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Postgraduate Medical Education Office





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Introduction

This booklet has been put together by the Postgraduate Medical Education Office as a quick reference of the various support mechanisms available to you as a student of McMaster University. It is important to have mechanisms to relieve stress (i.e., joining a gym, etc.). Remaining physically active during your training program may help with stress relief. However, in some cases additional support may be necessary, and in these cases additional support is available. Each service has been asked to provide a brief outline of the type(s) of support they are able to give. Issues may vary from medico-legal matters, stress, alcohol or substance abuse, emotional support, and other personal situations that may be too difficult to handle alone. All services are completely confidential.

In addition to the resources mentioned in this booklet, each of the programs have their own support structures in place. Please be sure to check with your Program Director regarding program specific support features that are offered and available to you.

Always keep in mind that your Program Director is there to help support and guide you through your residency program.

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A. FAMILY PHYSICIAN

All postgraduate students are encouraged to have a local family physician.

The Hamilton Academy of Medicine maintains a current listing of family physicians who are accepting new patients. The academy will provide you with the family physician's qualifications upon request.

Hamilton Academy of Medicine 206-1 Young Street Hamilton, ON L8N 1T8 Telephone: 905-528-1611

Website: www.hamiltondoctors.ca

The Postgraduate Medical Education Office also has a confidential list of family physicians who are willing to accept residents as patients. Please contact Brenda Montesanto at 905-525-9140, ext. 22947 or email at brenda.montesanto@medportal.ca.

B. POLICY REGARDING COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH FOR APPLICANTS TO AND STUDENTS IN UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE MEDICINE

I Applicants:

All applicants should be aware that they will be required to participate in the care of patients with various communicable diseases including hepatitis, TB and AIDS throughout their education. Therefore, there is a risk that the student may contract a communicable disease during the course of their studies.

As each student has a responsibility to prevent the spread of communicable diseases to others, the Faculty of Health Sciences is committed to providing education and training to all students in the methods of preventing spread of communicable diseases that is consistent with Health Canada Guideline Routine Practices and Additional Precautions for Preventing the Transmission of Infection in Health Care (Reference: http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/publicat/ccdr-rmtc/99vol25/25s4/index.html) and the Ontario Hospital Association/Ontario Medical Association

Communicable Disease Surveillance Protocols for Ontario Hospitals.

II Requirements on acceptance into the program:

- 1. All students are expected to be in a state of health such that they may participate in the academic program, including patient care, without posing a risk to themselves or others. (Reference: Council of Ontario Faculties of Medicine (COFM) Policy Document: Essential Skills and Abilities Required for the Study of Medicine; http://65.39.131.180/ContentPage.aspx?name=MD_Program_Admissions
- 2. All students will be required to understand and comply with Faculty/program immunization policies and requirements. All students will be required to comply with provincial communicable disease surveillance protocols developed under the Public Hospitals Act, Regulation 965. (Reference: Public Hospitals Act, R.R.O. 1990, Regulation 965, http://192.75.156.68/DBLaws/Regs/English/900965 e.htm)

III Students with a communicable disease:

Strict confidentiality concerning the student's state of health will be maintained. The student is central to the process. Students who are accepted into the program, who have a communicable disease, may pursue their studies provided that their continued involvement does not pose a health or safety hazard to themselves or to others. Students will be offered counseling regarding career decisions and transferring.

- 1. Students with tuberculosis, hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV infection are professionally obligated, on acceptance, to inform the relevant Assistant Dean (Undergraduate, Postgraduate).
- 2. The Assistant Dean should consult with an Expert Board (ExB), and/or other experts, as appropriate.

When a student's clinical duties or clinical exposure is to be modified, limited or abbreviated, the Assistant Dean should be notified. The Assistant Dean will request input from the Expert Board regarding the details of the modifications or limitations.

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- The student will be offered advice and counseling that will assist him/her regarding clinical practice.
- 4. Students who acquire a communicable disease, or incur an injury or other medically related incident during their education program are required to seek medical attention immediately. The incident must be reported and documented by the student, at the earliest opportunity, to the Faculty of Health Sciences Occupational Health and Safety Office, the appropriate clinical supervisor, program director and the Assistant Dean. The Assistant Dean will ensure that appropriate documentation and counseling is provided through the assistance of the Expert Board.
- 5. Students and residents have the right to appeal decisions made by the Assistant Dean or the Expert Board by submitting, in writing or in person, a proposed amendment to the decision and the rationale supporting such an amendment. The student or resident may submit additional documentation from his/her personal physician or other healthcare worker in support of their appeal. In the case where the student's or resident's appeal is rejected by the Assistant Dean and/or Expert Board, the student or resident may engage in the Student Appeal Procedure of the University to submit any additional appeal.

IV Composition of the Expert Board:

The case will be reviewed anonymously by the Expert Board. To ensure that the student's confidentiality is respected and maintained, the student will be advised of the membership of the Board prior to the case being reviewed. Disclosure of the nature of the communicable disease will be limited to the relevant Assistant Dean and the Director of the student's education program.

Assistant Dean, Chair (from appropriate program)
Infectious diseases expert physicians (1-2)
Physician from the discipline of the student (if applicable)
Student representative (e.g., local PAIRO representative)

Additional resources available to the Expert Board:

Medical Officer of Health Occupational Health Ethicist

The Expert Board will meet on an ad hoc basis, as required.

V Co-Responsibility with Hospitals

The Faculty of Health Sciences and the teaching hospitals each are responsible for ensuring that students are adequately instructed in infection prevention and control as it relates to communicable diseases. This will include the following:

- 1. The Faculty will provide an introductory program on routine practices/standard precautions, infection prevention and control that is consistent with current guidelines and occupational health and safety. In addition, the Faculty will inform students as to their responsibilities with respect to infection prevention and control and occupational health and safety.
- 2. Affiliated teaching hospitals are required to comply with the Communicable Disease Surveillance Protocols for Ontario Hospitals developed under the Public Hospital Act, Regulation 965. Compliance with these Protocols requires the hospitals, in liaison with the University's academic programs, to provide instruction in infection prevention and control and occupational health and safety.

VI Occupational Health

All students will receive appropriate instruction with respect to adverse exposures (e.g., chemicals and radiation) which they may encounter during their program. "While students are not covered by the Occupational Health and Safety Act or its regulations, the University is also committed to fulfilling its responsibilities concerning the health and safety of its students." (Note: residents, as employees of the hospitals are covered through the hospital Occupational Health; refer to PAIRO/CAHO agreement, Article 19.14: http://pairo.jibby-jab.com/Content/Default. aspx?pq=1091)

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Examples of specific communicable diseases included in this policy:

Blood-borne pathogens HIV/Hepatitis B, C, D.

Enteric pathogens

Salmonella / Shigella / Campylobacter / E-coli 0:157/ verotoxin producing Giardia Amoebiasis

Other

Influenza / Hepatitis A / Meningococcal disease/ Measles / Mumps /Rubella / Tuberculosis / Varicella

C. HUMAN SOLUTIONS - EMPLOYEE & FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EFAP)

Whether you are looking for simple advice related to life balance or health management issues, or you need support in dealing with more complex emotional/psychological issues, your EFAP is here to help. Through our partnership with Human Solutions, we offer a broad range of services to you and your dependant family members. These services include:

- Plan Smart Series
- Health Management
- Counselling

The **Plan Smart Services** are designed to provide life balance solutions. These services include consultation with a specialist, as well as a package of valuable support and resource material. Topics covered include:

- Eldercare
- Childcare
- Pre-Retirement Planning
- Financial Planning
- Legal Advisory
- Career Counselling
- · E-learning courses include a range of life and leadership skills

The **Health Management Services** are designed to provide a range of relevant and timely health related information. The online health library offers a wide variety of relevant articles and up-to-date information supported by the Canadian Medical Association. The online Health Planning tools can assist you in setting and reaching health related goals such as proper nutrition, exercise, and overall personal well being. We also offer nutritional counselling that includes one-on-one support and customized information.

Counselling at Human Solutions focuses on addressing specific problems, working with a highly trained professional. All clinicians are either Master level counsellors or PhD Psychologists. In the Hamilton area there are multiple counselling locations to meet your needs. When you call or email to set up an appointment, you will be matched with a counsellor who best meets your needs. Counselling areas include, but are not limited to:

- Communication
- Family dynamics
- Marriage dynamics
- Human learning and motivation
- Child and adolescent development
- Parenting
- · Anxiety disorders
- Mood disorders
- Clinical assessment
- Addictions
- Personality development

About Human Solutions

Human Solutions is a full spectrum independent provider of EFAP services. The organization is a Canadian leader in the field of employee and organizational health products and services. It has been providing services to Canadian employers for over 25 years.

To Access Services

To access the counselling or Plan Smart Services please contact us at 1-800-663-1142. You can call Human Solutions 24 hours a day, seven days a week to make arrangements to see a counsellor at a time and office location convenient to you. As an alternative to face-to-fact counselling, you can also work with a counsellor online or by telephone.

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To access the online services, visit www.humanservices.ca and register at Member Services.

D. STUDENT WALK HOME ATTENDANT TEAM (SWHAT)

McMaster University Student Centre, Room 204 Telephone: 905-525-9140, Extension 27500

Volunteer teams of one male and one female provide safe, friendly accompaniment for any member of the McMaster community who request a walk. SWHAT is open 7 days a week from September to April, from dusk until 1 a.m. (7:00 p.m. - 1 a.m. daily) SWHAT will walk to or from ANY location on campus within a 15 to 20 minutes radius off campus.

WALK SAFE. WALK SWHAT.

E. GAY AND LESBIAN MEDICAL, PROFESSIONAL AND HEALTH RESOURCES

GLMA Gay and Lesbian Medical Association

459 Fulton St., Suite 107 San Francisco, CA 94102 Telephone: 415-255-4547 FAX: 415-255-4784

E-mail: info@glma.org Web Site: www.glma.org

F. WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM (WHMIS)

The Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) is a comprehensive national system for safe management of hazardous chemicals which is legislated by both the federal and provincial jurisdictions.

WHMIS is mandatory training for anyone working with or in the proximity of hazardous materials.

The WHMIS legislation provides that workers must be informed about the hazards in the workplace and receive appropriate training to enable them to work safely. To accomplish this, WHMIS requires all suppliers (manufacturers, importers, packagers and processors) to label and prepare Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) for products they make, import, package, or process that meet the hazard criteria set out in the Controlled Product Regulations under the federal Hazardous Products Act. The buyers of these controlled products must make sure that these products are correctly labeled and that MSDSs are available.

Employers must set up worker education programs that instruct workers about the contents and significance of labels and MSDSs and how to work safely with hazardous materials.

In summary, WHMIS delivers the necessary information by means of:

- cautionary labels on containers of controlled products
- the provision of an MSDS for each controlled product
- · a worker education program

The ultimate goal is to create a safer workplace by providing workers with the knowledge and tools to enable them to work safely.

The Postgraduate Medical Education office will issue a list of session dates.

Intimidation/Harassment

A. BREAK THE CYCLE OF RESIDENT INTIMIDATION

Are you part of the problem?

"It's just part of the job."

"I don't like it, but this is the way it's always been."

"Complaining won't change anything."

"What can I do? ...besides I'll be out of here soon."

"It's a necessary part of training."

Is it? Break the Cycle

- workload abuse
- ridiculing
- threatening gestures
- · exclusion from learning experiences
 - disallowing sick leave
 - · belittling comments

It's not "just part of the job," and it's not a "necessary part of training." It's harassment.

Surveys have confirmed that resident harassment does occur and, worse yet, is somehow viewed as acceptable behavior by some staff and residents.

It is not.

Resident Well Being

Trust, respect, fairness and a spirit of collegiality between faculty and residents at McMaster is essential for creating the best possible environment for learning. And in a teaching hospital, creating this environment will attract the best to McMaster as well as produce top quality physicians.

Research has shown that harassment and intimidation actually achieves the opposite environment – one that hinders learning. Incidents of harassment or intimidation undermine professional confidence, and in some cases compromise health care delivery. And, simply put, it's unprofessional.

Harassment and intimidation includes, but is not limited to:

- unfair work demands:
- discrimination based on race, culture gender, religion, sexual orientation or school of medical graduation;
- verbal abuse: shouting, swearing, belittling, ridiculing, disparaging remarks of sexist, homophobic, religious or ethnic grounds;
- physical abuse: throwing objects, pushing, slapping or making threatening gestures;
- sexual abuse: unwelcome comments, gestures, touching or actions of a sexual nature;
- workload abuse: contractual infraction, excessive service volume, lack of supervision, or not making reasonable illness, disability or leave allowances;
- reprisal for having lodged, or being a witness in, a harassment or intimidation complaint; and
- education compromise: grading unfairly, or unreasonable exclusion from a learning experience.

Residents - what you should do:

The only way to break the cycle is to come forward. McMaster needs a process that is open and responsive to these issues, for everyone involved.

As a first step, residents can discuss the situation with either:

- the individual involved:
- a clinical supervisor;
- a representative of PAIRO
- a Program Director
- a Department or Division Head

If in doubt, or if a resolution does not occur, residents are encouraged to make a verbal or written complaint to the Assistant Dean, Postgraduate Medical Education.

It will then be investigated in a fair and constructive manner for all parties concerned.

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The process is complainant driven, meaning the complainant will be consulted along each step of the way.

Break the Cycle

Like any form of abuse, resident harassment will continue in a generational pattern. If residents are taught in a way that focuses on learning through intimidation, they will be more likely to teach their future residents in the same destructive manner. All faulty and residents must help break this cycle.

For more information contact:

Postgraduate Medical Education Office MDCL 3101B 525-9140, extension 22118

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B. DEALING WITH HARASSMENT – A BRIEF GUIDE

McMaster University is committed to building an inclusive community with a shared purpose and does not tolerate harassment of any kind among its members. Harassment is defined as a course of vexatious comment or conduct that is known, or ought reasonably to be known, to be unwelcome.

Harassing behaviour is generally divided into two distinct types: 1) general harassment or "bullying" and 2) harassment based on a human rights ground (sex, sexual orientation, race, religion, age, skin colour, etc.). McMaster University offers the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services (HRES) as a resource for dealing with human-rights-related harassment; bullying must be addressed through internal departmental, program or faculty procedures or under the Student Code of Conduct.

Every postgraduate medical resident has the right to consult HRES about possible harassment. You may contact the HRES directly at hres@mcmaster.ca or 905-525-9140, ext. 24235 or through its Health Sciences Liaison, Dr. Anne Niec (905-521-2100, ext. 73166). The consultation will be kept strictly confidential and, while the HRES representative will likely offer you advice on how to go about addressing your

concern (including bringing a complaint under one of the University's policies), there is no obligation on you to take any step the HRES rep might suggest. You maintain control of the process. The only exception to the rule of strict confidentiality is when the situation you bring to HRES suggests that you or any other member of our community is in immediately physical danger – in such a case, the HRES rep is required to report the situation to the appropriate authorities for safety reasons.

For issues of bullying, you may still contact HRES for guidance or you may follow any of the options outlined below.

If you are being harassed:

Depending on the nature of the harassment and the identity of the people involved, you might consider taking these steps:

- **Ask for Help:** Contact HRES staff or our Health Sciences Liaison for help. Talk to your supervisor, another member of faculty you trust, or the program director or chair.
- **Keep a Record:** Take notes of the dates, times and locations of all harassing behaviours and include the names of any witnesses. If you know of others who are being harassed as well, talk to them and ask them to document their experiences as well. Come for help together.
- Tell the Harasser to Stop: If you feel you can do so safely, tell the harasser in a diplomatic tone that you consider his or her behaviour to be harassment and you expect them to stop. If you feel you cannot face the person directly, you might also consider sending an e-mail or letter. Identify what they are doing that is inappropriate and tell them to stop it. Keep notes of your conversation or a copy of the e-mail or letter.
- **Keep Yourself Safe**: Whatever you do, make sure you remain safe (both physically and emotionally). Try to avoid being alone with the harasser; bring a friend or colleague if you have to meet with the person. Remain calm and professional in those situations where you have to have contact with the person. Keep a record if you see the person in a place or at a time when you would not expect to see them.
- **Get Support:** Find someone (a friend, colleague, supervisor, faculty member) who will respect how you feel and be supportive of you. Tell them about the situation. Ask

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for their help. See your doctor if the stress of the situation is having a negative effect on your health.

So if you have any concerns that you or someone you know may be dealing with a harassment situation, contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Services. The staff there will listen to your concerns, help you to identify whether or not the behaviour with which you are dealing is harassment, guide you to the appropriate policy or process and help you strategize on how to address the problem. The consultation is confidential and there is no obligation attached – you control the process.

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Position Paper on Harassment: http://rcpsc.medical.org/residency/accreditation/positionpapers/harassment_e.pdf

Sexual Harassment

A. HUMAN RIGHTS & EQUITY SERVICES

The Human Rights & Equity Services office implements the Sexual Harassment and Anti-Discrimination Policies. These policies apply to on-campus activities as well as certain off-campus activities. For example, students engaged in off-campus University-sanctioned academic activities (such as co-op placements, internships and practica) have access to these policies. Our services to students, staff and faculty include:

Consultation and Advice

We provide confidential consultations on human-rights-related issues of all kinds. We'll listen to what you have to say, discuss you options with you, and intervene (in most cases) only if you wish us to intervene.

Awareness and Education

We raise awareness and provide education with regard to harassment, discrimination, accommodation (of religious beliefs and disabilities of all kinds) and other human-rights related issues. We will work with you, your organization or group to design programs to address specific situations.

Resolution of Complaints

We will meet with campus members who feel that they have been subjected to harassing or discriminatory behaviour based on a human rights ground. We can offer guidance as to the options the person has available to address the concern, including the dispute resolution process under the Sexual Harassment and Anti-Discrimination policies.

Milé Komlen, Director

Vilma Rossi, Program Coordinator

Elaine Hay, Administrative Assistant

McMaster University Student Centre, Room 212

Telephone: 905-525-9140, ext. 27581 Fax: 905-522-7102

E-mail: hres@mcmaster.ca Website: www.mcmaster.ca/hres

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Appointment times outside of these hours may be

accommodated upon request.)

Faculty of Health Sciences Liaison:

McMaster Medical Centre - Dr. Anne Niec, 905-521-2100, ext. 73166

Sexual Harassment

B. COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF ONTARIO (CPSO) - TASK FORCE ON SEXUAL ABUSE OF PATIENTS

In January 1991 the CPSO appointed an independent Task Force on Sexual Abuse of Patients. After review, consultation and revision, the College presented its own recommendations to the Ministry of Health in September 1992.

In October 1992 the Ministry of Health introduced a discussion paper based on the College recommendations and in November the Ministry introduced Bill 100, an Act to Amend the Regulated Health Professions Act.

The recommendations of the CPSO are 60 in total. The document in its entirety is available from the College upon request. The College's address is: The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, 80 College Street, Toronto, Ontario M5G 2E2 or Telephone: 1-800-268-7096.

DEFINITIONS:

The College has defined three levels of PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT.

I SEXUAL IMPROPRIETY - any behaviour such as gestures or expressions that are sexually demeaning to a patient, or which demonstrate a lack of respect for the patient's privacy.

II SEXUAL TRANSGRESSION - any inappropriate touching of a patient that is of a sexual nature, short of Sexual Violation.

III SEXUAL VIOLATION - physician-patient sex, whether or not initiated by the patient, including, but not limited to, sexual intercourse, masturbation, genital to genital contact, oral to genital contact, oral to anal contact and genital to anal contact.

MANDATORY REPORTING:

It is mandatory that a member of the College notify the College in writing when he or she has reasonable grounds to believe that another member of the College is or has been engaged in sexual transgression or sexual violation, and that such information be recorded and retained by the College. CPSO also makes recommendations regarding Third Party Reports, Multiple Party Reports, Mandatory Reporting whereby the patient is a physician.

THIRD PARTY PRESENCE DURING EXAMINATIONS:

Patients have the right to a third party present during internal/intimate examinations if they wish, with the exception of life threatening emergencies. In some cases, the physician will be able to provide this third party. In cases where a physician is unable to provide such a person, patients should be informed that they may bring a person of their choosing with them. In non-emergency situations, physicians have the right to insist that a third party be present during internal/intimate examinations, and to refuse to conduct a routine internal/intimate examination if the patient refuses consent for a third party to be in the room.

Stress

A. PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERNS AND RESIDENTS OF ONTARIO (PAIRO)

The PAIRO Office 400 University Avenue, Suite 1901 Toronto, ON M5G 1S5 Telephone: 416-979-1182

Tollfree: 1-877-979-1183

THE HOTLINE - IS TOLL FREE 1-866-435-7362 (1-866-HELP-DOC) Did you know that 1 in 5 housestaff suffer from work-related stress. Impairment can be prevented! Are you at risk? We can help. You are not alone!

THE HOTLINE...

is a confidential referral service for both housestaff and their families. The contact physicians are not volunteers from the teaching hospitals; they are third parties who will issue a professional response to your call.

B. PHYSICIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE:

"When the going gets tough"

Problems can occur to anyone at anytime, but residency is particularly stressful in an already stressful profession.

Problems may range from overwork and a feeling of being unable to keep up or being "stressed out", to sleeping and temper problems, marital/relationship disarray, financial problems and the results of the use of alcohol and prescribed or illicit drugs. As a physician you may well have learned how to deal with some of these in other people, but you may find you or one of your colleagues is not immune. In addition to resources previously mentioned such as your Family Physician, PAIRO Hotline, Program Director, and EAP, the following are also available to you:

Ontario Medical Association (OMA) 525 University Ave., Suite 300 Toronto, ON M5G 2K7 Telephone: 416-599-2580

Tollfree: 1-800-268-7215

PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM

A confidential program of the Ontario Medical Association (OMA) for physicians and their families at risk of or suffering from alcohol or drug problems.

Website: www.phpoma.org/php/www/index.html

Call anytime: CONFIDENTIAL OMA HELPLINE 1-800-851-6606

Dr. Michael Kaufmann Dr. Joy Albuquerque Medical Director 416-340-2972 Associate Director

Members of the Ontario Medical Association have volunteered to be available by phone to colleagues and their family members who feel they would benefit from a confidential discussion of their situation. We can assist with a wide variety of problems, marital family, personal stress, etc. Our Helpline will serve as a sounding board, providing help with problem definition, suggestions on using local resources, additional information, and general advice about seeking further clinical assistance.

The OMA volunteers are prepared to respond as a "knowledgeable friend", but not in a professional capacity. When you phone, please indicate - you are calling the OMA Helpline - Your first name only. On those ocassions when you have to leave a message, please provide your first name, area code, telephone number and a couple of times when you can be reached.

Medical and Legal Matters

If you are involved in any legal matters related to your professional activities (including being asked to give evidence) the following guidelines are recommended, according to the specific nature of the problem:

You should always contact the clinical supervisor responsible for the case in question; they will be able to provide support and advice, especially if they are required to participate in the same legal proceedings.

Contact your Program Director; your program director is there to offer support and guidance. S/he will ensure your best interests are being attended to and that appropriate management is being offered.

You may wish to: Contact PAIRO, you are a member of the Professional Association of Interns and Residents. Each school has representatives who will be able to counsel and assist you. Canadian Medical Protective Association should be contacted immediately. Membership with CMPA is required.

Important Phone Numbers

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION OFFICE

905-525-9140, Extension 22118

McMASTER UNIVERSITY SERVICES

905-525-9140

HUMAN RIGHTS & EQUITY SERVICES OFFICE Extension 27581

STUDENT WALK HOME ATTENDANT TEAM (SWHAT) Extension 27500

SECURITY

Extension 24281

COMMUNITY SERVICES

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE (HPS) 905-546-4925

SUICIDE CRISIS HOTLINE 905-522-1477

SUICIDE EDUCATION AND RESOURCE OFFICE 905-521-1660

SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE 905-525-4162

VICTIM'S SERVICES 905-546-4904

POISON INFORMATION CENTRE 1-800-268-9017

DRUG & ALCOHOL INFOLINE 1-800-463-6273

HAMILTON AIDS NETWORK INFOLINE 905-528-0854

HUMAN SOLUTIONS – EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) 1-800-663-1142

ASSOCIATIONS, etc.

CANADIAN MEDICAL PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION (CMPA) 1-800-267-6522 or 613-725-2000

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS OF ONTARIO (CPSO) 1-800-268-7096 or 416-961-1711

HAMILTON ACADEMY OF MEDICINE 905-528-1611

HOMEWOOD HEALTH CENTRE 519-824-1762

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERNS & RESIDENTS OF ONTARIO (PAIRO) 416-979-1182 or 1-877-979-1183

PAIRO HOTLINE1-866-435-7362 HELP-DOC



