

Dr. Judith Fafard



Dr. Judith Fafard is a microbiologist-infectious disease specialist and the medical director of the Quebec Public Health Laboratory (LSPQ) at the INSPQ. A graduate of the Faculty of Medicine at Laval University and a member of the Department of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases at the University of Montreal, she possesses clinical expertise in STIs (sexually transmitted infections) and has contributed to several studies on the population health aspects of these infections.

Dr. Fafard practices as a physician in sexual health clinics and at the Lanaudière Integrated Health and Social Services Center (CISSS). Since 2019, at LSPQ, she has collaborated with and mobilized various network members to assess analytical processes, monitor various infectious threats, and support best laboratory diagnostic practices through expert committees, validation methods, and academic collaboration projects.

She has played a significant role in the validation, implementation, and development of tools for interpreting diagnostic analyses related to SARS-CoV-2 in response to the emergence and subsequent COVID-19 pandemic.