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Dr. MacKay-Lyons received her BSc (Physical Therapy) from University of Toronto, Canada; MSc (Physical Therapy) from University of Southern California; and PhD (Physiology) from Dalhousie University, Canada. She is a Professor in the Dalhousie University School of Physiotherapy, an Affiliated Scientist with the Nova Scotia Health Authority, and a cross-appointee with the Dalhousie University Department of Medicine and IWK Health Centre in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Marilyn has extensive clinical and research experience in neuro-rehabilitation, with a particular focus on exploring strategies to optimize recovery after stroke. She is vice chair of the Institutional Advisory Board of the Institute of Circulatory and Respiratory Health (ICRH), Canadian Institutes of Health Research and an ICRH Board member from 2012-15. In addition, Marilyn was Chair of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia Advisory Board (2012-16), and a member of the Advisory Board of the Institute of Health Promotion and Prevention, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (2016-17), Board of Directors of the Canadian Stroke Network (2010-14), and Research Policy Planning Committee of Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada (2003-08, 2011-12). She has received several awards in recognition of her contributions to neuro-rehabilitation research and outreach including the Enid Graham Memorial Lectureship, Life Membership in the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, Canadian Progress Club Women of Excellence Award for Research, R Wayne Putnam Award for Outstanding Contributions to Continuing Medical Education, and Dedicated Service Award from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.

