

CAME Announces the Renaming of the New Educator Award

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I am delighted to convey an important change to a CAME national award that was announced at the CAME luncheon at the CCME in St. John's, Newfoundland. The Board of Directors and Executive Committee of CAME have unanimously voted to support the renaming of the **New Educator Award** after one of our own. In recognition of her years of outstanding contributions to education, mentorship of a generation of new educators, and strong advocacy for recognition of education scholarship as a career path in medicine, the award was renamed the "**Meridith Marks New Educator Award**".

Meridith is a graduate of Memorial University and currently Full Professor of Medicine at the University of Ottawa. She was involved in the original EFPO project and undertook a Master's of Education at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

Meridith has gone on to several key leadership positions in medical education including Assistant Dean for Professional Affairs, Assistant Dean for the Academy for Innovation in Medical Education, and President of CAME. She has been an invaluable mentor and advisor to many in our field. As one CAME member stated when asked about Meridith's impact, "*When I think of people who have mentored me in my early career, it amazes me that a woman who works in another centre, on the other end of the country, pops into mind first every time.*" **Meridith** truly leads by example; she is an inspiration to us all.

Sincerely,



Glen Bandiera, CAME Past President