowship in Melbourne, Australia, graduate work in clinical epidemiology and a fellowship in the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at Yale University.

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