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The Alberta Children's Hospital Pediatric Transplant Team celebrating Green Shirt Day

GREEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY

COMMEMORATING THE LOGAN BOULET EFFECT, 4 YEARS LATER

On April 6, 2018, there was a devastating bus crash in Canada during which 16 teenage Humboldt Broncos hockey players lost their lives. One of the teenagers to succumb to his injuries was defenceman Logan Boulet. At that time, his parents made the selfless decision to donate his organs resulting in 6 other lives being saved. At the time of his death, Logan was a registered organ donor, inspired by his coach and mentor who had passed away the previous year and who was also an organ donor. As news spread of Logan's organ donation, it is estimated that >150,000 Canadians registered to become organ donors - the largest number in history due to one event and one selfless person. Green Shirt Day was created to honour the victims and families of that fatal crash and to allow Logan's inspirational legacy to live on. On April 7th our Pediatric members wore their green shirts to commemorate Logan's legacy.

GREEN SHIRT DAY IN CANADA



(Left): Transplantation team at the Children's Hospital of Manitoba wearing green!

The green wave reached SickKids (middle) & BC Children's Hospital (bottom), where transplantation teams there demonstrated their support for organ donors.



A great show of support, everyone!

Please consider registering as an organ donor or supporting your local transplantation team.

See you for Green Shirt Day 2023!

UPCOMING EVENTS

American Transplant Congress. Jun 4-8, 2022. Boston, MA.

The Transplantation Society. Sep 10-14, 2022. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Banff-Canadian Society of Transplantation Joint Meeting. Sep 19-23, 2022. Banff, AB.

Society of Pediatric Liver Transplantation Annual Meeting. Sep 22 – 23, 2022. Newport Beach, CA.

12th Congress of the Int'l Pediatric Transplant Association. Mar 25-28, 2023. Austin, TX.

NEW TEAM, NEW LOGO

After multiple iterations and feedback from members, we have settled on our new logo (above)! The logo reflects the tremendous diversity of the pediatric transplantation community and the patients we care for. Our CST Pediatrics team has been hard at work as well, with a mix of newly elected and previous members!



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CST PEDIATRIC GROUP AWARDS

BEST PEDIATRIC TRANSPLANT TRAINEE ABSTRACT AWARD

Apply by JUNE 15, 2022

The CST Pediatrics Group encourages trainee participation in both clinical and basic science research in the field of pediatric transplantation.

TWO prizes will be awarded by the CST Pediatric Group for **best trainee pediatric abstracts** submitted to the CST 2022 Annual Meeting.

Adjudication: All abstracts will be reviewed and scored by the CST Pediatric Group Executive committee members and/or invited expert reviewers. Abstract reviewers will be blinded to the author's name. The committee will be asked to consider relevance to pediatrics and scientific merit and will score and rank each abstract according to a standard scoring strategy. A minimum acceptable score will be set in order for the abstract to be eligible for the prizes. The two top ranked abstracts (one in the basic science category and one in the clinical category) will be awarded up to \$1000 each. If there is no submitted abstract in the category that meets the minimum acceptable score, no prize will be awarded in that category.

Eligibility:

- 1) Eligible candidates are trainees in the field of pediatric transplantation, at the undergraduate, graduate or post-graduate levels. Medical students, medical and surgical residents and fellows, basic scientists in training, and allied health trainees are encouraged to apply.
- 2) Applicants must be members of the CST (Trainee membership fee is \$50)
- 3) Applicants' research supervisor must be a current member of the CST (though does not need to be a pediatric member)
- 4) Abstract must have pediatric relevance

Award Recipients will receive: a cheque for \$250 CAD, award certificate, a travel bursary of \$750 CAD (eligible for in-person travel and presentation at the AGM), complimentary registration, ticket for each evening social event, and acknowledgement at the CST Pediatric Group AGM. Recipients are expected to attend and present in-person at the AGM and participate in the Summit.

Apply through the CST website abstract submission portal and indicate that your abstract will be considered for the pediatric trainee abstract award. **More info at cst-transplant.ca**

PEDIATRIC ALLIED HEALTH TRAVEL BURSARY

Apply by JULY 31, 2022

To facilitate CST allied health members to attend the CST Annual Meeting, **THREE** pediatric allied health travel bursaries will be made available, valued at \$1000 each. The bursary is intended to support both senior and new members. All applicants must be CST members and CST pediatric group members in good standing and must not have been recipients of this bursary in the previous 5 years.

Preference will be given to two of the following: i) those that have submitted an abstract, ii) those that have been invited to present an oral presentation, and/or iii) those that are active members of CST groups or committees. One award will be dedicated for a first time attendee.

Award Recipients will receive: a cheque for \$1000.00 CAD, and acknowledgement at the CST Pediatric Group AGM. Recipients are expected to attend the CST Pediatric Group AGM and provide a short professional biography and picture to be highlighted.

Apply by completing the application form and submit to the CST office. **More info at** cst-transplant.ca

EDUCATION SEMINAR SERIES

Boost your transplant knowledge with the Pediatric Education Series! Our series runs 4 times yearly, addressing core topics in Pediatric Solid Organ Transplant relevant to healthcare providers across specialities, organ groups, and levels of experience. Our library of previously recorded lectures is always available to view on the CST website.

Previous topics are:

- "HLA for the Pediatric Transplant Clinician" with Dr. Christine Ribic
- "Cytomegalovirus in Pediatric Solid Organ Transplant Recipients" with Dr. Catherine Burton
- "Career development and imposter syndrome" with Dr. Aviva Goldberg

Our online education series will return with new topics after the CST Annual Meeting in September 2022. If you have suggestions for topics and/or speakers, please email peditricgroup@cst-transplant.ca

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF THE HSOI



The [High School Outreach Initiative \(HSOI\)](http://High School Outreach Initiative (HSOI)) in transplant and organ donation celebrated its 10-year anniversary this April 2022, with ten successful years of delivering presentations on organ and tissue donation to over 40,000 secondary school students in the Greater Toronto Area since 2011. This program is hosted by the University of Toronto Transplantation Institute, in partnership with Trillium Gift of Life Network, SickKids, University Health Network, and St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto. Each presentation is provided by a transplant healthcare professional and donor family member or transplant recipient, with the aims of increasing organ and tissue donation awareness, and to encourage conversations around donation throughout schools and communities. Congratulations HSOI!