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To CME/CPD Planning Committees members and Chairs
Re: College of Family Physician of Canada - Mainpro+

Dear Colleagues,

The College of Family Physician of Canada (CFPC) launched a new CME/CPD credit system starting June 27th called Mainpro+. This letter highlights some of the changes.

The new Mainpro+ framework has three levels where participants can obtain 1, 2 or 3 credits per hour. Canadian University CME/CPD offices including the McMaster CHSE Program can only certify CME activities at the 1 credit per hour level. If you are developing a program that could be eligible for the higher levels you may apply directly to the CFPC through CERT+ <http://www.cfpc.ca/CPDProvidersandPlanners/>

Another key change in Mainpro+ is the New Quality Criteria requirement for certification. Please see the attached document for an overview and examples of the Quality Criteria Scoring Framework. More details on Mainpro+ can be found at http://www.cfpc.ca/uploadedFiles/CPD/PDFs/Mainpro+CertificationGuide_ENG_FINAL.pdf

Please note that under Mainpro+, activities will be referred to as “Certified” or “Uncertified”. The CFPC no longer uses the term “Accredited”.

If you had an approved program that was previously accredited by the CHSE Program and is taking place after **June 27th**, your accreditation statements should be updated with the following new statement:

*“This **Group Learning** program meets the certification criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been certified by the **McMaster University Continuing Health Sciences Program** for up to ____ Mainpro+ credits”*

The CHSE Program is currently in the process of updating our Guidebook and Accreditation application form to reflect the changes in Mainpro+. If you need to apply in the interim for certification/accreditation of a CME/CPD educational offering for Mainpro+ please don't hesitate to contact us.

Although other University offices have increased their application fees to offset the cost of the additional work that comes with the Mainpro+ framework, at the CHSE Program we have decided to keep our fees the same until we fully evaluate the impact of these new changes on the certification review process.

We always appreciate your contributions to CME/CPD activities. If you have any question please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

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