

Hi Everyone

A phrase I heard a long time ago is "the Professor is never known in his own house". The saying suggests that the accomplishments and capabilities of someone are often under-appreciated in their own local milieu.

I was reminded of this phrase last week. It came to me during the mandated standard Divisional leadership review of Ron Gottesman who gets this week's Departmental Acknowledgement.

I have known Ron since I was a junior resident in pediatrics and he was a senior resident. Quite frankly I was in awe of the guy back then. He always seemed to have the answer, knew what was going on with his team and most importantly made it seem effortless. He also made the juniors and students on his team look better than they were. He was the resident I wanted to be.

Ron entered the then emerging field of Pediatric Critical Care Medicine. After fellowship training at UCLA he came back to Montreal and very early on assumed the Directorship of our PICU. Indeed he has been the Director now for a remarkable 22 years. The PICU is an integral gear in the clinical operations of all