



The Canadian Association
of Forensic Medicine

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 3 @ 1400 ET

Acknowledgement



We would like to begin by acknowledging the Indigenous Peoples of all the lands that we are on today. While we meet on a virtual platform, we would like to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of the lands, which we each call home. We do this to reaffirm our commitment and responsibility in improving relationships between nations and to improving our own understanding of local Indigenous peoples and their cultures.

From coast to coast to coast, we acknowledge the ancestral and unceded territory of all the Inuit, Métis, and First Nations people that call this land home.

Please join us in a moment of reflection to acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past and to consider how we are and can each, in our own way, try to move forward in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.



The Canadian Association Forensic Medicine (CAFM) will promote the medical discipline of forensic pathology in Canada, delivering RCPSC certified annual conferences for education and research in forensic pathology and related disciplines.



Welcome and Call to Order

Purpose of the meeting:

- Receipt of the Agenda
- Update on the Financial Position
- Membership Report
- Approve the Slate of Directors
- Receipt of the Progress Reports



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Introductions

- Board of Directors
- Operations Team
- Support from the CAP-ACP





Presidents Report

Dr. Christopher Milroy
Full Professor,
University of Ottawa,
Eastern Ontario Forensic Pathology Unit



Board of Directors





Changes in the Slate

- **Completed terms:**
 - Thambiraja Balachnadra
 - Micheal Pollanen
- **New members to the slate:**
 - Elizabeth McKinnon
 - Althea Neblett
 - Jake Yorke

Slate of Directors 2027

Christopher Milroy	Director/President	2027-2028 (2 nd 2-year term)
Jacquelin Parai	Director/Secretary Treasurer	2027-2028 (2 nd 2-year term)
Matthew Bowes	Director	2027-2028 (2 nd 2-year term)
Matthew Orde	Director	2027-2028 (2 nd 2-year term)
Kona Williams	Director	2027-2028 (2 nd 2-year term)
Elizabeth McKinnon	Director	2027-2028 (1 st 2-year term)
Althea Neblett	Director	2027-2028 (1 st 2-year term)
Jake Yorke	Director	2027-2028 (1 st 2-year term)
Heather Dow	Executive Director	



Motion

Motion: That the following individuals be elected as Directors of CAFM, with their terms of office commencing January 1, 2027, and continuing for a term ending at the close of the applicable annual meeting in accordance with the by-laws.

- Moved _____ Seconded _____
- Discussion
- Decision



Transition provision:

Current Directors shall remain in office until December 31, 2026, unless their office is vacated earlier in accordance with the by-laws.

Operations Team



Heather Dow
CAE, CPC(HC), CPhT, HMCC, HPDE

Manager



Pamela Lyons, President & CEO
BComm, DES

Accounting



William Wilkins
BSc

Website



Maya Phaneuf

Membership



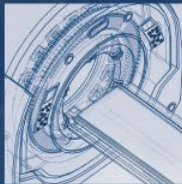
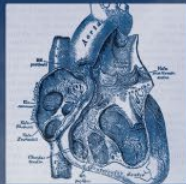
CAFM Founding Members





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FORENSIC PATHOLOGY IN CANADA

Past. Present. *Future.*

Join The Canadian Association of Forensic Medicine for our INAUGURAL MEETING of professionals as we discuss the history, present and future of forensic medicine in Canada.

DAY 1: Serving the Needs of
Canada's Indigenous People

DAY 2: Canada's Ongoing
Drug Intoxication Crisis:
An Update

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

- Recognize issues of death investigations and Indigenous people in Canada
- Describe the opioid crisis in Canada
- List different patterns of drug use across Canada

October 4–5, 2024

The Forensic Services and
Coroners Complex (FSCC)

25 Morton Shulman Ave.
Toronto, ON M3M 0B1

www.cafm-acml.com

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: October 1, 2024

**SCAN TO
REGISTER**





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HALIFAX

October 3-4 | 2025



**Saint Mary's
University**

McNally Auditorium

2025 CAFM-ACML ANNUAL MEETING

Canadian Forensic Medicine: Looking Ahead

- Describe how new & emerging technologies can be applied to Forensic Medicine.
- Analyze how the Portapique, Nova Scotia mass fatality incident will change policy in Canada.
- Discuss evolving best practices in forensic toxicology.

Day 1

Mass Fatalities & Emerging Technologies

Day 2

Toxicology & Biochemistry





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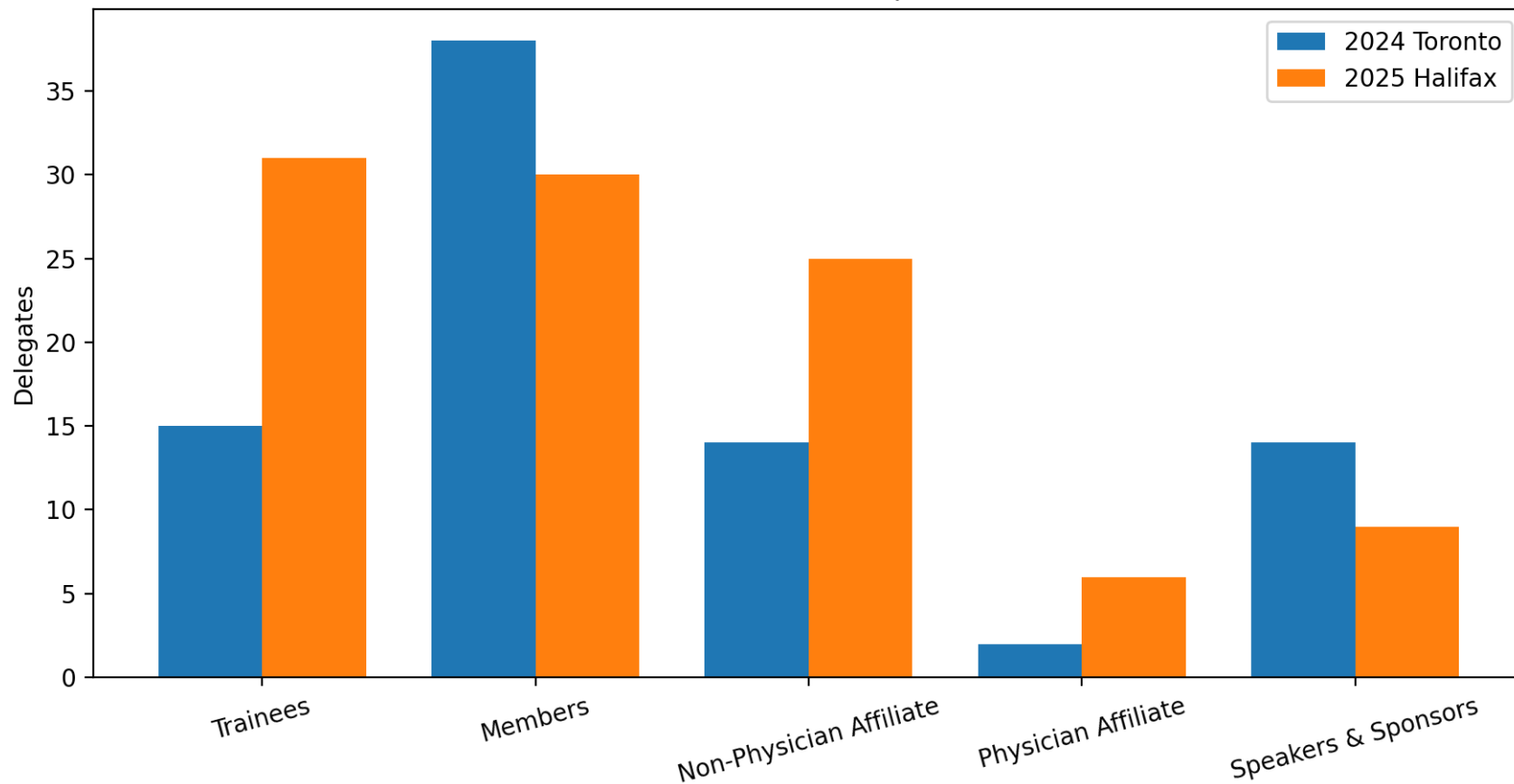


Conference Report



Category	2024 Toronto	2025 Halifax	Change
Trainees	15	31	+16
Members	38	30	-8
Non-Physician Affiliate	14	25	+11
Physician Affiliate	2	6	+4
Speakers & Sponsors	14	9	-5

CAFM Conference Attendance Comparison (2024 vs 2025)



Financial Summary



CAFM REVENUES	2025	2024	Variance
Membership	\$15,100.00	\$36,800.00	(\$21,700.00)
Membership Fee Recovery	\$193.28	\$0.00	+\$193.28
Conference Sponsorship	\$8,000.00	\$4,471.24	+\$3,528.76
Conference Registration	\$25,390.00	\$10,050.00	+\$15,340.00
Conference Fee Recovery	\$713.79	\$609.91	+\$103.88
Conference Tickets	\$1,875.00	\$0.00	+\$1,875.00
TOTAL REVENUE CAFM	\$51,272.07	\$51,931.15	(\$659.08)

Financial Summary



CAFM EXPENSES	2025	2024	Variance
Website	\$395.40	\$1,360.28	(\$964.88)
Management	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	—
Speakers	\$0.00	\$542.00	(\$542.00)
Catering	\$10,799.65	\$6,379.99	+\$4,419.66
Travel	\$3,261.92	\$467.35	+\$2,794.57
Printing & Supplies	\$45.00	\$770.15	(\$725.15)
Credit Card Costs	\$1,822.27	\$1,713.19	+\$109.08
Registration	\$239.95	\$195.00	+\$44.95
Board of Directors	\$1,150.40	\$0.00	+\$1,150.40
Awards	\$300.00	\$0.00	+\$300.00
Audio Visual	\$4,063.00	\$0.00	+\$4,063.00
TOTAL CAFM EXPENSE	\$32,077.59	\$21,427.96	+\$10,649.63



Membership Benefits

- **CONTRIBUTE** to a forum where forensic pathologists can *MEET ONE ANOTHER*, exchange ideas, *DISCUSS* practices, and *CONSIDER* new approaches to difficult and emerging problems.
- **ATTEND** annual meetings where we can receive continuing education that is relevant to our *PRACTICE AND OUR GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION/JURISDICTION*.
- Help **FOSTER AND PROMOTE** excellence in *DEATH INVESTIGATION* in Canada by *THE DEVELOPMENT OF BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES*, and by hosting educational programs for allied professionals.
- **ADVOCATE FOR OPTIMUM WORK ENVIRONMENTS** by collecting and sharing information about working conditions and creating workload and other standards that are relevant to our practice.
- Be part of the **VOICE** for all Canadian forensic pathologists, on the provincial, national, and international stage.
- Receive **DISCOUNTED RATES** to attend CAFM events.



Membership Types

Type	Voting	Description
Member	✓	A licensed medical doctor with recognized postgraduate training in Forensic Pathology.
Physician Affiliate	✗	A licensed medical doctor.
Non-Physician Affiliate	✗	A professional working in a medico-legal death investigation system, holding a graduate degree in a forensic field, or working in forensic medicine/medico-legal work.
Trainee	✗	A student enrolled in medical studies, postgraduate medical training, or relevant postgraduate studies at a recognized university.
Founding Fellow		Exclusive to <u>CAFM</u> Founders and was only available for a limited time in 2024. No longer available for sale.

Membership runs from January to December.

2024 Total Members = 71
2025 Total Members = 122

2024 Voting Members = 38
(28 Founding + 10 Members)

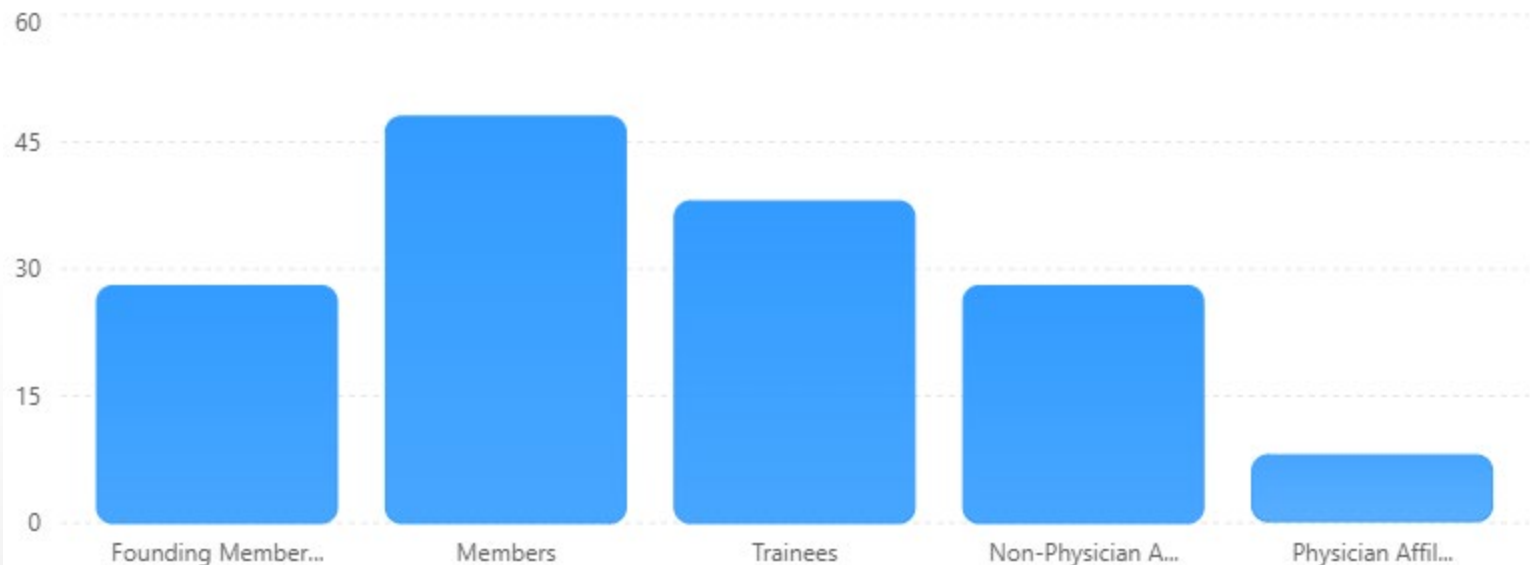
2025 Voting Members = 48



CAFM Membership Comparison (2024 vs 2025)

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Comparison of membership categories after adding 2025 renewals and conference registrations. Founding Members were retained in 2024 only.





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CAFM 2026

*"Deaths in Custody,
Molecular & Beyond"*

CAFM 2026 ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE. ADVANCE FORENSIC MEDICINE.



KEY DATES

ABSTRACTS OPEN TODAY!
May 13, 2026

SUBMISSION DEADLINE
August 15, 2026

ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATIONS
September 1, 2026



OPEN TO

Pathologists, Residents,
Pathologists' Assistants,
Investigators & Coroners
are encouraged to
submit abstracts.



AWARD

There will be
an Award to the
best poster.



BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION.

Present your research, share your insights,
and help shape the future of forensic medicine.

SUBMIT TODAY!

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CAFM-ACML 4th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING



OCTOBER
1 & 2, 2027



Residence Inn by Marriott
Calgary Downtown/
Beltline District

CALGARY, ALBERTA

Connecting. Collaborating. Advancing Forensic Medicine.

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Thank You for Attending

