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B.J. Grechuk is a Nurse Practitioner with the Cardiology service at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital in Sydney, Nova Scotia. He has completed a Master of Nursing Nurse Practitioner (Adult) degree at the University of Toronto as well as a Collaborative Specialization in Resuscitation Science jointly through the Institute of Medical Science at University of Toronto and St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto. He completed his undergraduate education at Cape Breton University and holds a Bachelor of Science Nursing degree as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree.

His clinical work is divided between acute care, general inpatient cardiology and outpatient clinic work when not on inpatient service. Approximately half of his outpatient work is as a provider at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital's Heart Function Clinic with the other half spent as a provider at the same institution's Heart Failure Medication Optimization Clinic which he has co-lead with another Nurse Practitioner colleague since late 2022 (the same clinic that was a focus of much of the work presented by Dr. David McFarlane at the 2022 Heart Failure Update for those who may recall that presentation).

Mr. Grechuk has also, for the past year, served as the Most Responsible Healthcare Provider for Heart Failure for the Cape Breton Healthcare Complex providing clinical expertise and insight for the Nova Scotia Health Authority's Eastern Zone Quality Improvement plan focused on improving inpatient mortality and most importantly, improving patient outcomes. He has previously developed education sessions and given lectures to physician and allied health colleagues on the clinical assessment of heart failure as well as implementation of guideline-directed medical therapy. Outside of that, for the past two years he has served as a second year Nurse Practitioner student mentor at the University of Toronto and is a regular clinical practicum preceptor for Dalhousie University Nurse Practitioner students.

His clinical interests include infiltrative and arrhythmia-mediated cardiomyopathies as well as novel lipid lowering molecules and treatment. His research interests lie in the implementation of novel and emerging technologies to improve existing and, for their utilization in the development of, new care delivery methods to improve patient access and outcomes.

When not functioning in his day-to-day role, he also works as a virtual care, primary care provider for Nova Scotia Health and provide provider coverage in a long-term care facility. He is also a father of two and is married to a CCU nurse.