

ENHANCING HEALTH CARE IN NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR: RESEARCH FUNDING IS ANNOUNCED

The Dr. H. Bliss Murphy Cancer Care Foundation, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and Eastern Health are pleased to issue this advance announcement of the second annual call for proposals for: **Enhancing Health Care in Newfoundland and Labrador: a Research Fund Following from the Cameron Inquiry.**



Wishing you the very best of the holiday season!

NLCAHR will administer these awards. A formal and detailed announcement will be issued early in January. This competition will provide awards of up to \$75,000 for projects that propose research or innovative pilot projects that can contribute to the enhancement of the quality of care and the improvement of treatment outcomes for the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The application process will consist of two stages. In the first, applicants must submit a 2-page Letter of Intent no later than **February 16, 2013**. This letter should include a project title, the names and affiliations of the applicant(s), a brief description of the issues to be addressed and of the approach to be taken, and a preliminary budget estimate. Applicants whose letters of intent are deemed to fit within the mandate of fund will be notified by **March 1, 2013**. They will be asked to submit a full application no later than **April 30, 2013**.

The Principal Applicant of any proposal must be an employee or student of one of the province's regional health authorities, Memorial University or any other non-profit organization in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. A portion of the funds will target emerging researchers.

Call for proposals:

A detailed, formal call for proposals for this year's competition will be issued early in January. In the meantime, please refer any questions to: Tyrone White tkwhite@mun.ca 709 777 7973.



Getting the Word Out:

Disseminating 'Evidence in Context' Reports

NLCAHR has recently hosted two events to disseminate the results of studies carried out through our Contextualized Health Research Synthesis Program (CHRSP). At these events, we were pleased to engage in discussion with decision-makers, health professionals, health system stakeholders, and researchers in order to optimize uptake of the reports' findings and to help promote evidence-informed decision-making/clinical practice in the province.

Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy: On October 16, 2012, we hosted a discussion of findings from our report on hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) for healing difficult wounds. The full report, as well as an executive summary and a one-page brief, is available on the NLCAHR website: www.nlcahr.mun.ca/research/chrsp/hyperbaric.php

Age-Friendly Acute Care: On December 11, 2012, we held a meeting to disseminate our report on Age-Friendly Acute Care. Dr. Belinda Parke of the University of Alberta, the Lead Author of the report, presented the evidence findings. The full report and all companion documents are here: <http://www.nlcahr.mun.ca/research/chrsp/AFAC.php>

The CHRSP project team continues to follow-up on the impact and uptake of these reports in consultation with our health system partners.

NEW CHRSP PROJECTS FOR 2013

In consultation with the province's four Regional Health Authorities and the Department of Health and Community Services, NLCAHR has developed a new round of topics for study under the Contextualized Health Research Synthesis Program (CHRSP) for 2013. After a general call for topics, our filtering and voting process yielded a priority list of topics identified by the leaders of the provincial health system. As we proceed to study each of these topics, we will continue to work with our health system partners on team-building and consultation to optimize integrated knowledge translation and evidence-informed decision making in Newfoundland and Labrador.

In early 2013, our CHRSP Project team will proceed with the following 35-50-page 'Evidence in Context' reports:

- Point-of-care testing: *"How effective and efficient is point-of-care testing compared to traditional sampling in the ER?"*
- Falls prevention in Acute Care and Longterm Care Settings: *"What interventions are most effective in preventing falls in acute and long term care settings?"*

The following topic will be subject to a more immediate, succinct review in a 'Rapid Evidence Report':

- Flu vaccination: *"What factors enhance the uptake of flu vaccination among healthcare professionals?"*

We thank the five Health System Leaders and our CHRSP Champions for their vital contribution to our topic selection process this year and we look forward to working with them on these and other topics identified for study in the coming year.



EVENTS ROUND-UP

National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools Knowledge Translation Workshop: Preventing Childhood Obesity

- **Theme:** Exploring strategies and work plans based on what works and does not work in childhood obesity prevention. Guest speaker Dr. Phillip Baker, University of Technology, Brisbane, Australia, Director of Epidemiology, Queensland Health
- **Date:** January 31, 2013
- **Location:** Toronto
- [Details](#)

Breastfeeding: from science to skills

- **Theme:** Seminars for Health Professionals featuring specialized topics of interest to those involved in caring for women and babies, and in public health
- **Date:** March 2-16, 2013
- **Location:** Hobart, Melbourne, Canberra, Brisbane, Sydney, Adelaide, Perth, Australia
- [Details](#)

Body Projects Conference

- **Theme:** facilitating discussion on the contemporary female body, its relation to body modification and its situation in the contemporary world
- **Date:** March 9, 2013
- **Location:** University of York, United Kingdom
- [Details](#)

Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies in Health (CADTH) 2013 Symposium

- **Theme:** Evidence in Context: topics of significant interest to producers and users of evidence-based information and advice on health technologies.
- **Date:** May 5-7, 2013
- **Location:** Delta Hotel, St. John's, NL
- [Details](#)

2013 CAHSPR Conference (Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research)

- **Theme:** Making Good on the Triple Aim: How to Improve our Success within the Canadian Context
- **Date:** May 28-30, 2013
- **Location:** Sheraton Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC
- **Abstracts:** January 24, 2013
- [Details](#)

For more information about forthcoming conferences and events, please visit [our website](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

CIHR Dissemination Events: Winter 2013 Competition

Objectives: to support events/activities that contribute to the dissemination, exchange and uptake of research evidence.

Funding: \$185,000 in total funding is available to fund approximately 7 grants; the maximum amount per grant is \$25,000 for up to one year. (non-renewable)

Deadline: February 15, 2013

[Details](#)

CIHR Master's Award 2012-2013 (Frederick Banting and Charles Best Canada Graduate Scholarships)

Objectives: to help ensure a reliable supply of highly qualified personnel to meet the needs of Canada's knowledge economy.

Funding: Total available is \$2.45 million, enough to fund approximately 140 awards; the maximum amount per award is \$17,500 for up to one year. (non-renewable)

Eligibility: Criteria for all CIHR funding programs will apply. In this case, CIHR is seeking Canadian trainees as Nominated Principal Applicants with supervisors where applicable; nominees must be full-time students having completed, or in the last year of, their Bachelor's program.

Deadline: February 1, 2013

[Details](#)

CIHR Planning Grants: Winter 2013 Competition

Objectives: To provide support for planning activities, partnership development and/or increasing the team's understanding of the health research landscape that will contribute to the advancement of research consistent with the mandate of CIHR.

Funding: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$175,000, enough to fund approximately seven grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. This funding is non-renewable.

Deadline: February 15, 2012

[Details](#)

See details about these and other funding opportunities on [our website](#).



Upcoming Meetings:

To attend any of these meetings in person or by teleconference, please RSVP Rochelle.baker@med.mun.ca

Mental Health

January 10, 2013 at 12:30pm
NLCAHR Boardroom

Eating Disorders, Disordered Eating, and Body Image

January 18, 2013 at 3:00pm
NLCAHR Boardroom

Autism

January 18, 2013 at 10:30am
Elaine Dobbin Centre
As this meeting is at the Elaine Dobbin Centre, kindly RSVP:
achafe@autism.nf.net

Aging

January 23, 2013 at 12:00pm
NLCAHR Boardroom

Chronic Disease

January 30, 2013 at 12:00pm
NLCAHR Boardroom

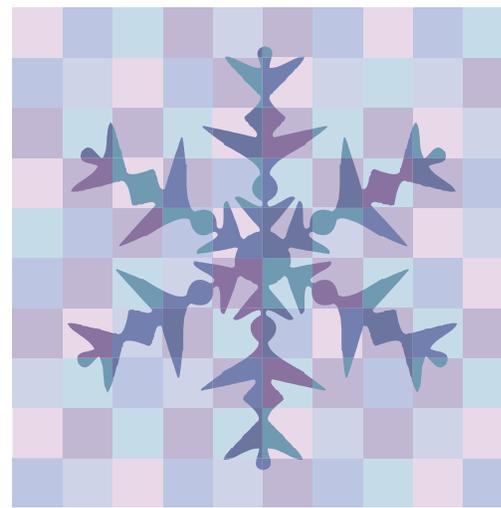
Rural, Northern and Aboriginal Health

February 12, 2013 at 12:30pm
NLCAHR Boardroom

In winter 2013, we will be launching a new group on **Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Practice**. This group will bring together educators, researchers, practitioners and policy makers to discuss projects intended to enhance the opportunities for health and social professional students to learn about, with, and from one another and to improve collaborative practice. [Click to join or to learn more.](#)

Are you interested in health research on bullying?

NLCAHR is currently seeking members for a potential new Research Exchange Group on Bullying. We wish to advise that this group will focus on *research* related to this important area of health; it is not intended to take on an advocacy role. If you would like to join, please email Rochelle.baker@med.mun.ca



Holiday Hours at NLCAHR:

Please note that the Centre will close early on December 24, 2012 and will re-open on January 3, 2013.

Happy Holidays!



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