

HEALTH PROVIDER BIOGRAPHIES**Dr. Jose Francois, MD MMedEd CCFP FCFP**

Francois is head of the department of family medicine at the University of Manitoba's Max Rady College of Medicine and medical director for family medicine at the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. He holds an academic appointment as an associate professor in the department of family medicine. He presently chairs the Association of Canadian Chairs of Family Medicine and is a member of the Family Medicine Specialty Committee of the College of Family Physicians of Canada.

Francois practices family medicine at Centre de santé St-Boniface, Victoria Hospital and ActionMarguerite. He has been active in many initiatives aiming to improve access and quality of primary care including advanced access scheduling, shared-care models and inter-professional teams.

Dr. Aleks Chochinov, MD, FRCPC

Chochinov is head of the department of emergency medicine in the Rady faculty of health sciences at the University of Manitoba, medical director of the emergency program with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority and an emergency physician at St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg.

Educated at the University of Manitoba, with further training at Harvard Medical School and the Harvard School of Public Health, his research interests are in hypothermia and near drowning.

Dr. Mary-Jane Seager, MD, BSc (MED), FRCSC, CCPE

Seager is an obstetrician gynecologist who has been in practice for more than 25 years and has been involved in delivering thousands of babies. She is currently the medical director for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Women's Health Program, as well as the head of the department of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive sciences, Rady faculty of health sciences, Max Rady College of Medicine.

Besides her many degrees, diplomas, designations, Seager attends meetings, seminars, courses and conferences to keep current as well as to upgrade her knowledge.

Dr. Chantal Frechette, MD, CCFP

After graduating from the Université de Sherbrooke in 1992, Dr. Frechette studied at the University of British Columbia before returning to Manitoba to practice rural general medicine in Ste. Anne. The first female physician in the community, she continues to see patients and has an interest in sports medicine, women's health and in obstetrics. Dr. Frechette considers teaching and a focus on patient-centered health services as integral parts of her practice.

Dr. Harsahil Singh, MD, MBBS CCFP

Singh completed his medical school at Government Medical College, Patiala, India, in 2008 and practised as a rural family physician in India until 2010 when he moved to Winnipeg with his wife. He finished his postgraduate training in family medicine at the University of Manitoba between 2013 and 2014. He moved to Thompson in 2014 to work as a full-time family practitioner. In the same year, he finished his training at Cancer Care Manitoba and started working as a family practitioner in oncology at Thompson Regional Hub.

In addition to his family practice in Thompson and family practitioner in oncology role, Singh is the medical director of primary care for Thompson, Gillam, Lynn Lake, Leaf Rapids and Snow Lake.

Dr. Ryan Skrabek, MD

Skrabek completed his specialty training in physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University of Manitoba and joined the section of physical medicine and rehabilitation in 2008. Skrabek is an assistant professor at the University of Manitoba, the amputee rehabilitation service chief and is cross-appointed to the department of anesthesia where he attends in the Pain Clinic. In 2011, he became the head of the section of physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University of Manitoba and the medical director of rehabilitation for the WRHA Rehab/Geriatrics program, and continues in these roles. In September 2017, Skrabek completed a one-year term as chief medical officer of the Riverview Health Centre. His clinical interests include interventional pain management and amputee rehabilitation.

Dr. Eberhard L. Renner, MD, FRCP(C), FAASLD

Renner graduated from medical school at the University of Basel in Switzerland, and has worked in Bern, Switzerland, San Francisco, Toronto and Winnipeg. From 2004 to 2007, Renner worked with the department of internal medicine at the University of Manitoba and was

the director of the Liver Transplant Program and professor of medicine and pharmacology. After some time in Toronto, he currently works as the head of the department of internal medicine and medical director of the medicine program with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority.

Renner has published more than 200 peer-reviewed papers, reviews and book chapters. His research interests include clinical and immunological aspects of liver transplantation.

Dr. Edward Tan, MD

After graduating from the University of Manitoba with a specialty in family medicine in 2012, Tan began working at the Portage Clinic where he continues to practice. Since 2014, Tan has been the medical director for emergency medicine in the Southern Health – Santé Sud health region.

Dr. Bojan Paunovic, MD, FRCPC

A life-long Manitoban, Dr. Paunovic is a graduate of the University of Manitoba and practices critical care medicine at the Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg. He is the medical director of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority's Adult Critical Care Program, co-head of the critical care medicine and an assistant professor of internal medicine at the University of Manitoba's Max Rady College of Medicine. He has also served as the medical director for both the intensive care and medical programs at the Grace Hospital.