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Dear colleagues,

As you have likely heard, the CFPC (College of Family Physicians of Canada) issued a statement on November 8th to say it is ceasing the implementation of a three-year curriculum for family practice residency training.

I have received many messages of concern, and I'd like to take a moment to follow up on Monday's email, and clarify the status of our curriculum renewal activities.

From the start, we have sought to answer this question: How can we create a training program that will best prepare our residents for independent practice, now and in the future?

Whether that program gets delivered over two years, three years, or somewhere in between, the goal remains unchanged. The research and development activities we've undertaken thus far remain central to curriculum improvement and renewal. The CFPC has indicated that the curriculum development activities will continue. Furthermore, this renewal process is essential in meeting accreditation standards and must continue.

Recent events have only highlighted the need for ongoing consultation; we need as many voices as possible at this table. As we continue to engage with our local communities, learners, and family medicine clinician educators, we ask you please to join us. Please continue to encourage physician colleagues and residents to engage with us through participation in discussion groups and completion of surveys to help us identify needs and enhance our curriculum.

Together, we will better identify our teaching strengths and gaps to build a robust training program for the future.

For ongoing updates on our findings and activities, we invite you to visit this webpage: <https://fmer-remf.ca/project/family-medicine-residency-curriculum-renewal/>

With many thanks for your ongoing input and collaboration,

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