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Biography:

Dr. Videsh Kapoor is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the UBC Department of Family Practice and family physician practicing in Vancouver, Canada and completed all of her medical training at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. She is involved in numerous Faculty of Medicine curriculum development and teaching activities, including Communication and Clinical Skills and family practice preceptorships, and most notably in establishing Global Health education programs for both undergraduate and postgraduate medical students. She is the Director of the Division of Global Health in the Department of Family Practice and the Global Health Theme Leader in the Medical Undergraduate Program at the University of British Columbia (UBC). She chaired the development of national consensus core global health competencies for medical undergraduate curricula in association with the AFMC (Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada) and CFMS (Canadian Federation of Medical Students). In collaboration with the CFPC (College of Family Medicine of Canada) Global Health Committee, she is currently working on the development of core competencies in global health for Family Medicine Residency Programs. She is the Faculty Advisor for the UBC Medicine Global Health Initiative, which was co-founded by medical students and faculty and this novel program includes a series of workshops, several international projects, and curriculum development. Dr. Kapoor supervises and participates in four of these projects located in India, Kenya, Nepal, and Uganda. In 2016, she worked with students and community partners to launch the Refugee Health Initiative, which pairs medical students with refugee families in the first year of their resettlement. She has also developed a sustainable partnership with a remote health centre in the Peruvian Amazon. She is also a member of the advisory board of the School of Journalism's International Reporting Program. In 2007, she was awarded Family Practice Teacher of the Year by the BC College of Family Physicians. She has been the recipient of a teaching excellence award from the Global Health Education Consortium (Velji Award) in 2010. In 2011, she was awarded by medical students the UBC Medical Undergraduate Society Dr. William Webber Award in recognition of her contribution to undergraduate medical education and commitment to the future physicians of British Columbia. In 2014, Dr. Kapoor was the recipient of the UBC Alumni Global Citizenship Award.