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KEYNOTE SPEAKER – PROFESSOR VICKI LE BLANC

Vicki LeBlanc, PhD, is Chair and Professor of the Department of Innovation in Medical Education at the University of Ottawa, and Director of the University of Ottawa Skills and Simulation Centre. She has over 15 years of experience leading research into a) optimizing the use of simulation in health professions education and b) the effects of emotions and stress on the performance of health professionals and front line workers. She has authored over 100 peer-reviewed publications, and regularly presents her work nationally and internationally. In addition to her research program, she works with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada to advance simulation-based education nationally and internationally and serves as an Associate Editor of the journal *Advances in Health Sciences Education*.