

Centre for Medical and Health Sciences Education (CMHSE)

## **Special Seminar**

**International Invited Speaker: Dr Keyna Bracken**

**Tuesday 31 January 2017, 12noon – 1.30pm**

**Room 503-028, Grafton Campus**

# **Resiliency, globalization of medicine and inequities in health care. Is there a relationship?**



Interest in global health is rising in medical schools around the world. Opportunities in international service learning comprise much of medical students' undergraduate global health exposure, and this can empower students to address inequities in health care and advocate for social justice. No country is immune from social inequities and vulnerable populations who face higher burdens of morbidity and mortality. Global health is relevant to the development of humanistic physicians, who are better able to address the needs of complex, diverse and often underserved communities whether home or abroad.

**Dr Keyna Bracken** is an associate professor in the department of Family Medicine at McMaster University. She is currently the Director of Enhanced Skills Program and Clerkship Director for the department of Family Medicine. Keyna has received a HAHSO grant for innovation to obstetrical care delivery, partnered with other departments at McMaster in several studies including, BHIP (Be Healthy in Pregnancy), and Public Health in, 'My Baby and me' Passport program for young mothers. Keyna is actively involved in teaching emergency obstetrical skills internationally with the Society of Obstetricians of Gynecologists of Canada and is collaborating with colleagues at Syiah Kuala University Indonesia, for part of her sabbatical in 2017 to work on maternal child curriculum development. In addition to Maternal Child Care and International Health work, Keyna is passionate about medical education, especially as it relates to the development of resilient, reflective professionals. Keyna is currently involved in medical education research looking at the uses of social power in clinical learning environments. Keyna has been recognized for excellence in clinical practice by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario and has received numerous teaching awards.

**12 noon – 12.30pm – light lunch and networking**

**12.30 – 1.30 – Seminar presentation**