

Dr. Azad achieved the academic rank of full professor in 2011 for her scholarship as a clinician teacher and researcher. As a geriatrician in full clinical practice, she is an innovative academic physician focusing on advancing women's health services, leading integrated gender health curriculum development, fostering women's career advancement, and promoting gender equity.

She has held many leadership positions: President of the FMWC; Director, Faculty of Medicine and the National & Provincial Chair of Equity, Diversity and Gender issues. She was the Head of the Division of Geriatric Services at the Ottawa General Hospital and post-amalgamation, she became Director of the Geriatric Assessment at The Ottawa Hospital. Her clinical research focuses mainly on heart failure, cardiovascular disease and gender differences in health – particularly in older women. She has led many peer reviewed research and publications.

Dr. Azad received AWARDING EXCELLENCE IN PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP from the Canadian Society of Physician Executive; University of Ottawa recognized her among 16 Extraordinary Women in Academia. She received May Cohen Gender Equity Award from the Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada and Women's Health Excellence in Teaching Award from the University of Ottawa.

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