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## **Meet Dr. Isra Levy, Vice President of Medical Affairs and Innovation, Canadian Blood Services**

In January 2018, Dr. Isra Levy joined the Canadian Blood Services Executive Management Team as the vice president of the Medical Affairs and Innovation division.

Dr. Levy has an impressive background that suits him well to this position. He graduated from the University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. After working in both South Africa and England, he later immigrated to Canada, obtained an MSc in Epidemiology from the University of Ottawa, and became a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. He has also attended the Senior Executive Fellows Program at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

Dr. Levy's hospital work has included general medicine, intensive care, geriatrics and oncology support. He has also practiced in community-based primary care in rural and urban settings. He has worked in research, policy and the public health milieu, most recently as the Medical Officer of Health in the City of Ottawa. He currently lives in Ottawa with his family, where he is also an Adjunct Professor of Epidemiology and Community Medicine at the University of Ottawa.

Dr. Levy welcomes questions, comments or, even greetings from any of our readers at any time. He can be reached at [isra.levy@blood.ca](mailto:isra.levy@blood.ca)



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