

Israeli EM: Honors and Appointments



Dr. Ivan P. Steiner, an Emergency Physician and a Professor from the University of Alberta, winner of 16 other teaching awards, has been honoured with the 3M National Teaching Fellowship, the highest national award for

teaching and leadership in education in Canada, for his revolutionary patient- and student-centered teaching of emergency medicine.

Cosponsored by the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) and 3M Canada Company, the fellowships are open to 42000 Canadian university teachers from all disciplines. Up to 10 Fellowships are presented each year. Since their inception in 1986, Fellowships have been awarded to 218 Canadian university professors, representing 41 universities. In previous years only 5 clinicians have been selected: 3 internists, a psychiatrist and a family physician. This is a first for emergency medicine.

Dr. Steiner's collaboration with Emergency Medicine in Israel started in 1997 and it involves medical education, the Israeli Journal of Emergency Medicine and collaborative scholarly activities.



Dr. Michael J. Drescher was recently appointed 'Ambassador to Israel' by the president of the American College of Emergency Physicians. Dr Drescher was born in the US, went to medical school at Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical School in Jerusalem, trained in emergency medicine at the University of Connecticut, spent five years as an EM attending physician at Sheba Medical Center at Tel Hashomer in Israel, one of which as acting director, and is currently the Associate Chief of the Division of Emergency Medicine at Hartford Hospital and the University of Connecticut. Dr Drescher has a special interest in workforce issues in Israeli EM, as well as the promotion of cooperation and collaboration between EM in Israel and in North America, and is Senior Associate Editor of the Israeli Journal of Emergency Medicine.