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**Dear Members:**

This issue of Kaleidoscope brings numerous funding, membership and conference opportunities for the coming year.

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) is requesting nominations for a chair and members for the Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care (CTFPHC), currently being revitalized.

In the past, CTFPHC garnered considerable recognition due largely to the commitment and vision of its members. The success of the renewed Task Force will depend on this same dedication, and we encourage our members to nominate their qualified peers for this important organization.

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) are also recruiting members for their 13 Institute Advisory Boards (IABs). This is a superb opportunity for Section of Researchers members to get involved at CIHR and help increase the impact of family medicine in the review process.

In addition, the call for Free-standing Papers and Presentations for Research Day 2009 is now open. Please consider submitting your abstract for this important and increasingly well-attended event.

We also encourage you to check out the many **conference** and **funding opportunities** and to take advantage of offerings of interest!

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The Section of Researchers' Executive  
The College of Family Physicians of Canada

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## Research News

**The College of Family Physicians Associate Memberships now available:** The College has recently opened the new membership category of **Associate Member**. Associate Memberships are open to members of the public who are serving or have served as Director of the National Board of the College OR to allied health professionals or other non-physicians who work in collaboration with family physicians or academic departments of family medicine. Associate Members are also eligible for membership in the Section

of Researchers. Click on the link above for an application.

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**Call for Nominations - Renewed Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care (CTFPHC)**

*Nominations must be received by March 2, 2009.*

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) will be establishing a renewed Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care (CTFPHC) as part of our mandate and priority for disease prevention and health promotion. The renewed Task Force aims to build on the previous Task Force's success and international recognition with its 25-year history of pioneering the development of evidence-based guidelines for primary care.

PHAC is now soliciting nominations for qualified individuals to serve as members or Chair of a revitalized CTFPHC. Click on the following links for more information:

**[Member Nomination Criteria](#); [Chair Nomination Criteria](#); [Nomination Form](#).**

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**CIHR Recruitment of New IAB Members**

*Deadline: March 31, 2009*

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is renewing **membership** for its thirteen Institute Advisory Boards (IABs) and invites you to assist by encouraging excellent candidates to apply. We are seeking about 40 new members to serve three-year terms beginning September 1, 2009.

Diversity of expertise and experience are key to the success of IABs. Each of CIHR Institute IABs is made up of 16 volunteers from Canada and abroad who meet at least twice a year to advise the Institute on health research priorities. They also consider how best to shape and implement health research strategies in line with these priorities, and to accelerate the flow of knowledge into health benefits.

Applications may be submitted online from February 9 to March 31, 2009 at the link above and by clicking on the link: How to apply to become an IAB member.

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**\* 37th North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) Call for Papers**

*Submission Deadline: April 20, 2009*

The Call for Papers for the 2009 NAPCRG Annual Meeting, November 14-18, 2009, in West Montreal, Quebec, Canada, is now available at [www.napcrg.org](http://www.napcrg.org). All submissions for a paper, poster, workshop, forum, or preconference session must be received using our convenient and secure online system. All researchers from around the world are welcome to submit presentations on any topic related to primary care research.

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**Canadian Health Services Research Foundation - Health Services Research Advancement Award**

*Deadline: March 12, 2009 at 12 p.m. (noon) eastern standard time.*

Since 2000, the Foundation has accepted public nominations for our **Health Services Research Advancement Award**. This award is aimed at any individual, team, or organization that has contributed significantly to the advancement of the health services research community in Canada. Nominations must be submitted using the Foundation's nomination form. Click on the link for more information.

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**\* UBC Department of Family Practice wants your input**

The University of British Columbia Department of Family Practice, with funding from the Vancouver Foundation, is developing a BC Primary Healthcare Research Website. The site is intended to be a focal point and prism for primary healthcare research that will offer layers of perspective to a variety of audiences, including researchers, policymakers and the public. It will also contain a "toolkit" section in which visitors can access and add resources.

The Department is asking for input from individuals and organizations who wish to have their perspectives represented, along with research resources pertaining to the wide scope of research categories the department intends to cover. Please contact David J. Adams, Research Coordinator in the UBC Department of Family Practice, at (604) 827-4185.

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**\* Post Doctoral Fellowship - University of Manitoba, Faculty of Medicine**

*Deadline for applications: March 31, 2009*

With funding from the Canada Institute for Health Research (CIHR), the Departments of Community Health Science and Family Medicine, University of Manitoba, along with CancerCare Manitoba will offer a

one to two-year **Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Primary Care Oncology** to commence July 1, 2009 (start date flexible). The competition is open to MDs with appropriate training and experience or PhD prepared scholars. MD applicants must have completed their residency by July 1, 2009 but not more than 2 years beyond their completed residency. There is also an opportunity to work in primary care practice for up to 20% of his/her time. Click on the link for more information including contact details.

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### **Fast Facts**

\* **National Physician Survey (NPS) 2007 - Fast Fact:** The 2007 NPS results are being highlighted in Canadian Family Physician with monthly Fast Facts.

The December issue focuses on **Access to home care**. Home care plays an essential role in the continuum of health care services, and FPs play a vital role in ensuring that their patients receive comprehensive, continuing health care in the home setting. According to the 2007 National Physician Survey (NPS), a total of 52.8% of FPs across Canada provided liaison services to the home care sector for their patients. Written by Jyoti Kotecha and Richard Birtwhistle. Click on the link for more information.

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### \* **Research Associate - Knowledge Translation**

Applications are invited for the position of Research Associate to support the Knowledge Translation Research Network, which is a component of the OICR/CCO Health Services Research Program. The Health Services Research Program is a partnership between the Ontario Institute for Cancer Research (OICR) and Cancer Care Ontario (CCO). The Research Associate will work in close collaboration with the Director, Knowledge Translation Research Network to create an Ontario-wide network of individuals conducting research into knowledge translation applicable to cancer health services. A doctorate with a minimum of three years experience (or acceptable combination of education and experience) in health research that is applicable to knowledge translation research is required. Also required is a demonstrated ability to write proposals for submission to peer-review funding agencies, implement research protocols, analyze and report research results to varied audiences, strong oral and written communication skills, and strong project management skills. Experience in building research teams is an asset. A demonstrated understanding of the principles of knowledge translation research is essential. The position is provincial in scope and based at the Department of Family and Community Medicine, University of Toronto, Ontario.

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community, and especially welcomes applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, members of sexual minority groups and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

For more information about the OICR/CCO Health Services Research Program visit <http://www.oicr.on.ca/>. For more information about CCO visit <http://www.cancercare.on.ca/english/home/>. For more information about the Department of Family and Community Medicine visit <http://dfcm19.med.utoronto.ca/research/about.html>.

Applicants should submit a letter and curriculum vitae before March 30, 2009 to:

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For specific questions regarding this position contact Dr. Eva Grunfeld at [eva.grunfeld@utoronto.ca](mailto:eva.grunfeld@utoronto.ca).

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**\* Associate Director, Research Program**

Department of Family and Community Medicine  
Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto  
The Department of Family and Community Medicine (DFCM) invites applications for the position of Associate Director of the Research Program. The Associate Director will report to and work in close collaboration with the Director to develop and expand the DFCM research program. A doctorate in an applied health research discipline and a minimum of three years experience in health research applicable to family medicine are required. Also required is a demonstrated ability to write proposals for submission to peer-review funding agencies, implement research protocols, analyze and report research results, facilitate research dissemination and knowledge translation, strong oral and written communication skills, and strong project management skills.

The DFCM is North America's largest Department of Family Medicine with over 900 faculty, 248 postgraduate trainees, 226 clinical clerks, 26 research scholars and a broad array of fellows and elective students. For more information about DFCM visit <http://dfcm19.med.utoronto.ca/research/about.html>. The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its

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**\* Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)**

**redesigns website:** The original AHRQ's QualityTools web site [www.qualitytools.ahrq.gov](http://www.qualitytools.ahrq.gov) became inactive as of December 31, 2008. All of the tool summaries that were on the site have been reviewed and moved to a new home on the AHRQ Health Care Innovations Exchange [www.innovations.ahrq.gov](http://www.innovations.ahrq.gov). Please bookmark the new site to continue to find QualityTools and explore the new searchable database of health care innovation profiles.

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## Website Info-To-Go

**A New Website for CIHR:** In order to better serve the research community, the Canadian Institutes of Health Research has just launched a newly re-designed Website. This user-friendly site provides centralized access to health news, research, and funding information. Website navigation and organization is greatly improved, with a specific focus on the needs of researchers. We invite you to take full advantage of this innovative website architecture by bookmarking [www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca).

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## Conference Opportunities



**Family Medicine Forum 2009**

**Telus Centre - Calgary, Alberta  
October 29 - 31, 2009**

**Family Medicine Forum 2009** combines the Annual Scientific Assemblies of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC), the Alberta College of Family Physicians (ACFP), and the Annual Workshops of the CFPC's Sections of Teachers and Researchers.

Join us in Calgary - and come experience what FMF is all about!

**Call for Research Papers and Research Poster Presentations**

*Deadline: May 31, 2009*

Research Day will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2009.

The **Call for Research Papers** and **Posters** to be presented on Research Day is now open! The deadline for abstract submission is May 31, 2009.

Presentations of accepted submissions will take place during RESEARCH DAY at the Hyatt Hotel, Calgary, Alberta.

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**\* 19th Annual Rotman Research Institute Conference -  
Cognitive Aging: Research and Practice**

*March 8 - 10, 2009 Toronto, Ontario*

The 19th annual **Rotman Research Institute Conference** will review latest research findings on the aging brain, behavioural studies of age-related changes in memory and cognition, and applications of recent findings to problems in clinical and other applied settings. The conference will provide a collegial forum for researchers, clinicians and other practitioners to learn of recent advances in the study of aging, and how new concepts and findings are translated to address real-life issues.

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**Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health  
(CADTH) 2009 Symposium - Evidence, Decisions, Outcomes:  
Optimizing the Use of Drugs and Health Technologies**

*April 5-7, 2009 Ottawa, Ontario*

The **2009 CADTH Symposium** follows the link from evidence to decisions to enhanced patient outcomes and explores ideas, initiatives and actions to optimize the uptake and use of health technologies of proven value while managing the diffusion of ineffective and inefficient ones.

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**Canadian Patient Safety Institute - Canada's Forum on Patient Safety and Quality Improvement**

*April 28 - 30 Toronto, ON*

With the increasing national and international focus on patient safety, the need for a broad forum for learning has been identified. **Canada's Forum on Patient Safety and Quality Improvement** will provide multiple learning streams with a national and international flavour. The program for the forum will provide opportunity for a variety of professionals to participate, including, but not limited to, physicians, nurses, pharmacists, health care providers, educators, leaders, researchers, and board members.

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**\* 5th Annual AAMC Physician Workforce Research Conference**

*April 30-May 1, 2009 Washington DC*

The AAMC Center for Workforce Studies is holding its **Fifth Annual Physician Workforce Research Conference**, April 29 - May 1, 2009, in Washington, DC. Watch the website for further details.

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**\* Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) 2009 Annual Conference**

*May 11 - 14, 2009 Calgary, AB*

**The Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR)** invites you to the 2009 Annual **CAHSPR Conference** which 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.

In addition to emerging research, the Annual CAHSPR Conference features provocative plenary lectures by leaders in health policy, and is also the event at which numerous national awards, honours and ceremonies occur.

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**The International Conference on the use of the Internet in the Mental Health Field**

*May 14 - 16, 2009 Montreal, QC*

The **International Conference on the use of the Internet in Mental Health** will be an opportunity to discuss the future of the Internet and its influence on mental health practices. Sociologists,

philosophers, clinicians, and researchers along with professionals in health systems management, information technology, and networking will come together to reflect on the Internet's role in mental health care. Please note that the Conference is bilingual with simultaneous translation.

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**\* The Campbell Collaboration Colloquium 2009 - Better evidence for a better world**

*18 - 20 May 2009 Oslo, Norway*

Better evidence for a better world is the theme of our **2009 Colloquium**. This year, we will focus in particular on low and middle income countries. There is an important overlap between social and medical arenas, and interventions often target the same individuals across disciplines. This Colloquium will examine how social and health policies interrelate, bearing in mind the need to systematically build the best possible evidence base for future policies and programmes.

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**e-Health 2009: Leadership in Action**

*May 31 - June 3, 2009 Québec City, QC*

Presented by COACH (Canada's Health Informatics Association in partnership with the Canadian Institute for Health Information

The **2009 Conference** will showcase an unprecedented number of e-health solutions that are beginning to deliver on the benefits of improved patient outcomes, improved patient safety and improved cost effectiveness in the delivery of care. The core of the Conference will feature the latest health informatics developments through a combination of keynote plenary sessions, concurrent sessions, a leadership forum with contributed papers and posters, facilitated workshops, panels, delivered by thought leaders and innovators.

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**Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) Annual Conference - Public Health in Canada: Strengthening Connections**

*June 7-10, 2009 Winnipeg, MB*

Hosted in collaboration with the Canadian Institute for Health Information - Canadian Population Health Initiative; the Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Population and Public Health, and the Public Health Agency of Canada. Hosted in association with the National Collaborating Centres (NCC) for Public Health and the Manitoba Public Health Association (MPHA).

The conference theme, Public Health in Canada: Strengthening Connections, will provide a forum for sharing our progress and will focus on strengthening the connections among research, policy and

practice, clinical care and public health. For more information, visit the [conference website](#).

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**\* 6th Annual Meeting of Health Technology Assessment International (HTAi 2009) - Globalisation and Health Technology Assessment**

*21 - 24 June, 2009 Singapore*

Organisers: Health Technology Assessment International (HTAi), Singapore Ministry of Health, Singapore Health Services, and The National Healthcare Group (NHG) of Singapore.

The **6th Health Technology Assessment International (HTAi) Annual Meeting** will focus on how globalisation will impact on the field of Health Technology Assessment, how Health Technology Assessment should develop to meet the needs of different parts of the world, and how HTAi should adapt to its role as a global organisation.

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**\* 16th Annual Ontario Health Promotion Summer School (2009) - eHealth Promotion: Connecting Communities and Resources in the 21st Century presented by the Centre for Health Promotion, University of Toronto**

*Date: July 8-10, 2009 Toronto, ON*

*Preschool: Tuesday, July 7, 2009*

The **Ontario Health Promotion Summer School** is designed to provide a comprehensive educational experience, with an emphasis on translating new knowledge into practice. The curriculum is composed of 3 series (First Peoples' Curriculum, French Language Curriculum and General Curriculum) and is designed to facilitate personal growth and organizational, community and system improvements.

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## Funding Opportunities

Canadian Health Services Research Foundation and The Commonwealth Fund - **2009-10 Canadian Harkness Associate Award - Call for Applications**

*Deadline: April 13, 2009*

The Commonwealth Fund, in partnership with the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, offers two **Harkness Associate Awards** annually. These awards are aimed at mid-career health services or health policy researchers, decision makers (health system managers, clinical leaders, and government policy makers), or journalists. Harkness Associates are interested in gaining an in-

depth understanding of the U.S. healthcare system, developing broader international health policy expertise through interaction with international peers, and establishing an international network with leading health policy experts. Click on the link for more information.

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### **The Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada Clinician Scientist Award**

*Competition closes March 16, 2009*

The **Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada** (PCRFC) is pleased to offer a limited number of Clinician-Scientist awards, which provide salary and research support for outstanding Clinician-Scientists initiating a career as independent investigators/junior faculty in prostate cancer research. These awards provide the opportunity for new faculty with 3 or fewer years of service as independent investigators to develop and demonstrate independence in initiating and conducting prostate cancer research. View the program **guidelines** and **application** form in PDF format.

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### **\* Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada Grants Program**

*Deadline: 31 March, 2009*

The **Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada** grants funds to support research into the causes, cure and prevention of prostate cancer. **Grants** will be awarded to Canadian-based research at a maximum value of \$60,000 per year. Categories of research that will be considered include basic, clinical and translational research. The Foundation is particularly supportive of innovative ideas and young investigators. Click on the links above for further information.

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## **HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION**

### **\* Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada Research Program: Request for Proposals - Research Synthesis in Economic Policy, Obesity and Health**

*Intent to submit a proposal: March 13, 2009*

*Proposal due: April 8, 2009*

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada (HSFC) is issuing this **Request for Proposals** (RFP). The purpose of the RFP is to engage the services of a team of research consultants/contractors to

conduct a synthesis of the global research evidence related to economic policies, obesity and health. For more information, please contact **Jennifer Campbell** (Phone: 613-569-4361 ext. 350)

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**\* Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario Junior Personnel Award  
2009/2010 Health Services/Population Health Research Master's Studentship Program**

*Deadline: March 31, 2009. If the deadline falls on a weekend or statutory holiday, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario must receive the application by 4:00pm the previous Friday.*

A key priority of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario (HSFO) is to become a leading funder of health services/population health research. Given this priority, HSFO is excited to invest in these areas to increase capacity and impact by offering up to two **Master's Studentships** annually to highly qualified applicants. Applicants must be undertaking research training in health services and/or population health research in cardiovascular/cerebrovascular fields.

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**CANADIAN INSTITUTES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH**

**Catalyst Grant**

**Official Language Minority Communities (2008-2009)**

(Accessibility to Health Services in Official Language Minority Communities)

*Application Deadline: 2009-03-16*

Within the framework of the overall objectives of the CIHR Catalyst Grant Program, the specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to support research on the health issues experienced within official language minority communities; to increase our knowledge related to accessibility, or lack of, health services in one's language of choice (French or English) and its impact on the health status of these two linguistic communities.

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**Pandemic Preparedness (2008-2009)**

*Registration Deadline: 2009-03-09*

This funding opportunity is announced under the **Pandemic Preparedness Strategic Research Initiative**.

Within the framework of the overall objectives of the CIHR Catalyst Grant Program, the specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to contribute to Canadian pandemic preparedness by supporting catalyst grants in the areas of influenza and the current pandemic threat; to provide seed money to support health research activities which represent a first step towards the pursuit of more comprehensive funding opportunities; to stimulate research in strategic priority areas where there is low capacity and significant knowledge gaps.

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### **Vaccines of the 21st Century**

*Registration Deadline: 2009-03-10*

Within the framework of the overall objectives of the CIHR Catalyst Grant Program, the specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to address scientific questions/problems related to vaccines, such as immune responses that could lead to protective immunity, increased efficacy and regulatory issues in vaccine development; to stimulate research in the area of vaccines so that researchers can be more competitive in future open and targeted funding opportunities.

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### **Fellowship**

#### **Official Language Minority Communities**

*Application Deadline: 2009-04-01*

This funding opportunity is announced under the Strategic Initiative on Official Language Minority Communities (OLMC). The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to provide recognition and funding to academic researchers early in their career; to provide a reliable supply of highly skilled and qualified researchers. Relevant Research Areas: The CIHR research initiative on OLMC will fund applications that are determined to be relevant to the research priority areas described below:

1. Determinants of health
2. Health service governance, management and delivery
3. Language, culture and health

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### **Knowledge Synthesis Grant**

#### **Knowledge Synthesis Grant: 2009-2010**

*Registration Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to produce scoping reviews and syntheses that respond to the information needs of decision makers in all areas of health; to support the use of synthesis evidence in decision-making by building integrated and end-of-grant knowledge translation practices into the production of scoping reviews and syntheses; to extend the benefits of knowledge synthesis to new kinds of questions relevant to decision makers and areas of research that have not traditionally been synthesized.

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### **Master's Award**

#### **HIV/AIDS (Community-Based Research) (2009-2010)**

*Application Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to help ensure a reliable supply of highly qualified personnel to develop knowledge in the fight against the HIV/AIDS epidemic through community-based research; to provide recognition and support to students who are pursuing a Master's degree in a community-based research field related to HIV/AIDS in Canada.

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### **Meetings, Planning and Dissemination Grant**

#### **Health Research Involving Aboriginal People (Spring 2009 Competition)**

*Application Deadline: 2009-06-01*

This funding opportunity will support the implementation of the CIHR Guidelines for Health Research Involving Aboriginal People, which foster culturally competent health research that is relevant to Aboriginal communities.

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity, announced through the Meetings, Planning and Dissemination Grant program, are: to address ethical issues related to health research projects involving Aboriginal communities; to support the implementation of the CIHR Guidelines for Health Research Involving Aboriginal People by helping to build relationships between health researchers and Aboriginal communities in order to be better able to draft full Research Agreements to support subsequent research proposals.

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### **Operating Grant**

#### **Boys' and Men's Health**

(New Frontiers in Boys' and Men's Health: From Neurons to Neighbourhoods)

*Registration Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to provide further opportunities for Canadian researchers to examine issues of relevance to boys' and men's health; to increase our understanding of the unique gendered (psychological, social, cultural, and structural) and sexed (biological, hormonal and genetic) factors that affect boys' and men's health.

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#### **HIV/AIDS (Community-Based Research) (2009-2010)**

Partner(s)/Collaborator(s): The Institute of Infection and Immunity in partnership with the Institute of Aboriginal Peoples' Health

*Registration Deadline: 2009-03-23*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to promote the creation of new knowledge that is relevant to communities and to the goals of the Federal Initiative; to promote the dissemination of new knowledge so that it may positively impact the response of community-based organizations to the HIV/AIDS epidemic; and to develop partnerships between researchers and affected communities.

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#### **Intervention Research (2008-2009)** (Intervention Research - Healthy Living and Chronic Disease Prevention)

*LOI Deadline: 2009-03-16*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: support research on rapidly unfolding "natural experiments" that address chronic disease prevention at the population level; encourage innovative research in collaboration with community, non-profit, private, and/or public partners, where appropriate; develop bidirectional knowledge exchange opportunities between researchers and community, non-profit, private, and/or public partners.

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#### **Prevention of Cardiovascular and Respiratory Diseases**

(Behavioural, Psychosocial, Social and Environmental Factors Important in Primary and Secondary Prevention of Cardiovascular and Respiratory Diseases)

*Registration Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: support research on to further strengthen Canadian and international health research in the upstream factors leading to chronic cardiovascular, cerebrovascular and respiratory conditions; encourage innovative research to address the behavioural, psychological, social and environmental factors important in the effective prevention (both primary and secondary) of chronic diseases, and innovative intervention strategies that can affect outcome.

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## **Other**

### **Clinical Investigatorship Award (2008-2009)**

*Application Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objective of this funding opportunity is to increase Canada's capacity in the area of clinical genetics research.

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### **Evidence on Tap - Expedited Knowledge Synthesis**

*Stage 1 - LOI Deadline: 2009-03-16*

*Stage 2 - Round 1 - Application Deadline: 2009-06-16*

*Stage 2 - Round 2 - Application Deadline: 2009-10-01*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to provide the ministries of health in New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan with high-quality knowledge syntheses and workshops that respond to their decision-making priorities; to demonstrate that CIHR and Canada's health research community can offer an accelerated response option for decision makers who want timely, synthesized evidence on issues of high importance; to establish a pool of qualified research teams for future expedited knowledge synthesis initiatives.

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### **Institute Community Support Grants and Awards**

*Deadline Date: Various*

The ICS Program is not intended to support the direct cost of research (e.g., pilot projects, feasibility studies or operating grants), principal and co-investigator salaries or research equipment. CIHR Institutes use the ICS Program for community development to provide support grants and awards to individuals and organizations within their respective communities to be used for : supporting organizations and activities whose goal is consistent with the Institute's and CIHR's vision, mandate and strategic directions; providing grants or awards in aid of research and knowledge translation activities where the circumstances fall outside CIHR's other programs.

The Institutes' contributions to these activities helps to fulfill their role and the role of CIHR in raising awareness of the importance and value of health research to the health of Canadians, to strengthening the health system, and to contributing to the economy.

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### **International Collaborative Indigenous Health Research Partnership on Chronic Diseases** - (International Collaborative

Indigenous Health Research Partnerships (ICHRP) on Chronic Diseases between New Zealand, Australia and Canada)

*Registration Deadline: 2009-04-10*

*(New Zealand time)*

*LOI (Expression of Interest) Deadline: 2009-05-10*

*(New Zealand time)*

The theme for this funding opportunity is "Reducing the burden of disease and inequalities in health caused by chronic disease in Indigenous people". The funding opportunity will invite applications that have engaged community participation for research which aims to contribute to a reduction in chronic disease in Indigenous populations. Chronic disease was selected as the theme for the research to be funded because of the significant impact of diseases such as cardiovascular disease and diabetes on morbidity and mortality in Indigenous populations. The burden of chronic disease makes a significant contribution to the observed inequalities in health between Indigenous people and the general population. This funding opportunity seeks proposals from multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional and multi-sectoral research teams working in collaboration and involving all three of the partner countries (Australia, Canada and New Zealand).

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### **Research Facilitators in HIV/AIDS (Community-Based Research)**

*Registration Deadline: 2009-03-23*

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are: to develop and enhance community-based research capacity among community representatives and researchers from both academic and non-academic settings; to facilitate the development of partnerships between community organizations and researchers and the engagement of affected communities in HIV/AIDS community-based research; to improve the skills of community organizations in designing community-based research.

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### **Research on Aging (USA-Canada) (2008-2009)**

*Application Deadline: 2009-04-08*

This funding opportunity falls under the CIHR-IA and NIH-NIA Collaboration, which has the following goals: provide multidisciplinary research team environments for training researchers in the field of aging; build a cooperative spirit and strong relationship between CIHR-IA and NIH-NIA and its research communities; promote research on aging in areas of mutual interest and benefit nationally and internationally.

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## **Partnerships**

### **Partnerships for Health System Improvement: 2008-2009**

*Application Deadline: 2009-04-15*

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support teams of researchers and decision makers interested in conducting applied health services and policy research that will be useful to health system managers and/or policy makers over the next two-to-five years. More specifically, this initiative is intended to:

- Support research that "reflects the emerging health needs of Canadians and the evolution of the health system and supports health policy decision-making"<sup>1</sup>;
- Support research relevant to decision makers by producing results that can be applied to multiple regions and/or settings;
- Foster "collaboration with the provinces and with individuals and organizations in or outside of Canada that have an interest in health or health research" and engage a variety of partners, "in or outside Canada, with complementary research interests"<sup>1</sup>;
- Promote the "involvement and recognition of, and respect for, health researchers from [an array] of health disciplines"<sup>1</sup>; and,
- Enable "the dissemination of knowledge and application of health research to improve the health of Canadians"<sup>1</sup> and strengthen the Canadian health care system.

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## **Prize**

### **Knowledge Translation in Aging (2008-2009)**

(Betty Havens Award for Knowledge Translation in Aging)

*Application Deadline: 2009-05-01*

The aim of the award is to recognize outstanding achievements and excellence in knowledge translation in aging at a local or regional level, and to provide financial support to further foster excellence and innovation in knowledge translation activities.

#### Relevant Research Areas

Relevant research areas would be those KT activities that are clearly related to healthy and successful aging, and/or improving the well-being and quality of life of current and future older Canadians. The underpinning research should have addressed issues of aging and/or the aged as essential elements of the objectives, hypotheses and analyses (e.g., dynamics of aging, age-relevant models and/or aged subjects; uniqueness of aging or aged population).

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## **Team Grant**

### **Vision, Hearing and Communication Disorders**

*LOI Deadline: 2009-03-16*

Within the framework of the objectives of the CIHR Team Grant Program noted above, the specific objectives of this funding opportunity are:

- Foster multidisciplinary teams of researchers bridging basic and clinical sciences as well as research on health services and health systems and on population health
- Promote interaction between the research community and individuals who suffer from vision, hearing or communication disabilities
- Address significant vision, hearing or communication disorders and health outcomes
- Translate new knowledge in improved prevention and treatment strategies and in best practices for health professionals and in better public policy for decision makers.

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## **Training Grant**

### **Genetic Epidemiology**

*LOI Deadline: 2009-04-01*

The specific objective of this initiative is to increase Canadian research capacity in genetic epidemiology by attracting excellent trainees from any one of the several educational or research backgrounds including epidemiology, statistics, mathematics, molecular biology, genetics and other relevant disciplines. The trainees (e.g. investigators moving from other disciplines, undergraduate and graduate students) will develop skills to be able i) to bridge laboratory-based research and population health research, ii) to address questions in study design and methodology for genetic epidemiologic research and iii) to develop and apply novel genetic and statistical approaches toward the goal of preventing chronic diseases.

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## **The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)**

\* The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality is pleased to announce two revised and enlarged funding opportunities:

NOTICE: Applications submitted in response to these Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) for Federal assistance must be submitted electronically through [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov) using the SF424 Research and Related (R&R) forms and the SF424 (R&R) Application Guide.

AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01) (PA-09-070) This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is a reissue of [PA-07-243](#).

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): March 9, 2009, then standard dates apply. Click here for [more information](#).

Purpose: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits Large Research (R01) Projects, and expresses AHRQ portfolio priority areas of interest for ongoing extramural health services research, demonstration, dissemination, and evaluation grants.

Research Objectives: AHRQ seeks a wide range of research projects. However, all grant applications must contain projects that fit within the current AHRQ Research Portfolio areas: Value Portfolio; Health Information Technology Portfolio; Comparative Effectiveness Portfolio; Prevention/Care Management Portfolio; Patient Safety Portfolio; Innovations and Emerging Areas Portfolio

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**\* AHRQ Health Services Research Demonstration and Dissemination Grants (R18) (PA-09-071)**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) updates [PA-07-247](#).

Application Receipt/Submission Date(s): March 9, 2009, then standard dates apply. Click here for [more information](#).

NOTE: On-time submission requires that applications be successfully submitted to Grants.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. local time (of the applicant institution/organization).

Application Due Date(s): March 9, 2009, then standard dates apply (click here for [more information](#))

Purpose: This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits Large Research Demonstration and Dissemination (R18) Projects, and expresses AHRQ portfolio priority areas of interest for these ongoing, extramural grants.

Research Objectives: AHRQ seeks a wide range of research dissemination and demonstration projects. However, all grant applications must contain projects that fit within the current AHRQ Research Portfolio areas: Value Portfolio; Health Information Technology Portfolio; Comparative Effectiveness Portfolio; Prevention/Care Management Portfolio; Patient Safety Portfolio; Innovations and Emerging Areas Portfolio.

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\*\* this is a contribution from the [Knowledge Utilization-Utilization des Connaissances \(KU-UC\) E-Watch on Health Innovation](#).