Biography Margaret Purden

Dr. Margaret Purden received her B.Sc.(N.) and PhD in Nursing from the School of Nursing at McGill University. She is Assistant Director of the Graduate Program (PhD) at the School of Nursing, Faculty of Medicine, McGill



University. She has been the Scientific Director of the Centre for Nursing Research at the Sir Mortimer B. Davis - Jewish General Hospital since 1999 and Project Director at the Lady Davis Institute for Medical Research (LDI). Dr. Purden's research interests include: psychosocial factors influencing the long-term adjustment patterns of cardiac patients and their spouses; gender differences and psychosocial adjustment to cardiac disease; the role of family care giving in patient recovery; the marital relationship and recovery from illness; and the health care costs associated with long-term adjustment. At the same time Dr. Purden has conducted considerable work in the growing areas of Interprofessional Education (IPE) and Interprofessional Practice (IPP). Dr. Purden was co-lead investigator on a Health Canada funded project entitled The McGill Educational Initiative on Interprofessional Collaboration: Partnerships for Patient and Family-Centred Practice.