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Dr. Matthew Weiss nominated to position of Medical Director of Organ Donation



Transplant Québec is pleased to announce the nomination of Dr. Matthew Weiss to the position of medical director of organ donation after a meeting of the administrative council on March 8, 2017. Dr. Weiss will begin his mandate on April 11 and succeeds Dr. Jean-François Lizé.

Dr. Weiss, is a pediatric intensivist working CHU de Québec - Université Laval (site Centre Mère-Enfant Soleil) since 2010 where he also acts as the medical specialist coordinator in organ and tissue donation.

His increased professional interest in organ donation began after witnessing the disappointment of the family of a young potential donor for whom he and his medical team were not able to offer the possibility organ donation because his centre had not yet developed a program of pediatric donation after circulatory determination of death (pDCD). Since that time he has invested time and energy in the development of organ donation at several levels. He is the co-president of the organ and tissue committee at the CHU de Québec-Université Laval and president of the Canadian committee for the development of clinical practice guidelines for pDCD. He is currently active in the development of multiple other guidelines related to deceased organ donation, building on the expertise created within Canadian Blood Services in the creation of the pDCD guidelines.

Dr. Weiss received his medical degree from the University of Kansas in the United States in 2003, his certification in pediatrics from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in 2012, and his certification in pediatric intensive care from the Royal College in 2013. He completed his pediatric training and pediatric critical care fellowship at McGill University. He is a member of the College of Physicians of Québec and is also a clinical



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assistant professor at the faculty of medicine at the Université Laval and is also a clinical research associate of the CHU de Québec-Université Laval research center.

Dr. Weiss is also the author of several scientific publications and communications. He is a member of several national and international scientific societies and has received several awards and honors during his career.

He will work in close collaboration with Dr. Prosanto Chaudhury, medical director of transplantation, along with the rest of the Transplant Québec team and the larger community of health care professionals throughout Québec.

We warmly welcome Dr. Weiss as the newest member of the Transplant Québec team.

SOMMAIRE DE FONCTION - Directeur médical - don d'organes:

Sous l'autorité du directeur général, le directeur médical – don d'organes exerce un leadership médical et un rôle conseil sur les questions liées au don d'organes pour Transplant Québec et pour l'ensemble de la communauté du don et de la transplantation. Il travaille en étroite collaboration avec le directeur médical – transplantation d'organes. Il assure un leadership et offre un soutien aux médecins spécialistes coordonnateurs en don et transplantation d'organes et de tissus et aux intensivistes ou aux médecins exerçant aux soins critiques, avec pour objectif de favoriser le développement d'une culture du don d'organes au Québec. Il contribue au développement du système de don et des activités qui y sont liées. Il agit également comme professionnel ressource au plan clinique et participe directement aux activités d'enseignement et de formation en soutien au développement hospitalier sur l'ensemble des aspects liés au don et à la transplantation, avec pour vision d'optimiser les opportunités de dons à des fins de transplantation. Il participe aux activités cliniques et administratives liées au mandat de Transplant Québec. Il contribue, selon ses moyens, à la réalisation de projets de recherche.