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Developing your Research Ideas into Research Projects

Register online at www.rhsrnc.ca!

May 25th , Castlegar BC

9:30-4:30, lunch provided.

Hosts: Dr. Barbara Pesut Ph.D., Katrina Plamondon & Tammy McLean

Description: This workshop is a research skill building workshop developed for healthcare professionals, academic faculty or students who, are interested in conducting health services research, but are interested in developing their skills, tools or confidence to carry out their research projects. This workshop takes an interactive approach to developing a research idea into a research project and will guide you through the critical steps of the research process including; building a research team, writing a research proposal and, conducting research in a rural environment.

Navigating Research Ethics & Aboriginal Health Research Ethics



June 15th, Nanaimo BC Register online at www.rhsrnc.ca!

9:30-4:30, lunch provided.

Hosts: Lynn Cummings & Dr. Chris Lalonde Ph.D.

Description: This two part workshop will spend the morning discussing research ethics for health services research including, why ethics are important, when and how to apply for ethics and where to apply for ethics. Special emphasis will be placed on the consent process and health authority ethics applications. The afternoon will be hosted by Aboriginal health research expert, Dr. Chris Lalonde of UVic and will focus on research ethics for Aboriginal health research including, approaching and engaging aboriginal communities, appropriate research methodologies and returning results to the community.

Upcoming Knowledge Translation Events

IDC Brown Bag Lunch

Social Policy on Social Vaccine, Jalil Safaei

12:15-1:15 April 26, 2012

4th Floor Education Room, University Hospital of Northern BC

WebEx: innovationdevelopment.webex.com Password: brownbag, Meeting# 804 389 850

Teleconference: 1-877-385-4099 Code: 835 3420 #

Upcoming Events and Conferences

Rural and Remote 2012, Society of Rural Physicians of Canada

April 26-28, 2012 in Whistler BC.

This working conference hosted by the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada offers nearly 200 workshops, lectures and plenaries in a peer-to-peer interactive learning environment. Based largely on small group sessions this conference will allow you to interact both with speakers and each other in beautiful Whistler BC. Registration is now open, <http://www.srpc.ca/rr2012/>

Accepting proposals for research posters! Poster proposals must include a clear research purpose and objectives, methodology, summary of the research results and conclusion. Limited space is available. Posters are restricted to a width of 3 feet and height of 4 feet. Students and residents will have the opportunity of being awarded the certificate for the best student/resident research for 2012. All abstracts selected for posters will be posted on the SRPC website. The winner will be considered for publication in the Canadian Journal of Rural Medicine.

Annual Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research Conference.

May 29-31, 2012 in Montreal Qc.

Abstract submission closes: Thursday, January 12, 2012

The CAHSPR annual conference brings together over 400 of Canada's leading researchers, decision-makers, managers, and trainees to exchange ideas and share findings from the most recent studies in health services and policy research. Featuring over 200 presentations in plenary, small group, and poster formats, CAHSPR's conference has something for everyone. Visit <https://cahspr.ca/en/event/cahspr/2012-annual-cahspr-conference>

Realities of Northern Oncology Conference

May 4-5, Prince George Civic Center

Physicians, nurses, allied health professionals, and trainees with a scope of practice or interest in cancer care. Topics and themes will focus on practical and community based practice. By the end of this conference, participants will be able to:

- Become familiar with surveillance and survivorship concerns and solutions for the North.
- Expand on their knowledge of radiation therapy treatment.
- Improve on patient care in the palliative setting.
- Review symptom management control for the paediatric oncology patient.
- Enhance management of oncological emergencies.
- Explore alternative and complimentary care options.

7th BC Rural Communities Summit—Grassroots, Growing Sustainable Rural Communities.

June 7-9 2012 in Grand Forks, BC.

The BC Rural Network and Community Futures Boundary will bring together rural stakeholders from across BC to learn firsthand about effective and practical approaches to empowering rural communities in the challenges and opportunities presented to them by a changing climate and a climate of change for rural BC. This event will engage participants through a variety of information sessions, interactive workshops, skills development, debates and dialogue and is expected to attract 150 delegates from a cross section of the rural communities in BC and beyond. Participants will be representatives of rural, remote and northern communities, private, public and non-profit organizational sectors, educational institutions, youth, and all orders of government (Federal, Provincial, Municipal and First Nations). Travel Bursaries will be available for members of the BC Rural Network. <http://www.bcruralnetwork.ca/bcruralsummit>

Rondez-Vous 2012

October 9-14th, Thunder Bay Ontario

This conference will bring together the Wonca World Rural Health Conference and The Network: Towards Unity for Health annual conference, as well as the next NOSM/Flinders Conference on Community Engaged Medical Education, the Consortium for Longitudinal Integrated Curricula, and the Training for Health Equity Network.

Inaugural Clinical Educators Conference

October 22-23, Prince George Civic Center

This multidisciplinary conference will showcase the use of new technology, research, tools and methods in educating frontline health care staff and students. Prepare to be inspired, innovated and informed. Inspirational speaker Barb Bancroft has been confirmed as the keynote speaker. She is the author of *Medical Minutiae*, a humorous look at the fields of medicine and nursing; *An Apple a Day: The ABCs of Diet and Disease*; and *Live a Little, Laugh a Lot*. She is also a contributing editor to the 1998 edition of *Beare and Myers Adult Health Nursing* (Mosby, St. Louis). Abstracts and workshop topics will be welcomed from participants from all healthcare disciplines who wish to share their knowledge, expertise or relevant research findings with conference attendees. For more information email clinicaleducatorsconference@northernhealth.ca

Funding Opportunities

RHSRNbc Travel Bursary Competition



Travel bursaries will be awarded to RHSRNbc members who have been invited to present their rural health services research orally or, in poster format at either a national or international conference. There are four bursaries to be won—three national bursaries of up to \$450 and one international bursary of \$750. These bursaries are intended to *subsidize* the costs of travel and accommodation and other expenses related to conference participation.

This competition has a *rolling deadline* and bursaries will be awarded on a first come first serve basis to deserving applications given they meet appropriate standards of quality. Application forms are available online at www.rhsrnb.ca.

R3 Research Clinician Scholar Program

Applications due April 16, 2012.

The Department of Family Practice is pleased to offer two-year, part-time, Clinician Scholar positions in family practice research starting July 1, 2012. These are R3 positions in the Postgraduate Program of the Faculty of Medicine. Applicants must be a member, or applicant for membership, in the College of Family Physicians of Canada. To download the CSP application form, CSP mentorship agreement, and evaluation criteria visit the Family Practice Research Office website at http://www.familymed.ubc.ca/departement/researchoffice/clinician_scholar_program.htm

If you have questions about the application process, contact Debra Hanberg at debra.hanberg@familymed.ubc.ca

Team Grant Community Based Primary Care Research Initiative

Letter of Intent due: May 1, 2012

Application due: October 10, 2012

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research has launched a Signature Initiative to fund research that supports the delivery of high-quality, Community-Based Primary Healthcare (CBPHC) across Canada. CBPHC covers the broad range of primary prevention (including public health) and primary care services within the community, including health promotion and disease prevention; the diagnosis, treatment, and management of chronic and episodic illness; rehabilitation support; and end of life care. [More information...](#)

Rural Health Publications

Examining variations in health within rural Canada

“Differences in health between urban and rural areas of Canada are well documented. Canadian rural communities are remarkably heterogeneous in terms of social, economic, and geographic characteristics. There is reason to believe that there is also considerable heterogeneity in health within rural Canada but existing literature has not given this adequate consideration.”

Lavergne M, Kephart G. Examining variations in health within rural Canada. *Rural and Remote Health* **12: 1848**. (Online) 2012. Available: <http://www.rrh.org.au>

Ethical professional practice: exploring the issues for health services to rural Aboriginal communities

“This article provides a first person account of the experience of professional ethics for a psychologist who has worked in several Aboriginal communities in Alberta, Canada.”

Malone JL. Ethical professional practice: exploring the issues for health services to rural Aboriginal communities. *Rural and Remote Health* **12: 1891**. (Online) 2012. Available: <http://www.rrh.org.au>

Generational differences in factors influencing physicians to choose a work location

“Canadian medical schools have increased enrolment and recruited more rural students in an effort to address general and rural physician shortages. This study explored the factors that influenced the work location choices of physicians of differing generations”

Mathews M, Seguin M, Chowdhury N, Card RT. Generational differences in factors influencing physicians to choose a work location. *Rural and Remote Health* **12: 1864**. (Online) 2012. Available: <http://www.rrh.org.au>