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Biography

Dr. Alexandra Bastiany, MD FRCPC DRCPSC, is a cardiologist at Thunder Bay Regional Health Centre.

She earned her medical degree and completed her Internal medicine and Cardiology training at the Université de Montréal (UdeM). She graduated with honors, as the UdeM Faculty of Medicine first Black valedictorian. Dr. Bastiany then successfully completed a fellowship in Interventional Cardiology at the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute (University of Alberta) in Edmonton, making her the first Black Canadian Interventional Cardiologist.

Dr. Bastiany is fluent in English, French, and Haitian Creole. She was born and raised in Montreal, QC of Haitian parents and developed a strong interest in community work amongst visible minorities. She took direct action, according to her passion, and partnered with La Maison d'Haïti, a local community center to organize learning sessions on common health issues afflicting the Haitian population of Montreal, and for her efforts won 2nd place at the FMRQ Excelsior awards for her community work.

She has also worked directly with other local community organizations, and started career days for minority and children from underserved communities, working to provide them with representation via professional role models.

Combining her expertise in cardiovascular disease and her passion for community work, Dr. Bastiany is actively working to decrease the race and gender biases leading to differences in standard of care and clinical outcomes.