

News from the Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS)

The Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS) had a highly successful annual meeting in Ottawa, June 24th through 28th, 2009.

The International Child Health Section of CPS is working together with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) to enhance educational and information activities of both societies. They have developed a curriculum for pediatric residents who plan to work overseas. The curriculum includes global child mortality, malnutrition, refugee and immigrant health, and returning travelers. It will roll out for pediatric residents in September 2009.

The Canadian project, "Health Child Uganda" continues to expand with great training opportunities for residents and with involvement in the training of community health workers as a priority. Alberta Rotary Club Associations have been very helpful in supporting residents' travel.

The Hillman International Travel Awards for Canadian pediatric residents have been extremely successful. The travel of two residents a year is supported by this CPS fund.

Journal Club/Book Clubs on international health are being developed locally across the country.

It was noted that there will be a conference in Toronto on November 24 – 25, 2009 concerning refugee status.

The next CPS conference is in Vancouver, June 17 – 20, 2010.

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