Dr. E. Kirk Lyon, MD, FRCSC

CMA Deputy President, 1959-60
University of Toronto, 1923
General surgery

Dr. Lyon had a unique role in CMA history because he served in the newly created role of Deputy President after Prince Philip agreed to serve as the CMA President in 1959. As Deputy President, Dr. Lyon handled the Prince’s presidential duties in Canada. “A reception was held in Toronto,” Dr. H.E. MacDermot wrote in One Hundred Years of Medicine in Canada (1867-1967), “and the new President turned over to his Deputy, Dr. Lyon, the badge of office and charged him to represent him well in all CMA affairs.” In the 1950s, Dr. Lyon was also the driving force in the effort that led to the accreditation of Canadian hospitals.