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Le prix Alan Ross de la Société canadienne de pédiatrie, qui reconnaît l'excellence tout au long de la vie dans les domaines de la recherche, de l'éducation, des soins de santé et du plaidoyer en pédiatrie, est la plus prestigieuse distinction de la société. Le prix Alan Ross 2023 a été remis lors du congrès de la SCP en mai au docteur **Denis Leduc**, un pédiatre communautaire affilié à la Société canadienne de pédiatrie.



rapid uptake of clinical practice guidelines and worked to expand training of students and residents in the nursery. He has also maintained a close link with the general pediatric services in the hospital and was known to visit whichever of his patients who were hospitalized and work closely with inpatient teams to coordinate follow-up after discharge. He was also the Founding President of the Association of Community Pediatricians of the Montreal Children's Hospital, which has served as a key link between the hospital and our community partners.

Dr. Leduc has also been a strong child health advocate and knowledge mobilizer on a local, provincial, and national scale. He participated on numerous CPS committees, contributing to the generation of many CPS Position Statements and Practice Points, guiding the clinical practice of pediatricians across Canada. He was also involved in the development of the Rourke Baby Record, which is used throughout the country. Dr. Leduc has been particularly active in preventing Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). In addition to advocating for safe sleep practices and appropriate pacifier use through CPS guidelines, he disseminated important information to the public in media interviews. As recently as 2021, he served as the CPS representative to the PHAC Expert Advisory Group on SIDS, which released a Joint Statement on Safe Sleep. Dr. Leduc also served as one of the three inaugural pediatricians on the Joint Action Committee on Child and Adolescent Health (JACCAH) of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and the CPS. He is adept at bringing together large organizations to identify common goals contributing to the health of children and youth in Canada. Dr. Leduc also served as co-editor (2008) and editor (2015) of the CPS-sponsored, "Well Beings: A Guide to Health in Child Care", an essential resource for childcare centres, home-based providers, early childhood educators and students, and public health professionals. He also contributed regularly to the monthly newsletter Montreal Families, which provides indispensable information about family life, parenting, and local resources for children and their families in the city.

Perhaps most remarkably, Dr. Leduc has maintained an important role in child health research and education throughout his career as a community pediatrician. He contributed to several key pediatric studies in collaboration with renowned child health researchers including Drs. Barry Pless, Michael Kramer, and Ron Barr. For example, Dr. Leduc was an important collaborator on the seminal study on infantile colic led by Dr. Barr. His interest and participation in research has not abated over his long career. He recently opened his practice as a participating site in the TARGet Kids! study, the largest

Have a great weekend.

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