



Disabilities Health Research Network

Making BC Disability Research a Priority

Greetings!

It's already May! This month our health recognition days include the UN International Day of Families, Speech & Hearing Awareness Month Canada, International Fibromyalgia Awareness Day and Canada Health Day (see links below).

We are very happy to announce the launch of a new and expanded DHRN website in mid-May. We would like to profile the work of our members. If you have papers, articles, videos, audios or photos that have a disability health focus please send them our way. Please send them to: dhrn.info@ubc.ca.

We hope you will take advantage of a **new membership benefit** launched May 1st. We have a new webinar platform available for member use. Do you need to hold a webinar, conference call or electronic meeting? Contact us at: dhrn.info@ubc.ca, and we'll set you up. It's that easy!

Keep your eye out for announcements about the DHRN website launch and new features for members. Finally, thanks to all of you who participated in our DHRN conference survey. Your input is important and helped us to make the decision to hold a two day conference in Vancouver.

Warm regards,
Sylvie Zebroff

Conferences/Workshops

SAVE THE DATE!

Our fall DHRN Annual Conference will be held at the Bayshore Hotel in Vancouver September 24 - 25, 2009

More details soon.

Disability, Health and Wellness Conference: Gaining Momentum for Change

Date: May 11 - 12, 2009

Location:

Victoria Inn (1808 Wellington Avenue), Winnipeg, MB

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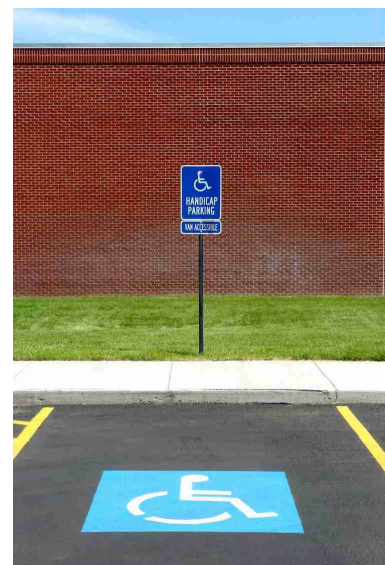
Clinician Research Mentorship and Undergraduate Research Training in Aboriginal Health Awards

May 15th, 2009

Conduct Your Own Webinar

Do you have a need to meet with others who are separated by distance? Use our webinar tool and meet online.

Interested? Send us an [e-mail](#).



DHRN Benefits

Details: This conference is designed for people living with disabilities, supporters and caregivers, healthcare workers and policy makers. The keynote speakers are David Lepofsky, president of the Canadian Association for Visually Impaired Lawyers, and Karen Tamley, Commissioner of the City of Chicago's Mayor's Office for Persons with Disabilities.

[More Information](#)

WorkSafeBC Nursing Conference: "Changing the Landscape of Disability Management"

Date: May 13, 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](#)

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 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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](#)

Community Based Research in Women's Health

Date: June 5, 2009 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Location: Coast Inn of the North, Prince George, BC

Details: This conference will encompass panel presentations, small group work, presentation of new and advanced community based research as well as networking opportunities. The conference is free and there are opportunities for travel reimbursement.

[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 themes:

- I. Health, Illness and Disease in a Globalised World
- II. Systemic Problems in Health Care
- III. Beliefs about Health

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[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](#)

Funding Opportunities

Michael Smith Foundation Extends HoPN Funding Until April 2010

The Board of Directors of the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research, at its meeting on April 2, 2009, made a number of decisions about its programs, based on funding available and the strategic planning process which is due for completion in Summer 2009.

The current group of Health of Population Networks (HoPN) will be extended by six months to March 31, 2010, when funding will cease. The Foundation hopes to announce a new network program, open to new and previous applicants, for the fall of 2009, with funding to commence in April 2010. The introduction of the new program, which would have reconfigured guidelines, is contingent on the outcome of the strategic planning process and additional funding to the Foundation.

Vancouver Foundation: Disability for Supports Employment Fund

Given the dramatic economic downturn of recent months, and the on-going volatility of global markets, the Vancouver Foundation Board of Directors has decided to reduce their distributions for 2009 and will have only one granting cycle in the fall.

Clinician Research Mentorship and Undergraduate Research Training in Aboriginal Health Awards 2009- CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The purpose of this research opportunity is to introduce undergraduate and graduate students to the field of Aboriginal Health research with the hope that these students will consider getting involved in long term research projects in this area. \$3000.00 awards are being offered at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Deadline for applications: May 15, 2009

[More information](#)

DHRN Travel Grants: Student Travel Subsidy for Conference Participation

Subsidies are available for National conference travel (up to

\$1000.00) and International conference travel (up to \$1500.00)

Deadline: June 30th, 2009

For further details, or if you have any questions, please contact:

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[Application](#)

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

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

Conference Date: October 25 - 28, 2009

Location: Ottawa, Ontario

Abstract submission deadline: May 11, 2009

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

[More information](#)

5th Annual Canadian Conference on Dementia

Conference Date: October 1 - 3, 2009

Location: Toronto, Ontario

Abstract submission deadline: July 15, 2009

Details: This conference will highlight clinical and cutting edge developments in dementia research being studied by national and international scholars. It will include keynotes, plenaries, roundtable discussions, poster presentations and workshops, as well as a gala for participants.

[More information](#)

Worth Checking Out...

Canadian Disability Links

<http://www.ilvernon.ca>

info@ilvernon.ca

10th Annual Cycling For Independence

May 3, 2009

[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.

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.

[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.

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.

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[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

[Art, Disability and Expression Exhibit](#)

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Canada Health Day

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