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DR. VIVEK GOEL'S BIOGRAPHY**

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Dr. Vivek Goel is currently vice-president and provost at the University of Toronto where he is also a professor in the Departments of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation and Public Health Sciences.

He is also adjunct senior scientist at the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) and Program in eHealth Innovation at University Health Network. He was president of the Central East Health Information Partnership, an Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care funded health intelligence unit. From 1999 to 2002 he was the scientific program leader at the Health Evidence Applications Linkages Network (HEALNet), a federal network of centres of excellence.

Dr. Goel is a licensed physician and Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Canada, having obtained his medical degree from McGill University. He did his post-graduate medical training in community medicine at the University of Toronto and also obtained a master's degree (M.Sc.) in Health Administration from the University of Toronto and a master's degree (S.M.) in Biostatistics from Harvard University's School of Public Health.

In 1991, he joined the University of Toronto as an assistant professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biostatistics. Dr. Goel served as chair of the Department of Health Administration in the Faculty of Medicine from 1999 until 2001.

Dr. Goel has been engaged in a broad range of research activities related to public health, particularly focusing on chronic disease prevention and control. These research activities include the economic evaluation of health care interventions, optimization of the use of laboratory tests in the periodic health examination and the development of measures for health status assessment.

He was engaged in the conception of the ICES practice patterns 'Atlas' series, the creation of innovative methods for informing frontline health providers about the results of health research, and in training and supervising numerous graduate and professional students. He has served on numerous local, provincial and federal committees related to public health as well as being involved in international activities through the Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO).

In his roles at the University of Toronto he has been engaged in many areas including academic, budget and space planning, academic human resources, information technology services and emergency response – including leading the university's efforts in managing SARS.

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