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Dr. Paula Rochon is a geriatrician and the vice-president of research at Women's College Hospital, which is fully affiliated with the University of Toronto. She is a senior scientist at Women's College Research Institute; a professor in the Department of Medicine and Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto; and a senior scientist at the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences. In July 2015 she was appointed as the inaugural Retired Teachers of Ontario Chair in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Toronto.

Dr. Rochon received her medical degree from McMaster University and subsequently completed a fellowship in geriatric medicine at the University of Toronto. Her research training included the completion of a fellowship in Geriatric Medicine at St. George's Hospital Medical School, U.K and a Master in Public Health degree from the Harvard School of Public Health, followed by a research fellowship in gerontology.

Dr. Rochon's research career has focused on understanding the unique needs of older adults, particularly women. She is one of the leading Canadian health-services researchers in geriatric medicine. In particular, her research explores how to promote health in older adults.

Dr. Rochon has a strong record of funding from federal funding agencies, and has published more than 200 papers in peer-reviewed journals.

In 2013, she was elected to the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). CAHS Fellows are those who have a history of outstanding performance in the academic health sciences in Canada.