

The Canadian Association of Pathologists Continuing Professional Development Mission Statement and Goals

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Mission Statement

The CPD program of the Canadian Association of Pathologists (CAP-ACP), under the leadership of the CAP-ACP CPD Committee, is committed to providing an educational environment that fosters the continuing professional development of all its members through diverse learning opportunities that promote their skills in all seven CanMEDS roles¹, as well as facilitating opportunities for self directed assessment and learning, to ultimately enhance patient care.

CPD Goals

1. Enhance the scientific and tacit knowledge, and diagnostic skills relevant to the practice of Pathology.
2. Promote and facilitate the adoption or integration of new scientific evidence into practice.
3. Improve the performance of pathologists in achieving improved health outcomes experienced by patients.
4. Provide strategies and tools to enable pathologists to self-assess their professional needs to facilitate and support self-learning and practice assessment activities.
5. Enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the self-directed learning skills and strategies of pathologists to facilitate the management of their CPD.
6. Enable pathologists to individually or collectively review their performance in practice.
7. Promote the ability of pathologists to share their practice experiences as members of a community of practice.
8. Promote learning strategies linked to a health professional team or group to enhance learning outcomes.
9. Link learning activities and strategies to all CanMEDS¹ roles and competencies.
10. The CAP-ACP will accomplish these goals through the Annual Meeting, the Canadian Journal of Pathology, the CAP-ACP website providing online self assessment programs.

Reference

1. <http://rcpsc.medical.org/canmeds/index.php>

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