

NATIONAL OFFICER REPORT

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INTRODUCTION:

The National Officers for Information Technology (NOIT) are responsible for supporting the technology initiatives of the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS). This is accomplished through three overarching categories of work:

- Assisting the Executive and National Officers in performing IT-related work in their portfolios
- Developing new technology initiatives to expand the services that the CFMS offers its membership
- Maintaining existing technology assets, the most important of which are the CFMS website and email system

ACTIVITIES:

In addition to providing ongoing technical support and consulting services to the Executive and National Officers, the National Officers for Information Technology have been involved in several major projects since AGM 2013:

Website Bilingualization Project

This project, led by Bryce Durafourt (Executive Vice-President / Quebec Regional Representative) and Franco Dattilo (National Officer for Information Technology Jr.), proceeded in four phases:

1. Identification of website content requiring translation to French
2. Professional translation of the content
3. Implementation of a multilingual site at cfms.org
4. Migration of the translated content onto the multilingual site

The National Officers for Information Technology were principally involved in the final two steps, which represented the majority of their efforts over the past several months.

FUTURE WORK

In the future the majority of my time will likely to be spent in continued updates to the website software, and in providing IT support to the Executive and National Officers. There will be

significant time devoted to continuing bilingual site support and integration. There is also interest in enhancing security and stability in CFMS IT assets.