Society of Rural Physicians of Canada 27TH ANNUAL RURAL AND REMOTE MEDICINE COURSE Halifax Nova Scotia • Halifax Convention Centre APRIL 4 - 6, 2019

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada, it is our pleasure to welcome you to Halifax for the 27th Annual Rural and Remote Medicine Course. Our theme this year is "Coastal Connections", and our diverse program celebrates many aspects of being a rural doctor in Canada. The majority of our sessions came from submissions and recommendations from SRPC members, and the agenda promises to be interactive and thought-provoking. This year's conference provides the opportunity to attend sessions showcasing the latest academic, clinical, and research developments.

The success of R&R2019 depends on the hard work of many individuals. We would like to thank the planning committee, the SRPC Council, and the staff of the SRPC office for their dedication over the past year. Their vision and efforts have helped to bring us together this week.

We hope that this year's conference provides a rich opportunity to learn from peers, exchange ideas, and connect with friends and colleagues. On behalf of the planning committee, we extend our warmest welcome to everyone joining us at the Rural and Remote Medicine Course 2019 and hope you enjoy your time in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dr. Margo Wilson & Dr. Gabe Woollam

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2019 Co-Chairs, Conference Planning Committee