Dear All,

It is my great pleasure to welcome our new Chair, Dr. Julian Dobranowski that many of you know already.

Dr. Dobranowski is a professor of radiology at McMaster University Faculty of Health Sciences. He is the Chief of Diagnostic Imaging at Niagara Health, as well as the Director of the Centre of Radiological Anatomy.

Provincially, he holds the position of provincial head of the Cancer Imaging Program at Cancer Care Ontario and is the clinical lead for Access to Care MRI/CT.

Dr. Dobranowski has been a faculty member since 1988, following his medical training in Poland, radiology training at McMaster and a fellowship at Western University.

His current interests include health services research, patient outcomes, artificial intelligence, decision support and the standardization of clinical practice in diagnostic imaging. Dr. Dobranowski continues to initiate the development and implementation of provincial and national quality standards and indicators.

Join me in wishing Julian success in his new endeavours. I have no doubt that our Department will hugely benefit from his wisdom and experience.

I have been asked to reflect on the 12 years I have spent as Chair and the challenges I faced to turn our Department into an internationally recognized academic organization.

In the first place, I must acknowledge and thank the wonderful colleagues without whom we would never have been able to reach our goal. Their experience, knowledge and sound advice have been invaluable. I cannot name them all but I want them to know how grateful I am.

I had to deal with many staff issues such as burn-out or disruptive behaviours all of which can be very stressful and time consuming for a leader. Another major issue was the chronic lack of funding, but I am happy to see the MES we fought for during so many years at last implemented. Last but not least, I discovered the importance of culture, often underestimated, but omnipresent and pervasive.

Leadership is not an easy task. There are constant new challenges and opportunities every day. Leadership is not innate and can be learnt; there are many steps from knowing one’s self to achieving system-wide transformation. Would I do it again? Certainly yes, mainly with the knowledge I have acquired over the years. Would I have liked to stay in this role? Certainly not, as it is more than time for a change. We need new ideas and fresh energy to lead the Department to the next phase.

Thank you all, it has been a pleasure to work with you.

All the best,
David Koff
Dr. Julian Dobranowski named as the new Chair
DEPARTMENT OF RADIOLOGY, FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Announcement regarding the Chair, Department of Radiology, Faculty of Health Sciences

Julian Dobranowski, MD, FRCPC

From: Paul O’Byrne, MB, Dean and Vice-President, Faculty of Health Sciences

“I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Julian Dobranowski as chair of the Department of Radiology for the Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University, effective Feb. 1, 2020. The five-year appointment has been approved by the University’s Senate.

Dr. Dobranowski is a professor of radiology at McMaster. He is the chief of diagnostic imaging at Niagara Health, as well as the director of the Centre of Radiological Anatomy.

Provincially, he holds the position of head of the Cancer Imaging Program at Cancer Care Ontario and he is the clinical lead for its Access to Care MRI/CT. In these roles he has gained experience in the examination and mining of large databases.

Dr. Dobranowski earned his medical degree in 1979 from the Krakow Medical Academy in Poland. He completed his radiology training in 1986 at McMaster where he served as chief resident. He subsequently pursued a fellowship in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) at the University of Western Ontario, returning to McMaster in 1988 to join the Faculty.

The current interests of Dr. Dobranowski, an award-winning educator and researcher, include health services research, patient outcomes, artificial intelligence, decision support and the standardization of clinical practice in diagnostic imaging. Dr. Dobranowski continues to initiate the development and implementation of provincial and national quality standards and indicators.

He succeeds Dr. David Koff, who has been dedicated as the department’s chair since 2008, and has also been the founder and director of the Medical Imaging Informatics Research Centre at McMaster. I would like to thank him for his leadership.

Dr. Dobranowski brings to this role a wealth of knowledge and experience, and I look forward to his ideas and initiatives. We are also so pleased to have an active staff member of our partner hospital system Niagara Health fill this important role.

Please join me in congratulating Julian on this appointment.”

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Dobranowski
Department of Radiology
Visiting Professor Program
2020

Hold these dates for more Visiting Professor series:

2020

February 4th and 5th
Sara Durfee – Ob/Gyn

March 3rd and 4th
Carlos Torres - Neuro

April 7th and 8th
Pablo Ros – Liver/ Abdominal

May 5th and 6th
Mark Cresswell - MSK

June 2nd and 3rd
Hooker Distinguished Award Lecture - Prof. Steve Halligan

Please go to Visiting Professor Program web page for more information and to view all of Visiting Professor group photos with our Radiology Residents at: http://www.fhs.mcmaster.ca/radiology/vpp/
Dr. Sarah Durfee
Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School
Brigham and Women’s Hospital
Department of Radiology
Boston, Massachusetts

Dr. Durfee will be presenting on the following topics:

“Challenging Gynecological Cases”
Tuesday, February 4, 2020
6:00pm
St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton
CAMPBELL Auditorium—Level 2—Room T2202
Juravinski Innovation Tower

“The Use of Ultrasound in the Evaluation of Gynecologic Malignancies”
Wednesday, February 5, 2020
7:30am
St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton
CAMPBELL Auditorium—Level 2—Room T2202
Juravinski Innovation Tower

“Fetal Gastrointestinal Tract”
Wednesday, February 5, 2020
12:00pm
St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton
CAMPBELL Auditorium—Level 2—Room T2202
Juravinski Innovation Tower
Thank you to Dr. Jonathon Leipsic for participating in the Visiting Professor Series that took place on January 7th and January 8th at St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton.

Dr. Leipsic presented on three topics while he was here; “Coronary CAT for Stable Angina in 2020 - State of the Science”

“How to Read a Coronary CTA”

and

“CT of Valvular Heart Disease”
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MERIT ThinkTank

Are you struggling with an education scholarship project? The MERIT team is here to help.

The MERIT ThinkTank is a monthly education research consultation service, where faculty members bring a project in development and receive feedback from the multidisciplinary MERIT scientists.

The 90-minute session includes a summary presentation of the project in progress and an interactive exchange between the presenter and key panelists. The session ends with a general Q&A with audience members.

For more details, please contact us at merit@mcmaster.ca.

At MERIT, we produce evidence to develop health professional expertise. We do this by advancing:
- Research on education in clinical, digital, and simulated learning environments
- Innovative education designs and policies
- Theories of social, professional, and cognitive skill development for high quality healthcare

Application Process

To be considered for the ThinkTank, please submit an application. The application will ask you to provide a summary of the current project and what you hope to take away from the ThinkTank.

All applications will be reviewed by the MERIT team.

Our plan is to match key panelists to your interests and your needs, based upon the details you provide.

Follow the link below to access the online application: https://goo.gl/forms/9NW6cmVi
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Interested in attending a session? All ThinkTank sessions are open to the public and are held on the first Tuesday of every month!
ACADEMIC CORNER

For full brochure and details on this conference please contact ICHR

Register for this CHSE activity!

Indigenous Community Health and Research Conference
ICH

The Faculty of Health Sciences, the McMaster Indigenous Health Movement – Student Group, and the McMaster Indigenous Research Institute are pleased to host the inaugural Coming together to co-create health equity – an Indigenous Community Health and Research Conference.

Thursday, February 6 – Saturday, February 8, 2020

February 6, 2020: Gathering Place by the Grand – Six Nations
February 7 & 8, 2020: McMaster University, David Braley Health Sciences Centre, Hamilton

The theme of the first and second day of the conference is about health equity and how healthcare practitioners, researchers, and students can come together with community stakeholders to share information about health issues and priorities and identify opportunities to co-create solutions for more equitable healthcare for Indigenous peoples.

The theme of the third day is environmental health and climate change, and its connection to the health and well-being of Indigenous peoples.

Target Audience
- Community Elders and Knowledge Holders
- Students and Apprentices
- Traditional Practitioners
- Primary Care Practitioners, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Midwives, Pharmacists, Social Workers, Psychologists, Specialists, Residents, and Rehab Therapists
- Public Health Specialists
- Researchers and Knowledge Users

Visit the website for details including agendas, workshops, speakers, and registration information.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
January 30, 2020

Newer and better diagnostic imaging equipment coming to Hamilton Health Sciences

HAMILTON, ON – Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS) is pleased to announce a new long-term partnership with Siemens Healthineers for the renewal, ongoing replacement and maintenance of our extensive, diagnostic imaging (DI) equipment fleet.

The new partnership, structured as a Managed Equipment Service (MES) contract, is a key enabler of HHS’s ongoing transformation to ensure it remains a world-class healthcare organization. It is a landmark agreement and one of the few of its kind for Ontario hospitals.

During the next several years, HHS will work with Siemens to renew critical and rapidly-evolving diagnostic tools, such as X-ray machines, MRIs and CT scanners, essential to the majority of the patient care in our hospital system.

Key benefits include:

- Access to new and advanced DI equipment, with evergreen replacement as technology evolves resulting in better care for patients.
- Increased accuracy, speed and stability of our DI processes, achieving better diagnosis and treatment for patients.
- Faster urgent repairs and shorter planned downtime of equipment, with fewer procedure cancellations and shorter wait times for patients.
- Specialized training for staff, keeping our teams proficient as technology evolves and as new equipment is introduced in our facilities.
- Stable, predictable annual costs for new equipment, without the financial impact of unplanned downtime, equipment repairs or crisis replacement.

“This innovative partnership will help ensure HHS remains one of the highest-performing hospitals in Ontario for decades to come,” says Charles Criminisi, Chair, Board of Directors, Hamilton Health Sciences. “Technology plays a critical role in health care excellence and the people we serve expect that we’ll keep pace with modern achievements.”

“This value-driven approach to managing our diagnostic and imaging equipment will ensure that our staff and doctors have access to new and better tools so that they can do their best work for our patients and our community,” says Rob MacIsaac, HHS President and CEO. “This is a part of our on-going transformation to ensure we remain a sustainable, leading healthcare organization for years to come.”

Video quotes available here: https://hhsc.box.com/s/mcvh34lhmnxiwdezjpoauevugh10e6b

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. John Donnellan
New Interim Pediatric Head of Service
MUMC Pediatric Diagnostic Imaging

Dr. Nina Stein
Outgoing Pediatric Head of Service
MUMC Pediatric Diagnostic Imaging

Dr. Nina Stein recently stepped down as Pediatric Head of Service at the end of December. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Stein on behalf of the whole team for her endless hours and tremendous dedication to establishing the Pediatric Imaging Program at McMaster Children’s Hospital, as well as her advocacy for pediatric imaging patients in Hamilton and beyond. Dr. Stein started as Pediatric Head of Service in 2017 and during her time in this position established the development of the Pediatric Visiting Professor Program; as well she initiated the first Pediatric Imaging Academic Week for McMaster University, Department of Radiology. Thank you very much Dr. Stein for your hard work and contributions to this position.

Diagnostic Imaging is pleased to announce Dr. John Donnellan as the new Interim Pediatric Head of Service after Dr. Nina Stein stepped down at the end of December. The Medical Advisory Committee had just recently approved this change at the beginning of January.

Dr. Donnellan has been instrumental in establishing the Pediatric Interventional Service at McMaster Children’s Hospital and has contributed to the pediatric imaging team since his arrival in Hamilton. We welcome Dr. Donnellan to this new role and the department looks forward to working with him as the new Interim Pediatric Head of Service this year!
**DR. JONAS HICKMANN, NEURO FELLOW-HGH**

We said goodbye and good luck to Dr. Jonas Hickmann as he had completed his Neuro Radiology Fellowship at the Hamilton General Hospital in January. Dr. Hickmann’s last day with us was January 24th and he has since returned to Brazil. We wish Dr. Hickmann much success in his future career.

**MSK 2-Site FELLOWSHIPS**

**DR. SALAH ABDELHADI, MSK FELLOW - SJHH**

July 2019 - December 2019

Dr. Salah Abdelhadi has completed his MSK Fellowship with us in Diagnostic Imaging at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre and will continue with the second half of his MSK Fellowship at St. Joseph’s Healthcare Hamilton until July 2020. We wish Dr. Abdelhadi all the best and future success in his career and accomplishments.

**DR. SOHAIB MUNIR, MSK FELLOW – JHCC**

January 2020 - June 2020

Diagnostic Imaging is pleased to welcome MSK Fellow, Dr. Sohaib Munir. Dr. Munir just recently completed the first half of his fellowship at St. Josephs Healthcare Hamilton and will be completing the second half with us at Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre. Please help us to welcome Dr. Munir.

“My name is Sohaib and I’m one of the MSK radiology fellows. I went to Queen’s University for medical school and just completed my residency in London, Ontario. I’m really excited to be back at McMaster, where I did my undergrad! Usually if I’m not learning more about MSK you’ll probably find me reading (non-fiction mostly), or enjoying some video games or movies. I also love squash!”
It’s that time of year again...

**CREDENTIALING REAPPOINTMENT**

*ONLY for PHYSICIANS subject to Reappointment*

Radiologists that are subject to reappointment will be receiving their **online reappointment applications via email** the week of **February 3rd to February 7th, 2020**.

These radiologists include those who hold an “Active”, “Courtesy” and “Term” appointment.

“**Associate**” staff regardless of holding a “Courtesy” appointment will **NOT** be subject to reappointment.

If you are receipt of this reappointment package you are to complete it.

These applications **MUST be completed in full by March 13th, 2020**. It is extremely important to have these completed on time as after March 13th the application will be considered late and you will be subject to the $300.00 late fee as per Credentials.
HAMILTON HOSPITAL SKI DAY EVENT

Join us for a day on the slopes!

This Family Day, members of HAM and The HHS Medical Staff Association are heading to Holimont in Ellicottville, NY for a day on the slopes and Après Ski. Back by popular demand, HAM has organized a bus leaving from the Hamilton General Hospital to take us across the border. Family and friends are welcome!

Family Day
Monday, February 17th, 2020
Après Ski Party to follow
RSVP
hamiltonhospitalskiday.eventbrite.ca
joy@hamiltondoctors.ca
(905) 528-1640

Lift Ticket $45 USD
Lift tickets can be purchased in the chalet. Mention "Hamilton Hospital Ski Day" to receive discounted price.

Bus Details
Ticket $35 CAD
Pick up location: Hamilton General Hospital
237 Barton St. E. (staff entrance off Ferguson)
Departure Time: 6:30 AM
Return Time: 7:00 PM
Please pay ahead to reserve your ticket

HoliMont Ski Club
6921 Route 242
Ellicottville, NY 14731-0279
9:30 am - 4:20 pm

• All children need to be attended by an adult.
• Children under five years of age ski free.
A Great Big HUG
Awards – CME’s – Prizes – 50/50 – Lunch - Networking

JHCC Auditorium A4-4 - **February 29**th 8:00am to 3:45pm

Tickets $10.00 - $$ will be reimbursed at meeting to attendees

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

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You’re invited to the 1st Annual HHS spring fling

HHS MRT Education Day

Cost is $10 – attendees will be reimbursed at the event
50/50 – Lunch, education, awards, prizes, networking

Where: Juravinski Hospital Auditorium
       A4-4

When: March 28th 2020
Registration Now Open!

WAVELENGTHS 2020 is our 2nd annual meeting offering research workshops and a symposium for Imaging Technologists that recognizes the growing interest in cultivating quality improvement and research competencies. Imaging technologists from all modalities are invited to participate as speakers and attendees in what will be a dynamic opportunity for sharing knowledge and building professional networks.

WAVELENGTHS 2020 is comprised of 2 concurrent pre-symposium research workshops and a full-day & a half symposium for imaging technologists to build their skills and showcase works-in-progress, quality improvement projects, innovations in practice and completed research.

Dates:
April 24, 2020
9:00 am – 12:00 pm, Pre-Symposium Research Workshops
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Symposium: Technologist Led Research and Practice Innovation Presentations
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Poster Rounds and Symposium Welcome Reception

April 25, 2020
8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Symposium: Technologist Led Research and Practice Innovation Presentations

Location:
The Michener Institute of Education at UHN, Toronto, Ontario. Registration and symposium information can be found at https://michener.ca/wavelengths/

Call for Proposals for Poster, Podium and Panel Presentations
We invite you to submit proposals for Podium, Poster or Panel presentations that may be at early or advanced stages of development for Wavelengths 2020. Submission themes include but are not limited to professional practice innovation, education, quality improvement, primary/clinical imaging research, and patient care. Information on how to submit an abstract can be found at https://michener.ca/wavelengths/call-for-abstracts/

Submission deadline: February 7, 2020
Themes: Practice innovation, education, quality improvement and primary/clinical research
Formats: Podium, Poster, and Panel Presentations

Should you have any questions about Wavelengths 2020 or the abstract submission process, please email your questions to wavelengths@michener.ca

On behalf of the organizing committee, we look forward to seeing you in April.

Marc Potvin, Chair of the Wavelengths Organizing Committee
Congratulations are in order for Dr. Nazir Khan! We are pleased to announce that Dr. Khan passed both the Neuroradiology Royal College Board Exam on September 24th, 2019 and the American Board of Neuroradiology Exam on September 25th, 2019. This is a huge accomplishment for any radiologist and we are proud to have Dr. Khan working with us at Hamilton Health Sciences and McMaster University. Congratulations once again!

Nazir Khan, MD, FRCPC (Radiology), FRCPC (Neuroradiology), DABR, CAQ (Neuroradiology)
Diagnostic Radiologist, Hamilton General Hospital
Assistant Professor, Department of Radiology, McMaster University

CONGRATULATIONS! MUMC X Ray Department!!!
A BIG Congratulations to our MUMC X Ray Department Members for exemplary fit testing compliance! The message below comes from HHS Health Safety and Wellness Director, Susan Fuciarelli.

“Congratulations for achieving an outstanding fit test compliance!

Health Safety and Wellness reviews the corporate fit test compliance at a department level. Departments who achieve 90% or more compliance are deserving of special recognition for their commitment to the health and safety of workers and patients. Our records indicate that your department, X Ray MUMC (26040) has achieved a compliance level of 94%.” ~ Susan Fuciarelli, Director, Health Safety and Wellness, HHS

Awarded By: Susan Fuciarelli, Director
Health Safety and Wellness

Date: Jan 13th 2020
February is for Code White/Code Lockdown Review

HHS building satellites are to review and follow their building specific Emergency Response Quick Reference Guide.

The HHS 2019 Hospital Code White Response Plan and related resources can be found [here](#) and Code Lockdown resources can be found [here](#).

**Responsibilities:**

**All staff** should review the HHS 2019 Code Response Plan for this Code, complete the [ppt Quiz](#), review the quick reference document for Code Lockdown and conduct a “what if...” area scenario on discovery and notification of this code, remember to complete the Monthly Fire Drill Review Quiz [click here](#) and participate in a monthly fire drill on-site if present.

*Note: This is also a good month to review the Prevention and Management of Violence in the Workplace e-learning module in the Learning Management System*

**Area Code Captains** should conduct staff huddles to ensure staff know how to submit the online debriefing report if needed post code white event [click here](#) and the separate report to be submitted for completion of monthly fire drills or code red alarm activations [click here](#) in addition to the monthly Code Review Report [click here](#)

**Managers and Directors**, please ensure you and your staff

- Complete the code review, scenario exercise/discussion & monthly fire drill
- Submit your area(s) Code Review Report online for both the Code of the month review and Fire Drill by month’s end

*Remember if any area does not have a Code Captain, it is the Manager’s responsibility to fulfill this role.*

*If you have any questions or suggestions for improvements for the next code version, please contact* [mouill@hhsc.ca](mailto:mouill@hhsc.ca)
Health, Safety & Wellness Matters!
“Creating a Safe and Healthy Workplace for All!”

Hazard and Occurrence Reporting

Hamilton Health Sciences is committed to providing a healthy and safe work environment and preventing occupational illness and injury. Everyone in the workplace has a role to play in keeping the workplace healthy and safe.

- Supervisors are required to acquaint employees with any hazard in the work they do. Employees who see a hazard or contravention of the Occupational Health and Safety Act have a duty to report the situation to his/her supervisor.

- Reporting of hazards is not only a legal obligation, but timely reporting helps ensure an effective response, and also prevents workplace accidents, illnesses and injuries.

- In the unfortunate event that a worker sustains a work related injury or illness, reporting is required to ensure: the employee will be appropriately treated; the occurrence will be reported to the required organizations as legislated; the event is investigated to prevent future occurrences.

- In the event an injury meets the definition of a critical injury (see the HSW—Critical Injury or Fatality Protocol), the scene must be secured and the on call Safety Specialist paged (between 0800-2400 hrs) or the Director on call (between 2400-0800 hrs). **Do not clean the area.** Once the injured person has been removed from the area, access to the area must be restricted.

**Action Items**


- √ Ensure you know how to contact members of your site Joint Health and Safety Committee - [https://ishare.hhsc.ca/corporate/hsw/hswcommittees/jointhealth.aspx](https://ishare.hhsc.ca/corporate/hsw/hswcommittees/jointhealth.aspx)


**Reporting and Investigation Checklist**

⇒ **Verbally report** the unsafe condition or work related injury/illness immediately to your supervisor or staff-in-charge. If the injury meets the definition of a critical injury, page the Safety Specialist or Director on Call.

⇒ **Seek first aid** as soon as possible.

⇒ **Complete and submit** a staff Safety Occurrence Report.

⇒ **Notify Employee Health Services** as soon as possible if time is lost from work or if a healthcare provider is seen due to a work-related injury/illness.

⇒ **Participate in the incident investigation process** as required.

⇒ **If the hazard cannot be resolved** with your supervisor, contact a member of your site JHSC or your site Safety Specialist.
Recently McMaster University held an event titled, “Clinicians and Engineers: Interdisciplinary Networking Event” in an effort to bring together two disciplines to discuss research. This event was commenced with speeches from the Deans of each faculty as well as the President, which highlighted the importance of developing research collaborations between these two faculties at the university.

A number of very successful research projects, inventions, and start-up companies have been a result of clinicians and engineers working together. As you know, in radiology we are heavily reliant on our technology and therefore need to work closely with the engineers when it comes to developing and improving the technology we use.

It was evident at the networking event that the engineers were very eager to work on projects with clinicians. In past radiology projects, which I have worked with engineers on, the lack of medical insight to their projects is often a large gap in their research. If you were looking to get involved in research, I would encourage you to reach out to the Faculty of Engineering to determine how you may develop collaboration with their group. Alternatively, please feel free to reach out to myself so I can put you in touch with a number of engineers that we have already established great working relationships with.

Jane Castelli

MIIRC@M brings together radiologists and engineers in order to bridge the gap between clinical studies and computer sciences and to solve specific issues in Medical Imaging; a cross-over program between the Faculty of Health Sciences and Engineering, the centre has been funded by both Faculties and its goal is to provide a nurturing environment to the researchers interested from McMaster or other institutions, match the adequate skills and resources, and facilitate access to grants and industry partnerships.
Holiday Calendar:
February 17th - Family Day

Quotes for February...

“Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it. Hatred confuses life; love harmonizes it. Hatred darkens life; love illuminates it.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

“Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope.”

Maya Angelou

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel”

Maya Angelou

“When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace.”

Jimi Hendrix

Remember to send in any important information for the HHS Diagnostic Imaging Newsletter each month including new advancements in DI, personal accomplishments, new research, resident activities, upcoming DI events, etc. I am always looking for new information to add! Have a great February!

~ Tori

Do you have a story idea to share?
Email: howesv@hhsc.ca