Dr. Adam H. Wright, MB, FRCS (Eng.)

CMA President, 1909
University of Toronto, 1873
General practice, obstetrics and gynecology

Dr. Wright had a major impact on obstetrics in Canada. The Dictionary of Canadian Biography notes: “[When] Wright was an attending physician at the Burnside Lying-In Hospital, which was part of the Toronto General Hospital, conditions at this maternity hospital improved; the introduction of aseptic procedures during births, for instance, led to a decline in deaths. Though generally conventional in his obstetrical views and practices, Wright did help to advance obstetrics as a distinct field. His own rising status was evident in his election as President of the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in 1890.” He would also serve as chair of obstetrics at the University of Toronto and become active in public health as chair of Ontario’s Provincial Board of Health. He died in 1930.