Dr. SUSAN SHAW RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP
at the 6th annual Dr. Dennis A. Kendel Distinguished Service Award Reception

SASKATOON, NOVEMBER 24, 2017 – During a special awards banquet held on November 24th, 2017, the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan presented Dr. Susan Shaw (see biography below), a critical care physician and anesthesiologist in Saskatoon, with the prestigious Dr. Dennis A. Kendel Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to physician leadership and/or to physician engagement in quality improvements in health care in Saskatchewan.

“I consider myself incredibly privileged that my work allows me to move back and forth from my patients’ bedside to meeting and board rooms. This gives me the chance to see both the challenges our patients, families and staff experience within the system, and all the opportunities we have to improve health and care by working together as partners,” stated Dr. Susan Shaw. “I am very grateful for the coaching and support I have received from my patients and colleagues over the years.”

Dr. Alan Beggs, President of the College Council, was onsite to present Dr. Shaw with the award: “It gives Council great pleasure to present this award to a physician who has, and continues to provide a positive influence on the quality of healthcare dispensed to patients across Saskatchewan. To be identified by one’s colleagues as deserving of specific recognition as a leader or innovator in our common profession is probably the greatest honor a physician can receive.”

As chair of the Health Quality Council, and in her own professional appointments, Dr. Susan Shaw has worked tirelessly to promote enhanced patient care and overall quality of the healthcare system. As one nominating colleague indicated, “While she is someone who is known for having all the factual details and numbers correct, she is also a person who can connect with people, especially her peers. I believe that such a quality is part of what makes Dr. Shaw so effective at her work.”

The Dr. Dennis A. Kendel Distinguished Service Award was named in honour of Dr. Dennis Kendel, who retired in 2011 after a long career as Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan. Past recipients are Dr. Oberholzer and Dr. Helms of Radville (2012), Dr. Marilyn Baetz of Saskatoon (2013), Dr. William Albritton (2014), Dr. Ryan Meili and Dr. Mark Wahba (2015), and Dr. Corrine Jabs (2016).
To complement the award presentation, a further twenty-one (21) recipients were honoured with **Senior Life Designation 2017** (for having held a license to practice medicine in Saskatchewan for a cumulative total of 40 years) for their lifelong contribution, as per the Medical Profession Act.

These are Dr. Shahabuddin Ahmad, Dr. Qureshi Ahmed, Dr. Enrico Cabigon, Dr. Beverly Coates, Dr. Steven Goluboff, Dr. Rizqi Ibrahim, Dr. Daniel Johnson, Dr. Brian Laursen, Dr. Dwight Loback, Dr. Lalita Malhotra, Dr. Tilak Malhotra (In Memoriam), Dr. Alan Miller, Dr. Hasan Moolla, Dr. Mohammed Raffath Sayeed, Dr., Sushama Shukla, Dr. Narinder Sood, Dr. Om Sood, Dr. Betty Spooner, Dr. Kenneth Stakiw, Dr. Boyd Stewart and Dr. Terrence Zlipko.

The mission of the **College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan** is to serve the public by regulating the practice of medicine and guiding the profession to achieve the highest standards of care. It currently issues licenses to approximately 2500 physicians and surgeons in the province, as well as over 1700 corporate permits.
BIOGRAPHIES

Dr. Dennis A. Kendel Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Susan Shaw obtained her M.D. with Great Distinction at the College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan, where she also completed her Residency in Anaesthesia. In 2001, she attended Stanford University in California, in 2004, became a Fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians, and in 2008, became a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

She has held a variety of professional positions within the Saskatoon Health Region, including as Department Head of Adult Critical Care, and currently works in Anesthesiology, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management. She is a faculty member at the University of Saskatchewan, where she actively teaches, mentors and encourages other physicians to develop quality improvement and leadership skills.

She is co-leader of the Saskatoon Health Region Safety Hoshin, a team of employees who worked together to build a stronger safety culture by focusing on stronger partnerships. She had previously held the position of Leader of Physicians Relationships and Leadership Development for the Saskatoon Health Region.

Dr. Susan Shaw has been involved in numerous internal and external committees, including the Standing Committee on Appeals at the University of Saskatchewan’s College of Medicine, is co-chair of the Subcommittee for Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy and has been appointed as Board Chair for the Saskatchewan Health Quality Council since 2011. She was a clinical co-lead of the Saskatchewan Surgical initiative – the first province-wide, health system improvement initiative in Saskatchewan. She is also clinical co-lead of the governance group of the provincial Appropriateness of Care Program, which has engaged wide participation and engagement of physicians in clinical quality improvement projects across the province.

She has been the recipient of several awards within the Health Region for her quality work, and from 2012-2015, was named one of The Medical Post’s “Top 20 Doctors to Watch”. She is the author of three published abstracts, and has been invited to speak on quality improvement in healthcare at numerous conferences, including at the International Forum on Quality and Safety in Healthcare in Paris, France. She has also led or co-led four peer-reviewed projects awarded research grants.

A married mother of two teenaged children, she enjoys family, friends, food fitness, books, travel, downhill skiing and attending her children’s volleyball and baseball games.
Dr. Shahabuddin Ahmad

Born in Bangladesh, Dr. Shahabuddin Amad first moved to the United States to do his rotating internship in internal medicine from 1963 to 1967. Later, in 1973, he came to Edmonton, Alberta, where he trained in pulmonary medicine until 1975.

In 1976, he moved to North Battleford, Saskatchewan, for a position with the Prairie North Health Region where he still practices today, specializing in Internal Medicine and Pulmonary Medicine.

He enjoys travelling, golf, soccer and badminton.
Dr. Enrico Cabigon

Born and educated in the Philippines, Dr. Enrico Cabigon began his career in general private practice in Basey, Samar, Philippines. He then moved on to a position as a company physician for a logging company, followed by positions as hospital physician at Valladolid Emergency Hospital, municipal health officer and later, as company physician for Balisen Resort.

He obtained his first Canadian position, a Rotating Internship with the Regina General Hospital, in 1975. He later took the Radiology Residency Training Program at the U of S, furthered his training in Anatomic Pathology at McGill University, and obtained his Fellowship in Pathology at McMaster University, before settling into his current position in Regina, where he is proud to have been a part of the Department of Pathology/Cytology at the Pasqua Hospital for the last 34 years, working with “the nicest colleagues, laboratory technicians and secretaries”.

He is married with two children; his daughter has a Law degree from McGill University, and his son is currently undergoing his residency training in Emergency Medicine at the U of S. Dr. Cabigon enjoys reading thriller fiction novels and travelling.
Dr. Steven Goluboff

After obtaining his MD at the U of S, Dr. Steven Goluboff completed his Family Medicine residency in Toronto before returning to Saskatchewan.

Dr. Goluboff was in family practice in Loon Lake, SK (1975-1978), then Tacoma, Washington for three years, before returning to Saskatoon in 1981 to join the City Centre Family Physicians clinic. He has taught scores of students at the College of Medicine and has been president of the Saskatchewan Chapter of the College of Family Physicians, where he has served on multiple committees, including the Newborn & Maternal Care Committee, and the Canadian Family Physician Editorial Advisory Board. His experience is broad-based, with a special interest in issues relating to ADHD as well as Chronic Pain.

In his personal life, he was privileged to have been selected as recipient of the B’rai Brett “We’re Proud of You” Award in 2005 in recognition of his community service both in the Jewish Community and the general community of Saskatoon. He has been the editor of their community magazine, “The Bulletin” for 27 years. Married to Leila Goluboff, he describes being a father and grandfather as a pleasure beyond description! An avid golfer, he enjoys puttering in the garden, works out regularly at the gym, and plans to remain in active practice (well, ...at least for a couple of years!).
Dr. Rizqi Ibrahim

Born in Basra, Iraq, and educated in Cairo, Egypt, Dr. Rizqi Ibrahim obtained a rotating Internship at Saskatoon City Hospital in 1971 before moving to Swift Current the next year to practice family medicine. His interests lay with mentoring undergrads and Family Medicine Residents, as well as with sports medicine. He was the team physician for the Swift Current Broncos for 29 years, and also for the Team Canada hockey team for 5 years.

He served as President of the Saskatchewan Chapter of College of Family Physicians in 1983 and of Saskatchewan Medical Association in 1990, and was the recipient of the Family Physicians of the Year in 1997 and the PAIRS Teacher of the Year Award in 2013.

Dr. Ibrahim and his wife, Dianne, now live in Lac Pelletier, Saskatchewan, where his new interests lay with golf and gardening. They have been married for 43 years and have two daughters (a musician and a registered nurse/entrepreneur) and four grandchildren.
Dr. Daniel Johnson obtained his medical degree from the U of S, and worked at the Hospital for Sick Children in 1971-1972. He did a Family Medicine Residency at the University of Western Ontario from 1972-1974, obtaining his CCFP in 1974.

He practiced family medicine briefly in Prince Edward Island before returning to Saskatchewan and settling in Kindersley in 1975, where he still practices family medicine today. Since 2015, he has also been working as a locum for the Heartland Health Region.

In 2012, he was awarded Saskatchewan Family Physician of the Year. This was especially important to him as he had a great deal of respect for the physician who nominated him.

Dr. Johnson has always shown an interest in his kids’ activities, such as volleyball, basketball, and speed swimming, which he coached for several years. He was a member of the Kindersley Alcohol & Drug abuse Society, and President of the Kindersley Kinsmen Club. He also helped provide medical care for two international baseball tournaments, and organized health care for an international hockey tournament, and the Saskatchewan Winter Games.
Dr. Lalita Malhotra

Born in New Delhi, Dr. Lalita Malhotra trained in England for several years before moving to Canada with her husband, Dr. Tilak Malhotra, to open a medical practice in Prince Albert in 1975, where to this day, she practices obstetrics and gynecology with a special interest in high risk pregnancies and menopause.

She is currently Chair of the Discipline Committee at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, and has served as board and committee member with the Prince Albert Parkland Health Authority and the Prince Albert Health District, on the Advisory Council for the Order of Canada to the Governor General, has been involved with several local community initiatives such as Citizenship Court, Norsask Association, the Girl Guides, and many fundraisers, and is an active member of the Hindu Society of Saskatchewan.

Throughout her career, Dr. Lalita Malhotra’s outstanding contributions have been recognized on numerous occasions, and she has been the recipient of multiple awards of excellence for both her medical and community work, including the Order of Canada (2006), the Saskatchewan Order of Merit Award (2011), and most recently a star blanket award she received at the beginning of November 2017 from the Prince Albert Grand Council for her service to Indigenous communities in caring for and nurturing aboriginal women.

She was listed in Canadian Living as one of 35 Powerful Women of Canada. Today, she is working on a BBC 50th Anniversary of the Order of Canada project for the end of November to promote education for Aboriginal students in Grades 10 to 12.
Dr. Tilak Malhotra

In memoriam

Born in Punjab, India, Dr. Tilak Malhotra moved to the UK to obtain his postgraduate fellowships in Paediatrics and Internal Medicine, then to Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, where he spent his career in service to the community. For 20 years, he was the only paediatrician serving the whole north, and worked hard to improve nutrition and health among Aboriginal children, including serving on the Nutrition Board at the Canadian Pediatrics Society to fight obesity in Children.

Dr. Malhotra was a former President and Board Member of the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan since 2006 (Prince Albert Parkland Region/Mamawetan Churchill River/Athabasca).

He also served on national, provincial and local health-related committees and boards, including with the Canadian Pediatrics Society, the Saskatchewan Pediatric Society and the Saskatchewan Medical Association. He and his wife, Dr. Lalita Malhotra, also collaborated with the Indian Council of Medical Research and the Government of Saskatchewan on a project for screening of cervical cancer.

He was the recipient of the Lt. Governor General of Saskatchewan’s Centennial Medial in 2005, was named Provincial Pediatrician of the year, and received a lifetime achievement award from the Canadian Medical Association and the Saskatchewan Medical Association.
Dr. Allan Miller

Originally from Weyburn, Dr. Allan Miller was educated in both Saskatoon and Regina, where he completed his Family Medicine Residency. Since 1976, he has worked in full service family practice in Regina. He served in various positions with the Saskatchewan Medical Association, as Saskatchewan’s Director at the CMA Board, and as member of the CMA Council on Health Policy and Economics. He was proud to receive Honorary Senior Life Memberships from the SMA and the CMA.

Dr. Miller was a founding board member of the Saskatchewan Health Information Network and a member of a Pharmacy Information Program’s Clinical Working Group. The notion of an electronic medical record had been an interest of his since he took a computer science class in his first year in medical school; not having had the chance to use one before leaving clinical practice was one of his greatest disappointments.

“Practising with a small group of like-minded and supportive associates for my entire clinical career is definitely my greatest source of professional pride and satisfaction. The long-term professional relationships I had with my patients was very rewarding. They still ask my advice when I bump into them around town!”

He and his wife, Valerie share a very strong commitment to family. They have two daughters, the eldest of which is a nurse who has toiled on the front lines at several small hospitals in Alberta, and the other is a veterinarian in Regina. They also have five grandchildren. Dr. Miller’s hobbies include walking, bicycle riding, golf and home handyman/home renovation; he loves building or fixing things with his own hands. Since retiring, he has become an avid reader.
Dr. Hasan Moolla

Born in 1938. Dr. Hasan Moolla graduated in 1964 from the Rangoon Medical College in Burma.

After the coup d’État in Burma, Dr. Moolla emigrated to the United Kingdom, where he worked in hospitals for 4 years.

He then began working in family practice, which he pursued for approximately 8 years.

In 1976, he and his family decided to emigrate to Saskatchewan, and never looked back. He now works as a family physician out of Battleford, Saskatchewan.

Dr. Moolla and his wife have 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, and are quite happy to live in Canada as one big family.
Dr. Raffath Sayeed

After first practising for a short time in India and the UK, Dr. Mohammed (Raffath) Sayeed came to Lloydminster in 1976 where he has been in general practice since then, more specifically in Sports Medicine, Aviation Medicine, Developmental Delay, No-Scalpel Vasectomies, Immigration Medicals, Circumcisions and Methadone Treatments.

He has been President as well as Chief of Staff at the Lloydminster hospital, and has also served on the Council of the College.

Outside his practice, Dr. Sayeed has been very involved in the community, sitting on the board of various human rights organizations such as the Alberta Human Rights Commission (Chair, and extensive work in the province of Saskatchewan); the Bea Fisher Centre for persons with developmental disabilities; the Canadian Community Living Foundation; the Canadian Association for Community Living; Concerned Citizens for Senior Care Lloydminster; and has held various board positions with Jr. A. Hockey, the Lloydminster Rowing Club, the Lions, the Freemasons, the Rotary Club, and more. He was also a member of the Ministers Consultative Committee on Tolerance & Understanding for Alberta Education, and a Recipient of the Queen’s Golden Jubilee Medal.

Dr. Sayeed and his wife, Zuhy, have been married for 40 years, and have 4 sons and 4 grandchildren.
Born in Indore, India, Dr. Sushma Shukla attended university in her home city before moving to Glasgow, Ireland and to England to complete her residency training. Canada would be her next destination.

She moved to Radville in 1974 where she stayed for 2 years before moving to Big River to work in family medicine in 1976, where she stayed until 1996. She and her husband, Dr. Karunakar Shukla, then came to Saskatoon to pursue their careers in family medicine.

Dr. Shukla is proud to been able to practice medicine while raising her three children, all of whom attended medical school in Saskatoon. Her son, Dino Shukla, is an Ottawa-trained Intervention Cardiologist in Sudbury, Ontario. Her daughter, Vershalee Shukla is a Radiation Oncologist in Phoenix, Arizona, and a second daughter, Shefalee Shukla, is an Ophthalmologist in Saskatoon.

In her spare time, she enjoys visiting family and travelling.
As a U of S graduate, Dr. Boyd Stewart spent most of his career from 1975 to 2015 in rural family medicine in Weyburn, with duties ranging from office practice to ER, obstetrics, T & A’s, anesthesia, ICU, general medicine and pediatrics. In 2015, he retired from general practice, but still works doing GP anesthesia for Sun Country in Estevan and Weyburn. He is proud to have provided services as a G.P. anesthetist in Weyburn, Estevan and occasionally Moose Jaw to ensure operating rooms remained opened, as GP anesthesia is an intrinsic part of rural medicine.

Dr. Stewart was a board member for the Saskatchewan Medical Association from 1998 to 2007, during which he served one term as president. From 2011 to 2014, he was a board member for the Canadian Medical Association.

Dr. Stewart and his wife, Margaret, have 3 children: an anesthesiologist, a teacher and a mechanical engineer, in addition to 8 grandchildren. He has been playing Old Timers hockey since 1976, and was on the board that fundraised and built a second rink in Weyburn. In 1986, he and his wife built a home on a parcel of land east of town, which they expanded into a 475-acre farm. Dr. Stewart gradually obtained the machinery to work the land himself. They also maintain a family cottage at Kenosee Lake/Moose Mountain Park.