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CFP announces 2016 innovation fund grant winners

TORONTO, November 9, 2016 – The Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy is pleased to announce a second recipient of its annual Innovation Fund Grant: **Dr. Line Guénette** from the Faculty of Pharmacy at Laval University, in Quebec City for \$26,800.

“Evidence-based Electronic Tools for Community Pharmacists to Detect and Intervene on Medication Non-Adherence”, will build on prior work from her team. In addition to detection, the project will help pharmacists develop tailored interventions to improve outcomes for medication non-adherence. This phase of their work will center around diabetes and depression, two important areas of chronic disease for Canadians.

“We are committed to building tools that have acceptability, usability, utility, implementation and ways to improve e-tools for supporting pharmacy practice,” states Dr. Guénette. Other investigators on the team include Drs. Sophie Lauzier (Laval University), Lucie Blais (University of Montreal) and Kelly Grindrod (University of Waterloo).

“The Foundation is honoured to be able to support these projects which will advance the care of patients and the role of the pharmacist. The applicant pool for this year’s Research Grant competition was impressive, and many deserving ideas could not be funded simply due to lack of resources. The high quality of all the applications highlights what an exciting time it is for practice-based research in Canada, and the need to ensure we continue to support impactful, innovative projects.” Offers CFP Grants Committee Chair, and Board Member, Dr. Zubin Austin.

The Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy’s Innovation Fund has become a leading source of funding in Canada for evidence-based research evaluating the value of new services offered by pharmacists. Through its **Innovation Fund**, the foundation currently supports projects and research that facilitate the evolving role of the pharmacist. Since 2004, CFP has invested more than \$1 million to this cause.

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