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## 2012 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.

#### Application

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](http://www.rhsrnb.ca).

### Sue Harris Family Practice Research Grant

**Deadline: January 27, 2012.**

The Sue Harris Family Practice Research Grant supports research that contributes to women's health within the discipline of family practice. The funding is intended to support new researchers (family practice residents and/or practitioners) to develop and carry out a pilot research project.

The principal investigator must be a:

- family physician licensed and residing in BC and who is in good standing with the CFPC/BCCFP
- family medicine resident registered at and in good standing with the University of British Columbia (UBC) Family Medicine Residency Program and also in good standing with the CFPC/BCCFP

<http://www.whri.org/research-support/documents/FullRFAGrantApplication-REV20Sep11.pdf>

# Funding Opportunities continued...

## Nelly Auersperg Award in Women's Health Research

**Application Deadline January 13th, 2012**

The Nelly Auersperg Award supports **pilot studies in women's health** which aim to generate preliminary data, test new approaches, methodologies or tools. The amount awarded for this one-year grant is \$10,000-\$15,000. The funding supports activities that will enable the pursuit of more ambitious studies and foster further funding applications.

At the time of application:

- Principal Applicants must be residents of BC
- Principal Applicant(s) must be an independent researcher/ clinician (includes midwives, nurses, social workers and physicians), and /or must have completed a post-graduate degree (Masters, PhD or MD)
- Principal Applicants cannot be enrolled as students in a degree or diploma program and cannot hold positions as post-doctoral fellows, residents, or clinical fellows.

[http://www.whri.org/research-support/documents/NellyAuerspergAwardinWomensHealthResearch\\_06SEPT11FinalRFA.pdf](http://www.whri.org/research-support/documents/NellyAuerspergAwardinWomensHealthResearch_06SEPT11FinalRFA.pdf)

## Vancouver Foundation Grants

**Letter of Intent Deadline: January 27th 2012**

**Application Deadline: March 16 2012**

Vancouver Foundation recognizes that communities are complex and that many factors go into creating a healthy and vibrant place for all to live. Therefore, they offer financial support for **community based researchers** and projects in a variety of areas including; Children Youth and Families, Environment, Health and Social Development, Youth Homelessness and Education. Visit <http://www.vancouverfoundation.ca/grants/index.htm>

## Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research - Commissioned Research Program

**Application Deadline: Jan 13, 2012**

The BC Ministry of Health has provided \$8 million to MSFHR for a **BC Nursing Research Initiative** (BCNRI). The initiative, with direction from the Nursing Research Advisory Council (NRAC), supports practice-relevant health services research related to the nursing workforce and associated policy initiatives. One such initiative is the basis for this Request for Proposals (RFP), which solicits proposals from individuals to develop a Health Services Researcher Pathway.

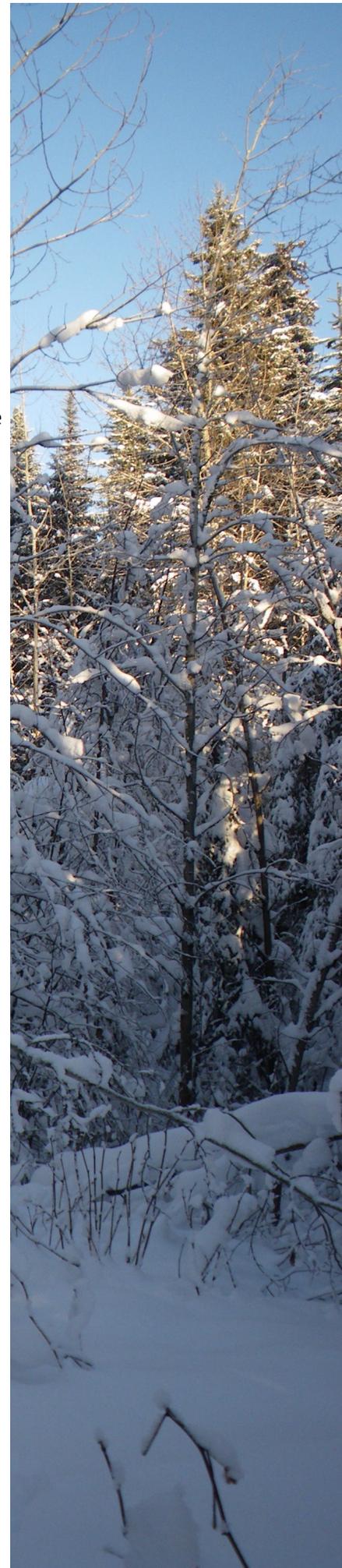
[http://www.msfhr.org/special\\_initiatives/nursing\\_research\\_initiative/commissioned](http://www.msfhr.org/special_initiatives/nursing_research_initiative/commissioned)

## Canadian Institute of Health Research Grants

**Planning Grants Winter 2012**

**Application Deadline: Feb 15, 2012**

The specific objective of this funding opportunity is to provide support for **planning activities**, partnership development and/or increasing the team's understanding of the health research landscape that will contribute to the advancement of research consistent with the mandate of CIHR. <http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=1435&view=search&org=CIHR&launchMonth=12&launchYear=2011&type=AND&resultCount=25>



## Funding Opportunities Continued...

Knowledge Synthesis Grant, Spring 2012

Application Deadline Feb 4, 2012

All types of **knowledge synthesis** are eligible. <http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=1425&view=search&org=CIHR&launchMonth=12&launchYear=2011&type=AND&resultCount=25>

**Catalyst Grant: Ethics**

Registration Deadline: Feb 1, 2012

Application Deadline March 1, 2012

This competition encourages applications from new investigators and investigators that are new to the field of **health ethics research** and has the objective of building capacity in ethics as it applied to health.

<http://www.researchnet-recherchenet.ca/rnr16/vwOpprtntyDtls.do?prog=1418&view=search&org=CIHR&launchMonth=12&launchYear=2011&type=AND&resultCount=25>

## Upcoming External Events...

**Population Health Data Analysis: From Infrastructure to Innovation.**

February 8-10th 2012 in Vancouver BC.

The conference will take place from February 8th to 10th at the Simon Fraser University, Harbor Centre, downtown Vancouver. The conference will be designed to meet the interests of researchers, faculty members, graduate students and representatives from government and health related organizations who work in the area of Population and Public Health.

February 8th will include plenary presentations that focus on data linkage infrastructure, researcher case studies in different forms of data analysis, and innovation in presentation and knowledge translation. February 9th and 10th will feature one- and two-day hands-on workshops that will align with key presentations from day one and enhance research skills. Registration is now open at [training@popdata.bc.ca](mailto:training@popdata.bc.ca).

**2012 Health Policy Conference: Will paying the piper change the tune? Promise and pitfalls of health care funding reform.**

February 28-29, 2012 in Vancouver BC.

This day-and-one-half program will be organized to help participants understand the roles funding policies play in creating incentives for high-performing health care systems. Drawing from international experiences, speakers will examine the complex roles funding policies play in creating efficient, effective and safe health care systems and discuss the role and emerging evidence, of innovations in funding policies in Canada and beyond. Visit <http://www.chspr.ubc.ca/hpc>

## Rural Health Publications:

Stewart N, D'Arcy C, Pitblado J, et al. Moving on? Predictors of Intent to Leave among Rural and Remote RNs in Canada. *Journal Of Rural Health* [serial online]. December 1, 2011;27(1):103-113

Tarlier D, Browne A. Remote nursing certified practice: viewing nursing and nurse practitioner practice through a social justice lens. *Canadian Journal Of Nursing Research* [serial online]. June 2011;43(2):38-61.

Hardy C, Kelly K, Voaklander D. Does rural residence limit access to mental health services?. *Rural And Remote Health* [serial online]. October 2011;11(4):1766.

Simpson C, McDonald F. 'Any body is better than nobody?' Ethical questions around recruiting and/or retaining health professionals in rural areas. *Rural And Remote Health* [serial online]. October 2011;11(4):1867.



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# Upcoming External Events continued...

## Rural and Remote Medicine Course: “On the Edge”

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, and **poster submissions are welcome**. <http://www.srpc.ca/rr2012/>

## Rural Research Workshop: Policy and Research in Community Investment

May 24—25th, 2012 in Ottawa Ontario

Call for papers!! Abstract submission closes: January 20th 2012

This national Rural Research Workshop (RRW) “Policy and Research in Community Investment” will focus on the complex relationships between policy and research as they relate to the practice of rural community investment. This workshop will critically explore the three-way interrelationships between policy, research and development practice.

[http://www.crrf.ca/?page\\_id=720](http://www.crrf.ca/?page_id=720)

## 2012 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>

\* Don’t forget that accepted abstracts for any of the above conferences are also eligible for a RHSRNBC travel bursary! Application information available at [www.rhsrNBC.ca](http://www.rhsrNBC.ca)

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