

Individual Achievement

Vivienne Epstein, Speech Language Pathologist
Community Rehab – A Division of Saint Elizabeth Health Care, Hamilton



Dr. Linda Lee (l)
Vivienne Epstein (r)

Ms. Epstein has creatively and passionately worked to improve quality and access to Speech Language Pathology services for seniors for almost 30 years.

Her clinical work has had a specific focus on seniors who have challenges with communication arising from strokes, dementia and other neurological conditions. Her work occurs in the community, in individuals' homes and in day programs where she is able to provide meaningful intervention as well as education for families and care providers.

She is dedicated to the development and utilization of best practice models of care, research and measurement outcomes, and has advocated tirelessly for improvements in the local health care system to establish best practice services.

Her persistence and collaboration resulted in the establishment of Supported Conversation Groups in three adult day program sites in Hamilton, and the integration of these groups as part of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network Regional Aphasia Project.

Individual Achievement

Susan Gregg, Waterloo Wellington Clinical
Resource Consultant



Susan Gregg's career in geriatrics has spanned 17 years. She has played a leading role in implementing best practice geriatric consultation and education services, and is credited with a significant role in building the capacity of primary care and specialized geriatric services in her community.

Susan is a passionate educator, lifelong learner and is gifted with the ability to bring people together to find common ground.

Her contributions to the geriatric field are described as a "linker", "connector" and "bridge builder".

As a result of her creativity and initiative she has lead or supported the success of many valuable initiatives, including:

- ~ support groups for persons in the early stages of dementia;
- ~ an annual multidisciplinary community education conference;
- ~ improved access to specialized geriatric services, especially for rural seniors, through telemedicine; and
- ~ the establishment and ongoing support of primary care memory clinics.

Executive Achievement

Dr. Willie Molloy, Professor of Medicine,
St. Peter's McMaster Chair in Aging & Chair, Regional Geriatric Program central, Hamilton



For more than 25 years Dr. Molloy has provided the highest quality of care to literally thousands of older adults in Southern Ontario in outreach, outpatient and inpatient settings.

While his clinical skills are described as "second to none", he is also passionately committed to research and education, having authored more than 130 peer reviewed articles and written several books .

As a full professor of medicine he has mentored countless physicians and allied health professionals in specialized geriatric care.

Dr. Molloy has also developed numerous instruments for assessment for cognition, capacity, behavior, mood, and activities of daily living and has led several peer-reviewed clinical trials in dementia.

Dr. Molloy leads by example. His knowledge, leadership, work ethic and compassion motivate all who work with him to continually strive for excellence in the care of seniors and their families.