

Section of Researchers Kaléidoscope E-News Vol 4 Iss 6(June) 2007

Dear Section of Researchers' member,

It's never too early to start thinking about the Section of Researchers RESEARCH DAY taking place the day before FMF 2007 starts, Wednesday October 10th in beautiful Winnipeg, Manitoba. An exceptional agenda awaits you including: two streams of concurrent freestanding research papers for the morning plus scientific posters. There will also be plenary presentations by the recipient of the "Family Medicine Researcher of the Year (FMROY)" award as well as the "Outstanding FM research article" winner(s), and the "Research Awards for Family Medicine Residents" winners. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held over lunch and two concurrent workshops will be offered between 2:30-4:00 to cap off the day . Keep close watch on the CFPC website for details in the [FMF preliminary program due to be in the mail on July 10th 2007](#). Registration cost for this exceptional day of Canadian family medicine research results sharing is \$100 – you can register at the [FMF website](#) starting July 15th, 2007!! RESEARCH DAY has been approved for 3.5 Mainpro M1 eligible credits for all attendees. See YOU in Winnipeg!

Research News

Knowledge Translation Program Director Transitioning to New Role - Dave Davis has been named the vice-president for Continuing Health Care Education and Improvement at the Association of American Medical Colleges in Washington DC. In his new role, Dave hopes to encourage and support the transition of US medical school CME divisions to effective, robust, outcomes-focused programs and units, of which the Knowledge Translation Program of the University of Toronto, the Guidelines Advisory Committee for Ontario, and other programs of the Faculty of Medicine are clear examples.

With help primarily from colleagues in the Faculty's Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation and its Office of Continuing Education, and with the leadership of then-dean David Naylor, Dave created the initial KTP proposal in 2000 and has led it since its inception. KTP researchers have participated in research projects totaling over 20 million dollars. Now co-located and closely allied with the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute of St Michael's Hospital, the KTP continues to facilitate rounds, graduate programs and other training activities in knowledge translation. See www.ktp.utoronto.ca for details.

Dave will transition to full time in Washington DC beginning this spring. During this period, he will continue to be active in KTP as it completes its merger with the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute. He may be reached at the AAMC at 202-862-6275 or by email at ddavis@aamc.org.

Integrating Public Health Policy, Practice, Evaluation, Surveillance, and Research: The School Health Action Planning and Evaluation System - The Canadian Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute of Canada have charged their Centre for Behavioral Research and Program Evaluation with contributing to the development of the country's systemic capacity to link research, policy, and practice related to population-level interventions. Local data collection and feedback systems are integral to this capacity. Canada's School Health Action Planning and Evaluation System (SHAPES) allows data to be collected from all of a school's students, and

these data are used to produce computer-generated school "health profiles." SHAPES is being used for intervention planning, evaluation, surveillance, and research across Canada.

this contribution is from the Knowledge Utilization-Utilization des Connaissances (KU-UC) E-Watch on Health Innovation (a newsletter of the CHSRF-CIHR Chair on dissemination and uptake of research in health services)

Evidence Boost is a series that looks at healthcare issues where research indicates a preferred course of action in health services management and policy. In many cases the current research base is insufficient to suggest a course of action. In others, however, the implications of research are unambiguous—these areas are the focus of Evidence Boost. **Mythbusters** is a series of research summaries revealing the research evidence contrary to accepted wisdom in Canadian healthcare debates. **The Canadian Health Services Research Foundation** is pleased to provide you with the link to view the latest issues of [Evidence Boost & Mythbusters](#).

[New Feature! Research publications by Canadian FM Researchers in 2007](#)

Agha MM, Glazier RH, Guttman A. [Relationship between social inequalities and ambulatory care-sensitive hospitalizations persists for up to 9 years among children born in a major Canadian urban center](#). *Ambulatory Pediatrics* 2007; 7:258-262.

Butt DA, Deng LYR, Lewis J, Lock M. [Minimal decrease in hot flashes desired by postmenopausal women in family practice](#). *Menopause* 2007; 14:203-207

Finkelstein MM, Jerrett M. [A study of the relationships between Parkinson's Disease and markers of traffic-derived and environmental manganese air pollution in two Canadian cities](#). *Environmental Research* 2007; 104(3):420-432.

Greiver M. [Does screening for peripheral arterial disease improve risk stratification for patients at intermediate risk for coronary artery disease?](#) *Open Medicine* 2007; 1(1):55-57.

Malik R, Bordman R, Regehr G, Freeman R. [Continuous quality improvement and community-based faculty development through an innovative site visit program at one institution](#). *Academic Medicine* 2007; 82(5):465-468.

Petrella RJ, Merikle EP, Jones J. [Prevalence, treatment, and control of hypertension in primary care: gaps, trends, and opportunities](#). *J Clin Hypertens (Greenwich)*. 2007 Jan;9(1):28-35.

Smith KLW, Matheson FI, Moineddin R, Glazier RH. [Gender, income and immigration differences in depression in Canadian urban centres](#). *Can J Public Health* 2007; 98(2):149-53.

Tu K, Campbell I NRC, Chen Z, Cauch-Dudek KJ, McAlister, FA. [Accuracy of administrative databases in identifying patients with hypertension](#). *Open Medicine* 2007; 1(1):18-26.

* if you know of other 2007 publications by Canadian FM researchers please e-mail all@cfpc.ca.

Website Research Info to-go!

Introducing the new CIHR Funding Opportunities Database: Over the last two years, CIHR has

made a number of developments to standardize and improve the functionality around presenting CIHR's funding opportunities to the research community. In response to requests to offer more searching and browsing capabilities, the **CIHR Funding Opportunities Database** was developed.

This database will: give researchers and research administrators a search engine to find opportunities of interest and provide more browsing options. In addition to seeing opportunities by CIHR Institute/Portfolio, you will be able to search opportunities by the type of funding opportunity (e.g., Doctoral Research Award, Fellowship, Operating Grant), type of applicant (e.g., Clinicians, Doctoral Students, Researchers), application deadline date, and launch date; allow researchers and research administrators to view a master list of all current funding opportunities; allow researchers and research administrators to browse current and archived funding opportunities by type of funding opportunity, by CIHR Institute, and by type of applicant; provide better integration with ResearchNet features such as e-Submission and e-Review.

Conference Opportunities

Connecting Communities: Rural and Urban Annual Rural Policy Conference of the Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation Vermilion, Alberta, Canada Oct 11-13, 2007 This conference will have a bilingual exchange of knowledge and experience in English and in French. A simultaneous interpretation service will be available for the plenary sessions and for one session in each of the concurrent sessions. The registration form and program information will soon be available at <http://www.lakelandc.ab.ca/crrf> - Collaborating Partners: Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation <http://www.crrf.ca>, Canadian Rural Health Research Society <http://crhrs-scrsr.usask.ca>, National Rural Research Network. Hosting Partners: Town of Vermilion <http://www.vermilion.ca>, Lakeland College <http://www.lakelandc.ab.ca>. The closest airport is the Edmonton International Airport located south of Edmonton.

4th Guidelines International Network (GIN) Conference - Collaboration in Clinical Practice Guidelines Local, national, and international cooperation in synthesizing and applying best evidence. August 22-25th 2007 University of Toronto Conference Centre. Toronto, Ontario. IMPORTANT DATES: Online Registration Now Open! Hotel Reservation Deadline: June 22, 2007

Halifax 7: The Canadian Healthcare Safety Symposium is October 10 to 13, 2007
The Westin Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario. The Halifax 7 Symposium continues the tradition as Canada's unique meeting of individuals and organizations with a desire to improve healthcare safety and enhance the overall quality of our healthcare system. The Symposium helps provide a better understanding the phenomena of health system hazards, the behaviours of patients and healthcare providers, environmental and organizational factors, and the role of regulators.

Why the name Halifax? The Halifax Symposia have a reputation as the conference on healthcare safety in Canada, one that attracts senior leaders from governments and healthcare organizations across Canada, and even some from other countries. The 2007 meeting is known as "Halifax 7", because the meeting was started in Halifax, Nova Scotia in 2000. Read more about this at <http://www.buksa.com/halifax/> This conference is sponsored by the **Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI)** / Institut canadien pour la sécurité des patients (ICSP). The Organizing Committee invites you to submit abstracts as either a regular Scientific Poster or as a

"Safety Solution" Poster. Please read this **Call for Poster Abstracts** at the following website <http://www.buksa.com/halifax/> carefully before submitting the official form. Submission Deadline: July 13, 2007-Notification Date: August 3, 2007

Patient Safety Culture: The Truth and Nothing Butt – Patient Safety Culture Symposium, July 4-5, 2007 – York University, Toronto, Canada. Sponsored by School of Nursing & School of Health Policy and Management, Faculty of Health, Hosted at York University. From the board room to the bedside, patient safety is everyone's business ... An interactive symposium engaging the arts to help interpret and share current practices and improving patient safety culture. Research funded by the Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI). Themes:

- learning about measurement of patient safety culture
- discussing leadership's role in creating a strong and positive culture of patient safety
- sharing current best practices and developing new strategies to improve patient safety culture

Featured Guest: Robert Buckman (medical oncologist, Toronto-Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre). Come and meet with a world-class expert on inter-personal communication Robert Buckman. His techniques are taught at hospitals and medical schools around the world. Communicating difficult messages has always been one of Dr. Buckman's critical skills. Contact Deborah Tregunno, RN PhD, Assistant Professor, School of Nursing Faculty of Health York University tregunno@yorku.ca or Peter Norton MD, CCFP, FCFP Professor and Head, Department of Family Medicine University of Calgary norton@ucalgary.ca

Family Medicine Forum (FMF) – October 11-13, 2007



The Section of Researchers **RESEARCH DAY** is October 10th 2007!!

Don't forget to join us for the 4th annual Section of Researchers banquet at the **SALISBURY HOUSE** which sits on the Provencher Bridge overlooking the Red River.

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New for 2007- NAPCRG New Zealand Special Regional Meeting - NAPCRG is pleased to announce the first New Zealand Regional Meeting, which will be held at the School of Population Health, Tamaki Campus, at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, on October 17, 2007. We cordially invite you to take part in this special meeting prior to the main **NAPCRG Annual Meeting in Vancouver, October 20-23, 2007**.

2007 Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) The Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) to be held in Qubec City, October 20-24, 2007, is the largest gathering of cardiovascular and allied health professionals in Canada. The Congress draws cardiologists, cardiovascular surgeons, researchers and other cardiovascular specialists from across Canada and around the globe and connects them with other members of the cardiovascular healthcare team. The CCC 2007 provides a broad spectrum of cardiovascular health professionals with current scientific information, accredited education opportunities and an ideal forum to connect with other cardiovascular health and care colleagues.

Research Funding Opportunities

The Canadian Language and Literacy Research Network invites letters of intent outlining possible new research projects addressing issues relevant to the development of good language and literacy skills, including numeracy skills. Projects which address the following groups of vulnerable children are of particular interest:

1. Minority-language children,
2. Aboriginal children,
3. Children in immigrant families, and 4. Children who require better instruction or special intervention to acquire good literacy skills.

Research Projects must be relevant to the Network's mandate and must meet the criteria established by the Networks of Centres of Excellence Program. Priority will be given to projects undertaken in the context of a multidisciplinary research team with appropriate partners.

Letters of Intent received by July 9, 2007 will be reviewed to assess their suitability and relevance to the Network's objectives. Highly rated applicants will be invited to submit a detailed Research Project Proposal. Full details for the letters of intent are included in the attached document. Please contact Katy Pocock (katy@cclrnet.ca) with any questions.

The Lawson Foundation Diabetes Funding Opportunity See <http://www.lawson.ca> for details. We invite letters of intent to support innovative projects that address:

1. the prevention of diabetes in at-risk populations; and/or
2. the delivery of health care to those who are living with diabetes.

Sustainable community-centred projects promoting partnerships are encouraged. Eligibility:

Lay/community leaders and health care professionals involved with the education, management and care of those with diabetes or at risk of diabetes. Requirement: CRA registered charitable number

- Maximum grant: \$150,000 payable over 24 months
- Application: [Lawson website](#) for more information or to access our online application form
- Submission deadline: August 15, 2007
- Letters of intent should be submitted in English in light of our limited staff resources.

CIHR Funding Opportunity - Partnerships for Health System Improvement (PHSI) - Letters of Intent Deadlines: October 1, 2007 Deadlines for Invited Full Applicants: March 17, 2008 - CIHR and its partners are pleased to announce that the 4th annual PHSI competition will be launched mid-July. The PHSI initiative supports teams of researchers and decision makers interested in conducting applied health research useful to health system managers and/or policy makers. Successful teams conduct projects of up to three years duration in high priority thematic areas within health services, health systems and policy research (including public health).

CIHR and a variety of partners, including provincial health research organizations, provincial governments and the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, support the PHSI initiative. For more information on this funding opportunity, please visit CIHR website in mid-July or contact Marilyn Desrosiers at PHSI-PASS@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

Previous editions of Kaleidoscope including funding opportunities can be found at:
<http://www.cfpc.ca/English/cfpc/research/kaleidoscope/default.asp?s=1>

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