

Nycomed Donates \$40,000 to Université de Montréal's Training Program for Pneumology Residents to Support Research

On April 3, 2007, ALTANA Pharma, a Nycomed company, donated \$40,000 to Université de Montréal's training program for pneumology residents to support university research.

Pictured below, from left to right, are Dr. Denis Roy (Medical Director, Université de Montréal), Dr. Isabelle Boutin (Chief Medical Resident for Pneumology), Dr. Jean-Bruno Langdeau (Regional director, Medical Liaison for Nycomed), Dr. Manon Labrecque (Director, Pneumology Research Subcommittee on Resident Research) and Dr. Vincent Jobin (Acting Director of the Pneumology Program).



Etobicoke Woman's Dream Helps a Community Lifeline for Those with Diabetes: Winner of the First Bayer Dream Fund™ Contest Shares the Taste of Sweet Success

Living with diabetes has never been sweet for Susan Gipp of Etobicoke, Ontario. But it was not dessert that this fifty-something woman always dreamed of. Instead, her dream was to find a way to help herself and others in her community with diabetes stay healthy.

Bayer HealthCare, Diabetes Care has named Susan the first winner of The Bayer Dream Fund™ contest, an annual awards program that provides Canadians who effectively manage their diabetes with an opportunity to live their dreams. With this award, Susan will help sustain the Sweet Success program, a lifeline for those who live with diabetes. Sweet Success is a community-based educational program that teaches participants about disease self-management, including diet, exercise and involvement in their healthcare.

Susan, who lives with Type 2 diabetes, has optimally managed her disease for over 16 years through ongoing monitoring, diet, exercise and medication and credits the Sweet Success program with helping her to become more physically active. The program has been so successful that the group was forced to move from the Trillium Health Centre in Mississauga to the City of Mississauga's Huron Park Recreation Centre four months ago to accommodate the growing number of participants. As a result, it could no longer be offered free of charge and some participants were unfortunately forced to drop out.

With The Bayer Dream Fund™ \$5,000 prize, Susan is able to realize her dream of financially supporting those individuals who want to continue to be part of the Sweet Success program, but who are unable to pay. "The strength and support of Sweet Success helped me live a more fulfilling life by encouraging me to effectively manage my disease," says Susan. "I am grateful to the Bayer Dream Fund™ because now the group will have ongoing access to a program that will motivate them to take control of their diabetes and achieve positive results." **CPM**