

CAMDR Executive Welcomes Delegates from Canada and Around the World!

The Canadian Association of Medical Device Reprocessing welcomed delegates from Canada and around the world to its first Inaugural Conference, held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, from October 16-19, 2014.

Abdool Karim, President, gave a warm welcome to start the Conference. "Each of us present today contributes a role in the inaugural national conference on medical device reprocessing, a profession we passionately practice or work

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Over 200 delegates attended various education sessions from "The Importance of Following MIFU Documents" to "Best Practices for Endoscopes," and "Medical Device Validation" to "What's New in the CSA Standards."

Other topics also included "Team Building and Positive Workplace Culture" and "Engage! Achieving Powerful Engagement in 7 Minutes a Day."

Meet the CAMDR Executive!



Back (L-R): Anne-Marie Rancourt, Education Director, Quebec; Dianne Trudeau, Conference Director, British Columbia; Pamela Hunter, Secretary, Nova Scotia; Patrick Quinn, Vendor Liaison Director, Saskatchewan

Front (L-R): Gale Schultz, Treasurer, Manitoba; Abdool Karim, President, Ontario; Merlee Steele-Rodway, President-Elect, Newfoundland and Labrador

Call for Provincial Advisors!

Nominations are being received for CAMDR Provincial Advisors! Each province/territory will have one Provincial Advisor and Provincial Advisors can self-nominate! A copy of your current resume must accompany the completed Provincial Advisor Nomination Form. Submit your resume and completed form to Merlee Steele-Rodway, CAMDR President-Elect, by January 28, 2015 via merlee.rodway@easternhealth.ca.

Presentations

Learning Annexes

Hour long sessions were presented on October 16 to cover important topics such as "Infection Prevention Pathway to Safety" and "Becoming a CSA Certified MDR Technician."

Vendor Exhibition

The Vendor Exhibition took place at the RBC Convention Centre on October 17 and 18. This was a great opportunity for vendors to promote their companies and products and for delegates to learn about new and improved products and services.

Opening Keynote Speaker

Olympic Gold Medallist, Jennifer Jones, kicked Friday off with a great presentation about "Teamwork and Performance Under Pressure." We all feel pressure in our jobs at some point, so it was great to learn how to more effectively handle this pressure.

Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent sessions were held from Friday to Sunday. Some of the more notable ones were Dr. Michelle Alfa's

"Can We Effectively Ban the Biofilm?" and Dr. Gerry McDonnell's "The Spaulding Classification, Disinfection and Sterilization: Is it Time to Reconsider?"

Featured Panel

A featured panel composing of Sue Lafferty, Cathy Esposito, and Ghislaine Morency was held on Saturday to allow delegates to ask questions.



Banquet Dinner and Social

Saturday ended with a bang at "A Taste of Folklorama – We've Got the World Peg'd." Delegates took this time to network with each other and discuss what they had learned so far.

Featured Presentation

Conference delegates had some more fun with our featured presentation, "MDR Jeopardy," hosted by Keir Surgical Ltd.

Closing Keynote Speaker

Sylvia! ended the Conference with "Respectfully, Up Yours: How to Play Nice at Work."

CAMDR – Upcoming Events

The second biennial CAMDR Conference and Expo will be held in Toronto, Ontario in 2016.

Rediscover Medical Device Reprocessing!

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