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# Register Now!

## Northern Health Research Days 2011 Showcasing Healthcare and Research Partnerships November 1-2 2011, Prince George, BC

Join Northern Health and RHSRNbc for a FREE 3 day event November 1-3 in Prince George BC, where we will focus on building research capacity and research partnerships in Northern BC.

Healthcare Professionals, Researchers and Community Partners will gather on November 1-3 2011 in Prince George to share knowledge on research partnerships and celebrate health research in Northern BC. Attendees can save the date now for this interactive conference, which consists of networking, knowledge exchange, and a showcase of rural and northern health research.

### Call for Abstracts

Abstracts are invited for the 2011 Research Days Conference in Prince George. **Deadline for submission of abstracts is Sunday October 2, 2011.**

Conference registration and other information can be found at: <http://www.northernhealth.ca/YourHealth/ResearchandEvaluation/ResearchDays.aspx>

## RHSRNbc Research Skill Enhancing Workshop - Community Based Research in Rural BC & Academic Grant Writing for Success.

November 3, 2011 Prince George, BC

Join RHSRNbc on November 3rd, at UNBC in person or, via WebEx for this exciting, full day research skill building workshop on Community Based Research and Academic Grant Writing. Whether new to research or, an established researcher, participants will leave this workshop with new (or refreshed) confidence and research skills, ready to realize their research goals.

### 9:30-12:30 - An Introduction to Conducting Community Based Research in Rural BC.

Hosted by **Donald Manson**, adjunct Professor in the Geography Program at the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC), Coordinator of UNBC's Community Development Institute and Project Manager of the Rural and Remote Health Research Institute.

**1:30- 4:30 - Academic Grant Writing for Success; Context, Content & Strategy.** Hosted by **Dr. Jude Kornelsen**, Assistant Professor at the UBC Department of Family Practice, Co-director of the Center for Rural Health Research.

**To register for this workshop, please email [irvingk@rhsrnb.ca](mailto:irvingk@rhsrnb.ca). Please note there is a maximum of 20 seats and 10 WebEx participants available - RSVP early!**





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## RHSRNBC Research Skill Enhancing Workshop - Academic Grant Writing for Success & Administrative Data in Rural Health Research.

November 25th, 2011 Vancouver BC

RHSRNBC has teamed up with the UBC Department of Family Practice, Clinician Scholar Program to bring you a second Skill Enhancing Workshop November 25th in Vancouver BC. This two part, full day workshop promises to be an exciting and enriching experience for researchers of all skill levels and disciplines. RSVP early for a seat or, a WebEx connection - space is limited!

\* If you are unable to attend our first workshop in Prince George, note that Dr. Jude Kornelsen will be presenting on Academic Grant Writing again in this second workshop!

**9:30 - 12:30 - Academic Grant Writing for Success; Context, Content & Strategy.** Hosted by **Dr. Jude Kornelsen**, Assistant Professor at the UBC Department of Family Practice, Co-director of the Center for Rural Health Research.

**1:30 - 4:30 - Administrative Data and Rural Health Services Research.** Hosted by Dr. Kim McGrail, assistant professor in the UBC School of Population and Public Health, and Associate Director of the UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research.

**To register for this workshop, please email [irvingk@rhsrnb.ca](mailto:irvingk@rhsrnb.ca). Please note there is a maximum of 15 seats and 10 WebEx participants available - RSVP early!**

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## Other Upcoming Events

- ***Keeping it Rural: Health, Multiculturalism and the Rural Urban Interface, October 20-22, in Richmond BC.*** The Canadian Rural Health Research Society hosts its 10th Annual Conference on rural health research. Participants will have the opportunity to share findings of recent and current research projects, discuss intervention and policy strategies for bettering rural health status and network and connect with other rural health researchers. For more information please visit <http://crhrs-scrsr.usask.ca/bc2011/>
- ***Sudden Unexpected Death in Young—Oct 23, 2011, Vancouver BC.*** For those of you who enjoyed reading about RHSRNBC member Laura Delwar's work in Sudden Unexpected Death in Young, consider attending this half day symposium hosted by the Western Canadian Children's Heart Network in partnership with the Canadian Pediatric Cardiology Association and the University of British Columbia Continuing Professional Development. More information available at: [http://www.ubccpd.ca/Events/CPD\\_Conferences/Sudden\\_Death\\_in\\_the\\_Young.htm](http://www.ubccpd.ca/Events/CPD_Conferences/Sudden_Death_in_the_Young.htm)
- ***North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) Annual Meeting—Nov 12– 15, 2011 Banff Alberta.*** Learn about the most recent discoveries and advances in Primary Care, partake in workshops and socializing with your colleagues in beautiful Banff Alberta. <http://www.napcrg.org/index.cfm>

## Call for Research Skill Enhancing Workshop Topics for Spring 2012

This fall we are holding Skill Enhancing Workshop on the topics of community based research, academic grant writing and, administrative data. However, RHSRNBC also intends to hold a Spring Research Skill Enhancing Workshop and, we want to know what workshops you feel would be most beneficial to your research. We are interested in your suggestions for topics and content as well as who you would like to see hosting our next workshop.

RHSRNBC's goal is to build rural health services research capacity and our success is linked to our member's successes so, please tell us what you need!

### Do you want to be profiled in an upcoming Newsletter?

Contact our network coordinator for information or, email us a copy of your CV and or , professional profile as well as a photo of yourself. We will respond by sending you a draft profile for your approval before publishing in our next newsletter!

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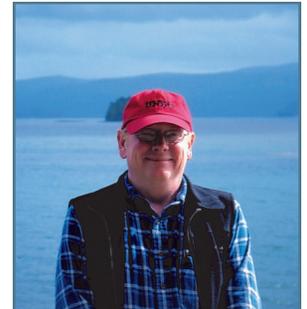


## Spotlight on: Don Manson & Dr. Jude Kornelsen

*Established rural researchers and hosts of our Prince George Skill  
Enhancing Workshop!*

Donald Manson is an Adjunct Professor in Geography, a Researcher in the Rural and Small Town studies program and Coordinator of the Community Development Institute at the University of Northern British Columbia. Don's research interests include Northern and rural community sustainability, citizen participation and ownership as well as the components of healthy communities. Don has worked extensively with communities across rural and Northern BC researching services for youth and seniors, economic and community development and community capacity issues - often while camping out in his vehicle! Needless to say, Don is an expert in conducting community based research, community outreach and knowledge mobilization in rural British Columbia and RHSRNBC is thrilled to have him host our Community Based Research Workshop at UNBC on November 3!

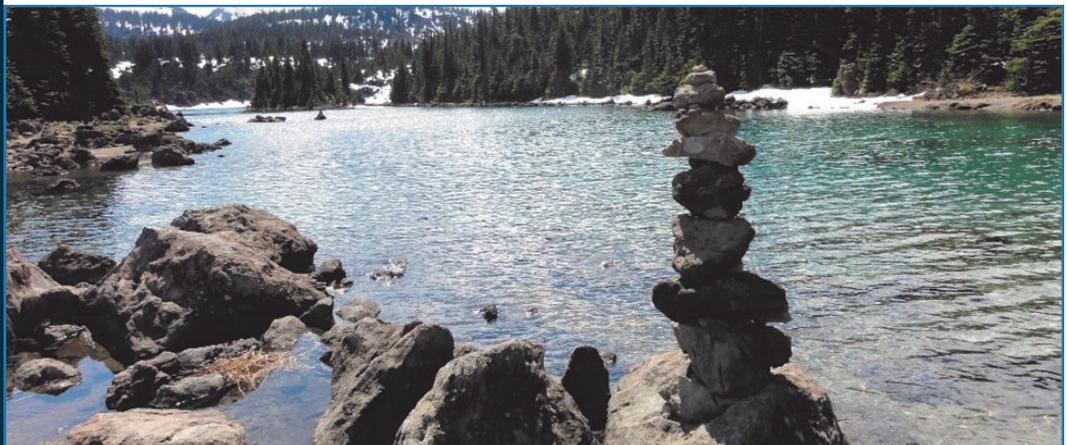
For more information on the Community Development Institute please visit:  
<http://www.unbc.ca/cdi/index.html>



Dr. Kornelsen is a health services researcher and Assistant Professor in the Department of Family Practice at UBC, a CIHR New Investigator and a Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Scholar. As Co-director of the Centre for Rural Health Research, Dr. Kornelsen's primary research focus is rural health, particularly , the investigation of appropriate levels of services for rural maternity care. Additional research interests include rare and undiagnosed diseases such as, the clinical presentation of *Cryptococcus gattii* in rural environments and the attendant health services resources necessary to treat its outbreak, as well as the emergence of elective cesarean section as a social phenomenon.

Dr. Kornelsen has traveled across the province for her research on rural maternity and health care systems and she fosters excellent relationships with each of the communities who have hosted and participated in her research work. When not working on current research projects, Dr. Kornelsen spends her time on her farm on Salt Spring Island with her four children.

Check out Dr. Kornelsen's latest work by visiting [www.crrh.ca](http://www.crrh.ca).



# Research Resources

## UBC Center for Health Service and Policy Research

[www.chspr.ubc.ca](http://www.chspr.ubc.ca)

The Center for Health Service Research and Policy is dedicated to supporting research and building knowledge that will better the health services of Canada. Visit their website for great resources on use of administrative data (such as Census data), how to access data, and knowledge translation.

## CHNET– Works: Fireside Chats

[www.chnet-works.ca/index.php?option=com\\_rsevents&view=events&Itemid=6&lang=en](http://www.chnet-works.ca/index.php?option=com_rsevents&view=events&Itemid=6&lang=en)

CHNET is a branch of the Population Health Improvement Research Network of the University of Ottawa whose goal is to connect and promote communication between population health researchers across Canada. Every two weeks, CHNET hosts a “Fireside Chat” or, Webinars in which some of the best and brightest Canadian Researchers are featured speaking about population health and research. **This October 6th, tune in at 10:00 AM to listen to RHSRNBC’s very own Josee Lavoie of UNBC speak about Aboriginal Health Policy.**

## Northern Health’s Community Health Information Portal (website)

<http://chip.northernhealth.ca/CommunityHealthInformationPortal.aspx>

Northern Health has launched the Community Health Information Portal as a method of synthesizing quality sources of information on Northern BC, and the health of Northern BC residents. Information on Northern BC Communities, Aboriginal populations definitions of rural, events and reports are just a few of the valuable sources of information that can all be found on this website.

## The Health Communicator’s Social Media Toolkit

[www.cdc.gov/healthcommunication/ToolsTemplates/SocialMediaToolkit\\_BM.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/healthcommunication/ToolsTemplates/SocialMediaToolkit_BM.pdf)

Social media has changed the way people today socialize and communicate—especially the youth of today. The CDC’s Social Media Toolkit provides background information, instructions and tips on how the average health administrator or communicator can successfully utilize social media sites to access their target population.

## Rural Health Publications

**1) Rural maternity practice: how can we encourage family physicians to stay involved?** Kornelsen, J., & Grzybowski, S. (2010). *Canadian Journal Of Rural Medicine: The Official Journal Of The Society Of Rural Physicians Of Canada* 15 (1), 33-35

**2) Stress and anxiety associated with lack of access to maternity services for rural parturient women.** Kornelsen, J., Stoll, K., & Grzybowski, S. (2011). *Australian Journal of Rural Health*, 19(1), 9-14.

**3) Capacity, scale and place: pragmatic lessons for doing community-based research in the rural setting.** Markey, S., Halseth, G., & Manson, D. (2010). *Canadian Geographer*, 54(2), 158-176.

**4) Home Health Services in British Columbia: A Portrait of Users and Trends Over Time.** McGrail KM, Broemeling AM, McGregor MJ, Salomons K, Ronald LA, McKendry R. Vancouver (BC): UBC Centre for Health Services and Policy Research; October 2008.

