

TORONTO ACADEMIC RADIOLOGIST NAMED AS CHAIRMAN OF PANREATIC CANCER CANADA

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Pancreatic Cancer Canada is pleased to welcome Dr. Anish Kirpalani as the new Chair of the organization. Dr. Kirpalani served as a member of the Medical Advisory Board before joining the Board of Directors in 2015 and has been a leader in moving our research and program objectives forward.

"Having lost my mother to pancreatic cancer, I have been personally affected by this devastating disease. But because I see this disease so frequently in my job as an abdominal radiologist, I have a unique personal and professional perspective on it. I hope to bring this combined view as board chair to raise awareness effectively about pancreatic cancer and what PCC is doing about it."

Dr. Anish Kirpalani, Chairman, Pancreatic Cancer Canada.

A radiologist with over 10 years of broad practice experience in both academic and private/community settings in Canada and the USA, Dr. Kirpalani brings critical expertise to the helm of Pancreatic Cancer Canada. He has been a staff radiologist at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto since 2009, where he also leads a grant-funded abdominal MRI research program, is an Associate Scientist at the hospital's Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute, and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Medical Imaging at the University of Toronto.

In addition to maintaining a busy clinical practice, Dr. Kirpalani has authored numerous peer-reviewed journal articles and has given numerous invited presentations in the fields of abdominal and cardiovascular radiology. He is a strong supporter of innovative educational programs, both professionally and in community service. He has a background in both engineering and medicine.

"Anish's experience with pancreatic cancer both medically and in his family ensures that we continue our commitment to care and support for the whole patient. This means our goals in research and in the programs we offer our community remain consistent with our mission: to save more lives. Together with Anish and the other committed members of our board, we are united in our efforts to change the outcome of this awful disease."

Michelle Capobianco, Executive Director, Pancreatic Cancer Canada

Pancreatic Cancer Canada also gratefully acknowledges the contribution of Past Chair Dr. Michael Clarfield. Dr. Clarfield served in that capacity for the last four years, a period of significant expansion and growth for the organization. He is the director of The Sports Medicine Specialists in Toronto which is the largest sports medicine clinic in Canada and is presently the Team Physician for Tennis Canada, Company Physician for The National Ballet of Canada, and Head Physician to the NHL. Dr. Clarfield will continue his support and involvement with Pancreatic Cancer Canada through his family's commitment to Compete for the CureTM.





About Pancreatic Cancer Canada

Pancreatic Cancer Canada is the only national organization devoted to fighting pancreatic cancer through research, awareness, education and advocacy. Our goals are to improve overall patient survival rates, change the outcomes and create a brighter future for those affected by pancreatic cancer.

For more information about the Pancreatic Cancer Canada Foundation: PancreaticCancerCanada.ca

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