



## Greetings!

Thanks to all DHRN members who responded to the DHRN Activities Survey. We greatly appreciate your input. The results have been tabulated and are being used in the process of planning DHRN activities between now and March 31, 2010. The feedback respondents most consistently gave us was that the DHRN website should be a legacy item and that some form of a DHRN membership directory would be of interest. This information will be carefully considered as we move forward.

As the new Director of Programs, I look forward to meeting DHRN members over the next few months. My office is located at ICORD in the Blusson Spinal Cord Centre in Vancouver. Should you wish to contact me, my email address is [diane.reed@ubc.ca](mailto:diane.reed@ubc.ca). All the best for the upcoming holiday season.

Warm Regards,  
Diane Reed  
DHRN Director of Programs

## Breaking News!

### Do you receive the mailed DHRN paper newsletter called: Link?

If you would like to receive it, please send a request with your full name and address to: [wendy.creelman@dhrn.ca](mailto:wendy.creelman@dhrn.ca)

We will be upgrading our website over the course of the next few months and would like to profile some of our members work. If you would like to provide access to publications that you have produced via our website, please send us a PDF of the article with a brief description of the contents, author(s) and date of publication to: [wendy.creelman@dhrn.ca](mailto:wendy.creelman@dhrn.ca)

**A special Congratulations!** goes out to Victoria Claydon who won a \$50 Chapters Gift Card by participating in our DHRN Member Survey last month.

### 2010 DHRN Student Conference - Effective Communication for Collaboration

The upcoming DHRN Student Conference on Feb 4, 2010 will focus on building communication skills around collaboration, a versatile competency across disciplines. We will bring to you diverse perspectives, rich experiences and practical tips from researchers, students, and the disability community.

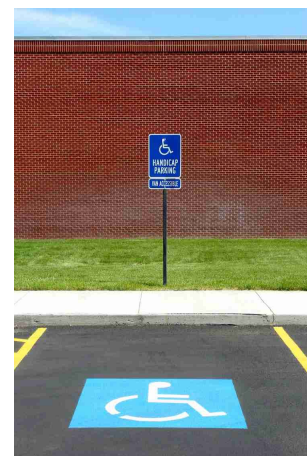
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DHRN Student  
Conference  
Feb. 4, 2010  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

## NEW! DHRN Videos

DHRN Information video\_

Embracing the  
Challenges and  
Celebrating the  
Successes

Wireless Technologies for  
People with Disabilities

Disability Research  
Integration

Visual Arts & Adults with  
Developmental  
Disabilities

## DHRN 2009 Annual Conference Videos

Faye Wightman

More details to follow - *please stay tuned!*

Evaluation Panel

Controlling your  
evaluation destiny!

What is it we do again?

Program evaluation in a  
nutshell

## Conferences/Workshops

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

#### **DHRN Student Conference**

**Date:** Feb. 4, 2010

**Location:** ICORD - Blusson Spinal Cord Centre,  
818 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver, BC.

#### **BCNAR Annual Conference 2010: Opportunities at the Crossroads of Scientific Discovery: Design and Analysis of Longitudinal Data for Interdisciplinary Research Across the Life Span**

**Date:** January 28 - 29, 2010

**Location:** Wosk Centre for Dialogue, 580 West Hastings Street,  
Vancouver.

[More information](#)

#### **Autism Awareness Centre Conference**

**Date:** March 5 & 6, 2010

**Location:** Radisson Hotel Edmonton South,  
4440 Gateway Blvd, Edmonton, Alberta

[More information](#)

#### **The Early Years Conference: The Rights of the Child**

**Date:** February 4th - 6th, 2010

**Location:** The Victoria Conference Centre  
720 Douglas Street, Victoria, BC

[More information](#)

#### **Canadian Public Health Association Centennial Conference- Public Health in Canada: Shaping the Future Together**

**Date:** June 13-16, 2010

**Location:** Sheraton Centre Toronto

[More information](#)

#### **The 25th Annual International Technology & Persons with Disabilities Conference**

**Date:** March 22-27, 2010

**Location:** Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel, San Diego, CA

[More information](#)

#### **Monarch House Autism Centre Information Session**

**Date:** Ongoing - Last Thursday of every month.

**Location:** Monarch House Autism Centre 3185 Willingdon Green,  
Burnaby

**Details:** These open information sessions provide factual overviews  
on autism diagnosis and navigating the system - to the range of  
available therapies designed to treat children with Autism. If you are  
a parent, caregiver, educator, or simply want to learn more about  
Autism, call to register for Monarch House's monthly Information  
Night.

**Contact:** Stacey, (604)205-9204 [monarchhouse@cbi.ca](mailto:monarchhouse@cbi.ca)

[More information](#)

#### **Don't Panic! Brief Strategic Treatment of Anxiety Disorders featuring Dr. Reid Wilson**

**Date:** Jan 21-22, 2010

**Location:** Justice Institute BC - 715 McBride Boulevard,  
New Westminster, BC

**Details:** This 2 day event will be of benefit to counsellors or therapists working with those who suffer from anxiety disorders.

[More information](#)

## Funding/Job Opportunities

### **Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research: Heritage Summer Studentships**

**Deadline:** February 1, 2010

**For further details:** Contact Christina Van Gelderen by e-mail at [christina.van.gelderen@ahfmr.ab.ca](mailto:christina.van.gelderen@ahfmr.ab.ca) or by phone at (780) 429-9340.

[More information](#)

### **BC Nursing Health Services Research Network (NHSRN): Network Manager Position**

**Details:** The BC NHSRN is seeking a Manager for a leadership role in launching their unique research planning and collaboration forum. For more information contact Sarah Titcomb at:

[stitcomb@phsa.ca](mailto:stitcomb@phsa.ca)

### **The BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health: Research Assistant - Addictions Research Program**

**Details:** The Research Assistant will be responsible for a wide range of tasks and would be well-suited to a University graduate with some research experience in women's health, substance use/addictions, trauma, FASD prevention, or a background in either qualitative or quantitative research.

[More information](#)

### **Josephine Mills Research Awards 2010**

**Details:** The Down Syndrome Research Foundation (DSRF) established the Josephine Mills Research Awards in 2007 to honour and recognize outstanding researchers in the fields of Down syndrome (DS) and MEG research.

**Nomination deadline:** December 31, 2009.

[More information](#)

## Call for Abstracts

### **International Forum on Disability Management**

**Date:** September 20-22, 2010

**Location:** Wilshire Grand Hotel, Los Angeles

**Details:** Working to advance disability management knowledge and initiatives.

**Abstract Deadline:** December 31, 2009

[More information](#)

### **2nd Conference on Positive Aging**

**Date:** 26-27 November 2010

**Location:** Vancouver

**Details:** The aim of the 2nd National Conference on Positive Aging is to bring together an interdisciplinary audience of health professionals and researchers to address some of the issues and challenges facing the aging population today.

**Abstract deadline:** March 26, 2010

[More information](#)

## 6th Annual International Conference on Kinesiology and Exercise Sciences

**Date:** June 28-July 1, 2010.

**Location:** Athens Institute for Education and Research, Athens, Greece.

**Details:** The aim of the conference is to bring together scholars and students from all areas of applied and integrated health sciences, including physiology, health psychology, health promotion, epidemiology, biomechanics, sports medicine, training methods, nutrition, and physical education.

**Abstract deadline:** December 28, 2009

[More information](#)

## The Sixth World Conference on the Promotion of Mental Health and Prevention of Mental and Behavioral Disorders - Addressing Imbalances: Promoting Equity in Mental Health

**Date:** November 17-29, 2010

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Abstract submission deadline:** April 30, 2010

[More information](#)

## Worth Checking Out

[Children's ministry funding cuts may prove short-sighted and harmful](#)

[Can cognitive enhancers reduce the risk of falls in older people with Mild Cognitive Impairment? A protocol for a randomised controlled double blind trial](#)

Since cognitive enhancers, such as cholinesterase inhibitors, improve attention and executive function, this study hypothesised that cognitive enhancers may reduce fall risk in elderly people in the early stages of cognitive decline by improving their gait and balance performance due to an enhancement in attention and executive function.

Authors : Manuel Montero-Odasso, Jennie L Wells, Michael J Borrie and Mark Speechley

[Untape](#)

UNTAPE is a website where people can share information on what has worked for them when dealing with the bureaucratic maze or a place to find their way through the maze. On UNTAPE you can take a tip or leave a tip - its up to you.

[OWHN Women Inclusion Resources](#)

The resources provided here are based on focus groups and Inclusion Research in multiple projects, and in piloting Women's Health Circles. These tools are intended as a guide for community members, organizations and health and social service providers.

## December Theme Days

December 3, 2009

[International Day of Persons with Disabilities](#)



December 10, 2009  
[Human Rights Day](#)

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