



Disabilities Health Research Network

Making BC Disability Research a Priority

Greetings!

Welcome to our new e-newsletter format. We hope that you find this new design easy to read and enjoy. Any feedback would be most welcome.

April brings Easter, World Autism Day, World Health Day and Earth Day. This month the DHRN is busy planning our annual fall conference which will bring us all together to share and learn once again. We are looking for your feedback on location and length of the conference as well as any topics you would like to see covered. Please take our short survey by clicking [here](#). Your input is important to us.

Warm regards,
Sylvie Zebroff

Conferences/Workshops

NEXUS Spring Institute 2009:

"Knowledge Exchange: From Research to Social Action and Back"

Conference Date: April 16 & 17, 2009

Location: Vancouver, B.C.

Details: This year's institute aims to take a critical look at knowledge exchange, from ethical and political issues to specific creative methods and practices.

[More information](#)

WorkSafeBC Nursing Conference:

"Changing the Landscape of Disability Management"

Date: May 13th, 2009

Location: Vancouver, B.C.

Details: Includes an interactive workshop, "Developing Nursing Disability Management Best Practices" with well-known author, Dianne Dyck. Workshop contributions will be a part of Dianne's new book, *Disability Management: Theory, Strategy & Industry Practice*. contact Jocelyne Fidyk

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[More Information](#)

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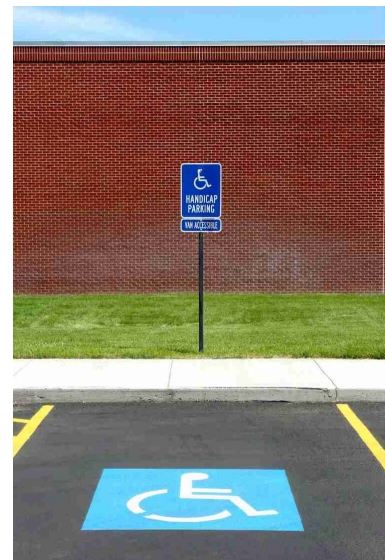
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**Improving Health WITH Communities:
"The Role of Community Engagement in Clinical and
Translational Research"**

Date: May 14-15, 2009

Location: Natcher Conference Center, Bethesda MD

Details: The purpose of this free conference is to discuss and share practices of collaboration between communities and health care providers.

[More information](#)

**BCEOHRN Spring Workshop: "Developing Research
Opportunities Around the 2010 Games- Focus on Public Health
and Environmental Sustainability"**

Date: May 29, 2009 9:00-4:30

Location: SFU Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Vancouver

Details: The purpose of this workshop is to examine research projects carried out in relation to past Olympic Games. International speakers will present their projects from Beijing and Atlanta's experiences. Local researchers will discuss their projects for 2010, with an opportunity for workshop participants to join existing or create new research project teams to take advantage of this unique opportunity.

[More information](#)

**8th Global Conference: "Making Sense Of Health, Illness and
Disease"**

Date: July 3-5, 2009

Location: Mansfield College, Oxford

Details: Conference will address the following general themes:

- I. Health, Illness and Disease in a Globalised World
- II. Systemic Problems in Health Care
- III. Beliefs about Health
- IV. Attitudes to medicine/healing
- V. Purveyors of information

[More information](#)

**BCRRHRN 2nd Annual Conference:
"Research To Action: Improving Health in Rural and Remote
BC"**

Date: September 28-29, 2009

Location: Prince George, BC

Details: This two day event will feature workshops, breakfast discussions, a keynote address, concurrent paper presentations, and networking. The conference will be organized around the following themes:

- * Aboriginal Health
- * Rural People's Health
- * Health Human Resources
- * Access to Health Services
- * Rural Health Across the Lifespan
- * Environmental Health
- * Mental Health
- * Technology and Health

[More information](#)

**Learning Disabilities Association of BC Workshop: "Walk A
Mile In My Shoes"**

Date: Flexible

Location: Vancouver

This flexible workshop is designed to provide an effective way to understand learning disabilities. It can be constructed to accommodate groups and specific interest areas. It is based on a number of interactive exercises and simulations led by a trained

DHRN Benefits

Networking Opportunities
Research Team Support
Workshops
Funding Opportunity Updates
Funding Application Support
Professional Development
Student Travel Subsidies
Student Conference
Internship Opportunities
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DHRN Link Newsletter
E-Newsletter

facilitator.

To book your group call 1 604 873-8139.

[More information](#)

Funding Opportunities

CIHR- Partnerships for Health System Improvement

Application deadline: April 15, 2009

Details: The purpose of this program is to support researchers and decision makers in conducting policy relevant research to improve and strengthen the Canadian health care system. There are a number of grants and development funds available.

[More information](#)

BC Paraplegic Foundation

Next deadline for individual grants: May 1, 2009

Details: To benefit people with spinal cord injuries and other physical disabilities. Grants are provided for equipment, small renovation projects, and miscellaneous disability related participation. Grant maximum is \$3,000

Next deadlines for research grants: May 1, 2009

Details: For researchers who focus on Community Based Rehab and Quality of Life enhancement for people with mobility impairments

[More Information](#)

Women's Health Research Network Seed Funds & Trainee Funds Programs

Application deadline: May 1, 2009

Details: Funding available for grant proposal development, trainee research and travel, and community-based research.

Interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary and intersectoral research teams are encouraged to apply, providing research is focused on gender and girls' and women's health in British Columbia.

[More information](#)

Top Funders - Top 100 U.S. Foundations by Asset Size

This resource contains a top 100 U.S. foundations list, and may be a good site to start a search for philanthropic grants.

[More information](#)

Call for Abstracts

American Historical Association/Disability History Association 2010 Meeting

CALL FOR PANEL PROPOSALS

Date: January 2010, date TBA

Location: San Diego, CA

Proposal deadline: April 15, 2009

Details: The purpose of this conference is to draw attention to disability as a valuable area of historical scholarship and teaching.

Submission criteria: Please include: Session title (of no more than 20 words); Session abstract (up to 500 words); Paper or presentation titles (except for "panel" round tables that list only name and affiliation); Abstract or description for each presentation (up to 300 words); Mailing and e-mail address for each participant; Chair (required) and commentator (optional) for the session and Audiovisual needs. Please submit to: Cathy Kudlick

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For information and a review of last year's meeting, select the [Spring 2009 newsletter](#) at this link.

16th Annual Canadian Conference on International Health - "Health Equity: Our Global Responsibility"

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Date: October 25-28, 2009

Location: Ottawa, Ontario

Abstracts submission deadline: May 11, 2009

Details: This conference will provide opportunities for learning, networking and sharing projects and proposals.

[More information](#)

Worth Checking Out...

Canadian Disability Links

[Alliance for Community Living](#)

The Alliance for Community Living is a gathering of people and organizations who are committed to the empowerment of individuals and families to make decisions that positively affect their communities.

[BC Aboriginal Network on Disability Society](#)

The BCANDS mandate is to provide support services and resources for BC's aboriginal people with disabilities, and those associated with the disabled.

[BC Association for Community Living](#)

The BC Association for Community Living advocates for children, youth and adults and their families in the area of developmental disability to facilitate justice, rights and opportunities in all aspects of living.

[EnableLink](#)

Canadian cross-disability resource including back issues of ABILITIES, a primary Canadian cross-disability lifestyle magazine. .

[Interprovincial Directory of Researchers](#)

The Interprovincial Directory of Researchers is a multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional and bilingual directory of researchers working in Canada. The Directory can be used to locate researchers with specific expertise and interests, and facilitate networking between researchers.

[Visitability Canada](#)

Working to bring people together and collect information around issues of sustainable and accessible housing for all Canadians.

Global Disability Links

[Disability Cultural Projects](#)

The aim of this organisation is to further the cultural equality of Deaf and Disabled people and the Deaf, Disability arts practice in the UK and internationally, and to evolve new approaches to the way these are delivered.

[Disability World](#)

DisabilityWorld is a unique international online magazine (e-zine), dedicated to advancing an exchange of information and expertise regarding the international independent living movement of people with disabilities.

[Global Disability Research](#)

A group of researchers from 11 countries, including Canada, who recognize the lack of equal rights, and the prejudices that people with disabilities experience, and the need by governments and others, for comparative global knowledge about disability policies, planning and research, and the lives of persons with disabilities.

[The Disability History Association](#)

The Disability History Association (DHA) is an international non-profit organization that promotes the study of disabilities. This includes, but is not limited to, the history of individuals or groups with disabilities, perspectives on disability, representations/constructions of disability, policy and practice history, teaching, theory and related social and civil rights movements.

[United Nations Enable](#)

The Division for Social Policy and Development of the United Nations Secretariat in New York is the focal point within the United Nations system on matters relating to disability. It is also the focal point for activities related to global social development, to youth, older persons and the family. The Division for Social Policy and Development works closely with major international non-governmental organizations dealing with disability issues and supports technical co-operation activities, which are jointly prepared with them. In addition, the Division organizes or collaborates in international expert meetings on disability matters.

Publications

[Knowledge to Action: A Knowledge Translation Casebook](#)

This series of knowledge translation (KT) cases spans the breadth of CIHR's health research themes and showcases just a few of the diverse and interesting KT initiatives embarked upon by health researchers. These initiatives range from engaging the media in an informed public policy debate, improving patient care and reducing wait times through better collaboration and cooperation, to helping some of the world's poorest children receive the nutrients they need to grow and thrive. This KT Casebook provides valuable insights into the real world of researchers and knowledge-users as they do knowledge translation.

[Community Living BC newsletter](#)

Disability Research

[Community Living Research Project](#)

The Community Living Research Project is based in the School of Social Work at the University of British Columbia. In the fall of 2005, the Project began exploring Community Living supports and services for adults (19+ years) in four general topic areas: young adults transitioning from high school, residential alternatives to group homes, non-residential supports, and services for seniors.

Arts and Culture

[Piano Performances by Richard Carlson](#)

An alternative classical music performance recorded on a Yamaha Disklavier.

["Difference is Normal"](#)

Arabic Rap Music Video, made in Lebanon, Qatar, and Egypt for the UN

[Autism Speaks](#)

April Theme Days Resources

[World Autism Awareness Day website](#)

[Autism Community Training](#)

[Autism Society Canada](#)

[Artist Stephen Wiltshire](#)

[Applied Theatre Research and Autism Network \(ARTRAN\)](#)

[World Health Day Website](#)



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