SAC Member Elected to IOF Committee of Scientific Advisors

Dr. Aliya Khan, a member of our Scientific Advisory Council and Executive Committee has been elected as a new member of the IOF Committee of Scientific Advisors (CSA). The CSA represents the basis of IOF’s scientific integrity and is composed of members from the medical and scientific community. Membership is based on scientific merit. The mandate of CSA is to advise the Board on scientific matters related to IOF and its objectives to further clinical and basic research. Particular emphasis is placed on the international dimensions of policy and practice in the care of osteoporosis and musculoskeletal disorders. The scientific accuracy of all IOF communications is verified by CSA, which also establishes working groups and conducts research projects according to need and the interests and expertise of the membership.

Congratulations Dr. Khan!

Watch Osteoporosis Canada’s Newest Video: Facing Osteoporosis

Watch and listen to the video of people living with osteoporosis share their personal stories of diagnosis and living with the disease.
New Award Available in 2017

Osteoporosis Canada is pleased to provide a research studentship award to support training of a M.Sc. or Ph.D. candidate. This studentship research award is for direct support of the candidate and is not to be used to fund the actual research project. The candidate is expected to have an exceptionally high potential for future research achievement and productivity. The maximum amount of the single award is $10,000 for one year, subject to availability of funds. OC reserves the right to not fund at one or both levels if no suitable candidates apply. OC aims to fund one M.Sc. and one Ph.D., yet may fund two M.Sc. or two Ph.D. awards depending on strength of the applications relative to stage of career. Application Forms for all Osteoporosis Canada Awards can be found at http://www.osteoporosis.ca/health-care-professionals/osteoporosis-research/

New COPN Promotional Card

The COPN team has created a new promotional card, similar to the cards for Stand Tall Canada, After the Fracture and Too Fit to Fracture, to replace the brochure. The team initiated a change to the COPN brochure for three reasons: the existing brochure was outdated; they wanted to create something less costly; and they know that people no longer read the entire content in brochures anymore! As a result, they created a clear, concise promo card with a vibrant image to drive people to the OC/COPN site. They hope you embrace this change and use the card as a means to promote OC/COPN!

Copies can be obtained in English and French by sending an order to orders@osteoporosis.ca, with a clear indication of how many copies you want and where they should be sent. If you wish to sign your patient up in your office, the COPN membership form can be found at or printed from http://www.osteoporosis.ca/wp-content/uploads/COPN-MEMBERSHIP-FORM_2016-Update.pdf
The FLS Hub – Now Launched!

The OC Fracture Liaison Service (FLS) website has been re-branded and re-launched as “The FLS Hub” in English, and “Carrefour FLS” in French. The FLS Hub is the go-to source for information on FLS in Canada, and has a number of tools and resources, including the FLS Registry. Check out our new page at the link below, and be sure to sign up for the FLS Network for upcoming events and news related to FLS: [http://www.osteoporosis.ca/fls/](http://www.osteoporosis.ca/fls/)

Movement on the FLS Registry

We are excited to announce that 14 new FLSs have been accepted into the Osteoporosis Canada FLS Registry since September 2016! There are now 39 FLSs from 5 provinces on the Registry. All of the FLSs on Registry have been reviewed and meet the 8 Essential Elements for FLS, and can be viewed at: [http://www.osteoporosis.ca/fls/canadian-fls-registry/](http://www.osteoporosis.ca/fls/canadian-fls-registry/)

The OC FLS Registry is the first and only resource of its kind in Canada, and allows insight into the breadth and location of FLSs across the country. We encourage you to share information about the Registry with any FLS program you are aware of and encourage them to make a submission