

Call for Applications: 2009-2010 NL Healthy Aging Research Program

NLCAHR is pleased to announce the launch of the 2009-2010 Newfoundland and Labrador Healthy Aging Research Program.

The program offers the following fellowships and awards for research on topics related to healthy aging:

- ... Project Grants
- ... Seed Grants
- ... Data Inventory Reports
- ... Synthesis Reports
- ... Doctoral Dissertation Awards
- ... Doctoral Research Grants
- ... Master's Research Grants
- ... Post-Doctoral Fellowships
- ... Faculty Course Buyout Grants
- ... Faculty Retraining Awards

The deadline for all applications is October 13 2009. Please consult the NLCAHR website for application information.

Details

NLCAHR Releases 2008-2009 Annual Report

The fiscal year ending in March 2009 saw many exciting developments for NLCAHR, and also some challenges.

Information on the Centre's activities over the last year are available in our Annual Report, which is now available on the NLCAHR website.

Details

NLCAHR 2009 Research Grants and Fellowships Announced

The Newfoundland and Labrador Centre For Applied Health is pleased to announce the winners of the 2009 Research Grants and Fellowships Competitions.

Masters Fellowships

- ... Taylor Ferrier, Community Health and Humanities: "Prostate Cancer Care: Wait Times to See an Urologist."
- ... Kathleen Little, Clinical Epidemiology: "Factors Associated with Social Worker Turnover and Retention in Child, Youth and Family Services in Newfoundland and Labrador."

Doctoral Fellowship

- ... Pamela Button, Psychology: "Dysfunctional Coping Mechanisms in Health Professional Students Dealing with Stress"

Project Grant

- ... Gerard Farrell, eHealth Research Unit: "The Effectiveness of the Edmonton Symptom Assessment System (ESAS) in Monitoring Palliative Care Patients in the Community."

Development Grants

- ... Maria Mathews, Faculty of Medicine: "Return-for-Service Programs in Newfoundland and Labrador."
- ... Kris Aubrey-Bassler, Primary Healthcare Research Unit: "Nephrolithiasis in the emergency department: Epidemiology and development of a rule to predict the need for CT diagnosis."

NLCAHR congratulates the successful applicants and thanks all applicants for their interest in NLCAHR's funding programs.

Call for Abstracts & Proposals: New Directions in Health Research on Sex and Gender

NLCAHR and the Research Affinity Group on Sex, Gender and Health invite you to join us for the conference "New Directions in Health Research on Sex and Gender" on Monday, October 19 2009.

This event, which is funded in part by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Institute for Gender and Health), will feature keynote speakers Dr. Donna Mergler, Université du Québec à Montréal; Dr. Katherine Lippel, University of Ottawa; and Dr. Ivy Bourgeault, McMaster University.

We invite session proposals and presentation and poster abstracts in the areas of Gender/Sex, Health and the Body; Gender/Sex, Health and Work; and Gender/Sex, Health Care Models, Policy and Delivery. The call is open to both academic submissions across disciplines and non-academic submissions. Details on how to submit an abstract are available on the nlcahr website. The deadline for receipt of abstracts and proposals is July 31 2009.

Details

New Directions in Health Research

**SEX &
GENDER**

St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador
October 19 2009 www.nlcahr.mun.ca

**Evidence in Context:
 Report on the CHRSP
 KTE Forum**

On May 4-5 2009, NLCAHR hosted a meeting to evaluate and build on its Contextualized Health Research Synthesis Program (CHRSP).

The CHRSP Knowledge Exchange Forum was made possible by funding from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Knowledge Translation Branch and the Institute for Health Services and Policy Research). It brought key participants from each of the province's regional health authorities and from the Department of Health and Community Services together with the CHRSP Staff Team and leading experts Drs. Ian Graham, Jeremy Grimshaw, and Pat Martens to examine the CHRSP process to date.

These invited guests provided an invaluable contribution to CHRSP by critiquing the process and content of the program, and providing direction for future CHRSP activities.

[Details](#)

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Research Highlights

Creating Productive and Healthy Environments for Older Workers

Inactivity associated with retirement can lead to mental and physical illnesses which reduce the quality of life of the individuals and their families and increase health care costs. While many older Canadians wish to work past the age of 65, family obligations, health problems, transportation difficulties, changing demands of work, inflexible schedule and other personal reasons may make this a challenge.

In order to promote longer employment of this age group, Dr. Lan Gien, along with co-investigators Drs. Wendy Young (Canada Research Chair in Aging), Stephen Bornstein, Scott MacKinnon (Canada Research Chair in Workplace Health and Safety) and Sandra LeFort, would like to talk with older workers in Newfoundland & Labrador to understand more about what they see as barriers and challenges for extending their work life. The research team will use this information to suggest changes in the workplace or in existing policies to encourage older workers to remain in employment longer.

Dr. Gien and her team will work closely with several seniors' groups including the Canadian Association for the Fifty Plus, the National Pensioners and Senior Citizens of Canada, and the Seniors' Resource Centre of Newfoundland and Labrador. The project team will include researchers from England and representatives from the government Newfoundland and Labrador.

Findings and lessons learned from this project will be shared with all partners, seniors' groups, the general public and health care workers so that older workers can get the support they need to remain longer in the workforce if they so choose. According to Dr. Gien, "This project will help older workers achieve their full potential and help them to feel good about themselves. As such they can remain healthy as they age and contain the cost to the health care system."

The project is funded by the Canada-UK Aging Initiative in partnership with CIHR's Institute of Aging. The team will receive a grant of \$225,000 for work that is expected to be completed in 2012.

[Details](#)



Dr. Lan Gien

Notebook

NLCAHR Congratulates...

...the research team of Drs. Gerry Mugford, Patrick Parfrey, Anne Sclater, Marshall Godwin, Proton Rahman and Don MacDonald for leading the Newfoundland site of the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CLSA).

The CLSA will be one of the most comprehensive studies on aging ever undertaken.

[Details: www.clsa-elcv.ca](http://www.clsa-elcv.ca)

Recommended Reading

Healthy Canadians: A Federal Report on Comparable Health Indicators 2008. Health Canada, 2009

[Details: www.hc-sc.gc.ca](http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca)

E-Watch Bulletin on Innovation in Health Services

Chair on Knowledge Transfer and Innovation, Laval University

[Details: http://kuuc.chair.ulaval.ca](http://kuuc.chair.ulaval.ca)

**Grants, Fellowships and
 Conference Opportunities**

For up-to-date information on health research-related conferences and funding opportunities, see the NLCAHR website: www.nlcahr.mun.ca

Post your notices here...

Send your health research-related notices for inclusion in our quarterly newsletter.

Our next newsletter:
 October 2009.

Submissions by September 15th
 to nlcahr@mun.ca