The Annual
Harry Medovy Lectureship

“Definition of Social Pediatrics: Care of the Disadvantaged, Socially Excluded Child, Youth and Family”

Thursday, May 12, 2011 0800-0900
Frederick Gaspard Theatre “A” Basic Medical Sciences Bldg
730 William Avenue, Winnipeg

The 2011 Harry Medovy Lecturer is Dr. Elizabeth Ford-Jones. Dr. Elizabeth Lee Ford-Jones, MD, FRCP(C) is a paediatric infectious diseases specialist and clinical researcher at The Hospital for Sick Children and Professor of Paediatrics at the University of Toronto. She is the former co-editor of Paediatrics and Child Health, the journal of the Canadian Paediatric Society. She was also involved with the initiation of the Canadian Paediatric Society’s book, Children and Youth New to Canada.

Her passion is Social Paediatrics especially the health of immigrant children and their families, as well as other disadvantaged groups, including aboriginal children, children living in poverty, children with chronic disorders or disabilities, and children of parents with drug addictions or serious mental health disorders.

She is a strong believer and activist for the needs of disadvantaged children, advocating for a national poverty reduction strategy, better support and funding for early childhood education and care and more opportunities in disadvantaged neighbourhoods. Through partnerships she has led with under-represented communities in inner-city Toronto, their needs are being addressed and solutions are being found. As Lee Ford-Jones has said: “When children fail, we are all the poorer for it”.

Light breakfast to follow and everyone is welcome!