

ANNOUNCEMENT



Dr. David Malkin



Dr. David Malkin, clinician-scientist, cancer physician and academic leader, is appointed 2nd President of Friends of CIHR

Toronto – October 15, 2021 – The Board of Directors of Friends of Canadian Institutes of Health Research (FCIHR) is pleased to announce that Dr. David Malkin, MD, FRCPC is appointed President and Board Chair of FCIHR – effective January 1, 2022. Dr. Malkin is a pediatric oncologist, an active clinician-scientist, a committed educator and an accomplished administrative leader.

Dr. Malkin is Professor of Pediatrics and Medical Biophysics in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto and is the CIBC Children's Foundation Chair in Child Health Research, Director of the Cancer Genetics Program, and co-lead of the Precision Child Health initiative at the Hospital for Sick Children. In addition, he leads regional and national programs in precision oncology for children, adolescents and young adult cancer patients with the aim to transform the outcomes for these patients. Dr. Malkin's research program focuses on genetic and genomic mechanisms of childhood cancer susceptibility, advances from which have led him to receive many awards and recognitions.

Dr. Malkin succeeds Dr. Aubie Angel, founding President of FCIHR, who notes: *"I am delighted with this Appointment as Dr. David Malkin brings new energy and perspective to the vision and mission of FCIHR and will provide fresh leadership and direction for the many members of our vibrant enterprise".*

FCIHR is a national not-for-profit organization that was established in 2000 to support the goals and ideals of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and to communicate the value of health research to a broad, multifaceted public audience. Through a spectrum of programs, FCIHR also seeks to attract and support young health science trainees and scientists in their career development. The Henry G. Friesen International Prize in Health Research program, which began in 2006 and which includes visits and scholarly events in Canadian universities, exemplifies our mission. FCIHR also convenes public gatherings and roundtables of experts to discuss important health sciences issues of the day, and therein collaborates with like-minded Canadian health science organizations in all sectors.

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