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**Dear Members,**

Greetings to you and your families! Good news is front and centre in this, the first issue of Kaleidoscope for 2011!

**The Institute for Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR)** of the **Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)** has announced new funding opportunities aimed at primary care research, as part of a strategic initiative focused on Community-Based Primary Healthcare, and is encouraging researchers in family medicine to participate in the submission process.

Section of Researchers' Chair **Dr. Bill Hogg** highlighted the initiative at the '*Picking up the Pace*' Conference in November, and **Leah Jurkovic**, Associate Director of IHSPR, discussed the opportunities at the November 2010 NAPCRG conference in Seattle.

In so doing, Ms Jurkovic said the IHSPR wants to encourage research excellence, help build research capacity, and develop knowledge translation and dissemination opportunities, while ultimately contributing to ongoing development and strengthening of community-based health care.

She stressed that research will be essential in providing evidence to both decision-makers and practitioners as they work to build a primary, and community-based health system that is effective, accessible, equitable and cost-effective.

"This a clear demonstration of the belief of the Institute for Health Services and Policy Research in the valuable role that the primary health care system plays in Canada," notes Dr. Bill Hogg, Chair of the Section of Researchers at CFPC. "We have the capacity, the knowledge, and the tools to develop the evidence needed to set viable directions and strengthen primary healthcare and care in the community. The time is right for us to demonstrate our capabilities and help shape the future of primary care in Canada."

The three thematic areas for the competition are:

- the management and prevention of chronic disease in the primary healthcare system,
- vulnerable populations and access to community-based primary healthcare
- patient-centred care and patient pathways through the healthcare system - the role of primary healthcare in transitions along the continuum of care, from cradle to grave.

The teams are expected to be led by mid-career or senior

researchers and must be interjurisdictional or Pan Canadian in scope. The initiative, which will be launched in the early spring, will begin with Meetings, Planning and Dissemination Grants intended to allow team development and planning. Subsequent funding opportunities will call for full submissions by teams through Team Grant applications.

The Section of Researchers' Executive encourages all primary care researchers to consider how they can get involved in this key initiative. If you think we might be able to help you connect with colleagues in other jurisdictions, please contact Bill Hogg at [whogg@uottawa.ca](mailto:whogg@uottawa.ca).

Watch the IHSPR website for additional information.

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## Research News

### **Official Launch of the Canadian Primary Care Sentinel Surveillance Network at Family Medicine Forum 2010**

The Canadian Primary Care Sentinel Surveillance Network (CPCSSN) was officially launched at Family Medicine Forum 2010 in Vancouver. Read about it [here](#).

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### **Member Research Highlight**

#### **\* Dr. Rick Glazier recipient of the Inaugural Research Mentorship Award at University of Toronto Department of Family and Community Medicine**

Dr. Richard Glazier, an accomplished family medicine researcher and former Chair of the Section of Researchers, received the Inaugural Research Mentorship Award from the Department of Family and Community Medicine earlier this year. He began his career as a family physician in the 1980's in the small Ontario communities of Whitby and Oshawa just east of Toronto. Today, he shares his time and his knowledge with mentees interested in primary care research. Read about Dr. Glazier's research career [here](#).

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## **CANADIAN HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

**Executive Training for Research Application (EXTRA)**  
**Individual and organizational applications must be submitted on or before March 1, 2011** using the appropriate Foundation electronic application form for each stream.

The [Executive Training for Research Application](#) (EXTRA) program develops capacity and leadership to optimize the use of research evidence in managing Canadian healthcare organizations. EXTRA gives health system managers across Canada the skills to better use research in their daily work, as a way to increase evidence-informed decision-making in the health system. The EXTRA program targets health service professionals in senior management positions - nurse

executives, physician executives, and other health administration executives.

**Health Services Research Advancement Award (HSRAA)  
- 2011 Call for Nominations**

An original and two full copies of the completed, signed nomination must be received at CHSRF by **March 10, 2011 at 12 p.m. (noon) Eastern Standard Time.**

The [Health Services Research Advancement Award](#) (HSRAA) recognizes any individual, team or organization that has contributed significantly to the advancement of health services research in Canada.

The [nomination form](#) must be requested online.

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**Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) - The Justice Emmett Hall Memorial Foundation Student Essay Competition**

**Deadline: Friday, March 25, 2011**

The Justice Emmett Hall Memorial Foundation invites students to submit essays to the **Student Essay Competition.**

In 2008, the Justice Emmett Hall Memorial Foundation launched its annual student essay competition. The intent is to foster Canadian health economics and health policy research among undergraduate and graduate students. Essays must address at least one of the five criteria for a national health service advocated by Justice Emmett Hall in the 1964 Royal Commission on Health Services Report that later formed the principles for the Canada Health Act: Public administration; Comprehensiveness; Universality; Portability; Accessibility. Essays may be submitted in English or in French and may be based on course or thesis work. For more information, please [click here](#) or contact [Susan Law](#).

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**The Canadian Rural Research Network (CRRN) 1st Annual Rural Research Workshop - From Policy To Research and Back Again**

Workshop Host: Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation (CRRF)

**May 5, 2011 Ottawa, ON**

**Pre-conference May 4, 2011: Workshop participants are invited to afternoon discussions on rural research and policy needs as part of the federal Rural Development Network's AGM.**

The [Canadian Rural Research Network](#) (CRRN) is a new means to support information sharing and networking among stakeholders with an interest in rural research.

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**Submissions invited for CFP feature: Hypothesis Page**

Hypothesis is a quarterly series, coordinated by the Section of Researchers of the College of Family Physicians of Canada, and published in *Canadian Family Physician*. The goal is to explore clinically relevant research concepts for all CFP readers. Submissions are invited from researchers and non-

researchers. All manuscripts should be submitted through the *Canadian Family Physician* [manuscript submission](#) site. Choose Hypothesis as the article type to submit your article, or submit it as a research manuscript, indicating in the cover letter that the article is for Hypothesis.

The Associate Editor for the Hypothesis Page is Dr. Michelle Howard ([mhoward@mcmaster.ca](mailto:mhoward@mcmaster.ca)).

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**\* Hypothesis August 2010  
Conducting waiting room surveys in practice-based  
primary care research**

The availability of practice-level data is critical in primary care for a number of reasons, including research, reporting on performance and accountability, and continuous quality improvement and monitoring. The most recent *Hypothesis* article examines the unique benefits of surveys conducted in waiting rooms. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

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**Using Narrative in Research**

Stories and narrative are powerful adjuncts not only to the delivery of quality care in family medicine, but also to the discipline of family medicine research. Narrative can help researchers form hypotheses, inform study design and formulate questions; explore underlying or hidden issues at various stages in research; complement and support the dissemination of research findings and translate evidence into policy and practice.

Have you used narrative in your research projects? Have you witnessed the power of narrative in family medicine research? Do you have a story to share about a research project that offers wisdom, a lesson, or encouragement to others?

Please send your stories to the [History and Narrative Database](#), and let your story contribute to the history of family medicine research.

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**The Institute of Gender Health Launches Cochrane  
Corner on Gender, Sex, and Health**

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Gender and Health (IGH) and the Campbell and Cochrane Equity Methods Group are pleased to announce the launch of the IGH Cochrane Corner. The IGH Cochrane Corner highlights reviews pertinent to gender, sex, and health questions. It aims to introduce those working in gender, sex, and health to the methods of the Cochrane Collaboration and, reciprocally, to bring awareness of sex- and gender-based analyses to the Cochrane community. Visit the IGH Cochrane Corner [here](#). Please feel free to link to the Corner from your websites or other resources.

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**\* The Social Aetiology of Mental Illness (SAMI) Training  
Program announces its call for applications for the 2011  
- 2012 Fellowship**

**Deadline: March 1, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. EST.**

[SAMI](#) is based at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and the University of Toronto, and includes international partners from across the globe. It is the first centre of excellence for the study of the social determinants of mental health and addictions problems and issues. Fellowships are for one year, fully funded, research-based, and will help top-class research students further develop their skills in investigating the social aetiology of mental illness.

## Website Info-To-Go

\* / \*\* [Webliography of resources for evidence-based health care - The Cochrane Collaboration](#)

This webliography presents an overview of the most important print and online resources for evidence-based health care and medicine. The recommendations for books, articles and online resources are browseable by speciality, such as epidemiology, statistics, literature appraisal, reporting guidelines, and more. The other resources, such as databases and journals, are listed alphabetically.

## Conference Opportunities

### **FAMILY MEDICINE FORUM 2011**

3 - 5 November, 2011 Montreal  
QC

### **FMF CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

#### **Workshops and Sessions:**

Abstracts are due on Monday,  
February 28, 2011.

[Click here](#) for Submission Instructions for Workshops/Sessions.

#### **FMF Posters:**

Abstracts are due on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

[Click here](#) for Submission Instructions for FMF Posters.

**Satellite Symposia:** The Call for Abstracts for Satellite Symposia will be open until all openings have been filled.  
[Click here](#) for Submission Instructions for Satellite Symposia.

### **RESEARCH DAY**

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 (Pre-conference day)

### **RESEARCH DAY CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

#### **Research Day - Freestanding Papers:**

Abstracts are due on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

[Click here](#) for Submission Instructions for Freestanding Papers.

#### **Research Day - Posters:**

Abstracts are due on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

[Click here](#) for Submission Instructions for Posters.



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**\* North American Primary Care Research Group  
(NAPCRG) - Annual Meeting**

12 - 16 November, 2011 Banff, AB

[Call for proposals](#)

Submission deadline: April 18, 2011

Join your peers for the best in primary care research! [Click here](#) for conference information.

Fellows, Residents and Students can join NAPCRG for free! Click on the link to get your [Researcher-in-Training e-Membership](#).

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**[Click here](#) to see more Conference Opportunities in 2011.**

## Funding Opportunities

**[Click here](#) to view upcoming Funding Opportunities for Researchers.**

\* available in English only.

\*\* this is a contribution from the [Bulletin E-Veille sur l'innovation dans les services de santé](#).