

# APPLIED HEALTH RESEARCH NEWS

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## \$260,000 in Research Grants Awarded: Enhancing Health Care in Newfoundland and Labrador

Four research grants totaling \$260,000 have been awarded through the *Enhancing Health Care in Newfoundland and Labrador* research fund, which was established to advance the care of patients in Newfoundland and Labrador. This research fund was established by recommendation of the Commission of Inquiry on Hormone Receptor Testing (the Cameron Inquiry).



The Enhancing Health Care in Newfoundland and Labrador fund is valued at \$1 million over four consecutive years. The fund is sponsored by the Department of Health and Community Services - \$400,000; Eastern Health - \$400,000; and the Dr. H. Bliss Murphy Cancer Care Foundation - \$200,000. Since the fund was established, \$388,500 in grants has been awarded. As the awards administrator for this program, NLCAHR wishes to acknowledge the high quality of applications received for this competition and to thank all applicants for their interest in this year's program. We congratulate the following awards recipients:

#### Dr. Kenneth Kao and Dr. Frank Torres

The Use of Standardized Controls for Hormone Receptor Testing in Invasive Breast Cancer |\$70,000

#### **Dr. Catherine Popadiuk**

Implications for Cervical Cancer Screening in the HPV Vaccine Era |\$70,000

#### **Dr. Marshall Godwin**

Family Physicians' Attitudes Toward and Adherence to Prevention and Screening Guidelines in Newfoundland and Labrador | \$70,000

#### Dr. Jerry McGrath and Dr. Edward Randall

Examination of a Novel Biomarker to Improve Screening for Colorectal Cancer |\$50,000

Details about the fund and about this year's funded studies are available here: <u>http://www.easternhealth.ca/viewNewsPDF.aspx?d=&id=&p=&nid=835</u>

## **Reminder to apply**

Newfoundland and Labrador Healthy Aging Research Program | 2013-2014

The Newfoundland and Labrador Healthy Aging Research Program (NL-HARP) provides funding each year for student awards, faculty awards, and research grants to support research on issues of relevance to the Provincial Healthy Aging Policy Framework.



Funding for research to promote healthy aging

This year, NL-HARP Awards will be granted under the following categories:

- Research Grants: Project Grants of up to \$30,000 and Seed Grants of up to \$7,500.
- Fellowships/Student Awards: Master's Research Grants of up to \$5,000 and Doctoral Dissertation Awards of up to \$22,000.

The deadline for applications under these awards will be October 31, 2013. If you require any further information, please contact our Awards Coordinator, Tyrone White: <u>tkwhite@mun.ca</u> or phone 709-777-7973.

Deadline for Applications: October 31, 2013 | Details: <u>www.nlcahr.mun.ca/funding/aging</u> Questions: Contact Tyrone White: <u>tkwhite@mun.ca</u> or call 777-7973

## **CHRSP: Status Update**

In early September, NLCAHR launched its next round of topic selection under the Contextualized Health Research Synthesis Program (CHRSP). Our health system partners are now working within their respective organizations to identify priority research topics for the next round of CHRSP studies. In the meantime, CHRSP Research Teams are at work on the following reports:

- **Community-Based Service Models for Seniors:** The final draft of this report is almost complete. NLCAHR is now working with the Department of Health and Community Services towards a CIHR-funded Best Brains Exchange that will bring decision-makers from the NL health system together with leading Canadian research experts to examine the implications of the study. Our CHRSP Research Team will also present findings from this study that relate to Integrated Care Models for Seniors at PriFor 2013, the Primary Healthcare Partnership Forum, taking place at the Sheraton Hotel in St. John's on November 25-26, 2013.
- **Point-of-Care Testing in the ER:** The evidence synthesis for this study is now complete and the first draft of the report is in progress, with an anticipated dissemination later this year.
- Falls Prevention for Seniors in Institutional Healthcare Settings in NL: The full research team is now reviewing a first draft of this report which will then be submitted for external review.

**Pending Projects:** When the projects noted above are completed, CHRSP will commence two new *Evidence in Context* studies: *Strategies for Preventing Type 2 Diabetes* and *Effective Strategies for Managing Aggression in Patients with Dementia in Long-Term Care Settings*. CHRSP will also undertake *Rapid Evidence Reports* on outpatient programs for patients with chronic disease and on the effectiveness of one-time health promotion initiatives.

#### **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships**

This program promotes synergy between an applicant's individual merit/potential to launch a successful research-intensive career and the host institution's commitment to the research program.

Maximum \$70,000/award for up to two years. Deadline: October 23, 2013 Details

#### **CIHR Doctoral Research Award:**

Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships (2013-2014) Trainee stipend: \$50,000 per annum. Deadline: November 6, 2013 <u>Details</u>

#### CIHR Fall 2013 Fellowships:

These fellowships provide support for highly qualified candidates in all areas of health research at the post-PhD or post-health professional degree stages to add to their experience by engaging in health research either in Canada or abroad. Trainee Stipend: \$40,000 per annum. Deadline: November 15, 2013 <u>Details</u>

#### CIHR Operating Grant: HIV/AIDS:

Community-Based Research (2013-2014), a collaborative approach to research that equitably involves all partners in the research process and recognizes the unique strengths that each brings.

\$150,000/year maximum. Deadline: November 18, 2013 Details

### **EVENTS ROUND-UP**

Canadian Association on Gerontology: CAG 2013 From Cells to Society October 17-19 2013 |Halifax |<u>Details</u>

ICERI 2013: 6th International Conference of Education, Research and Innovation Discussion and exchange about innovations in education and research November 18-20, 2013 | Seville | <u>Details</u> **Canadian Rural Health Research Society Conference** Stories of rural health through knowledge, research and collaborative action November 13-15, 2013 | Prince George, BC | <u>Details</u>

**PriFor 2013: The Primary Healthcare Partnership Forum** *Improving Primary Healthcare Delivery: Renovating, Remodelling, Rebuilding* November 25-26, 2013 | St. John's, NL |<u>Details</u>



#### **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FALL 2013**

www.nlcahr.mun.ca/research/affinity.php

#### MENTAL HEALTH | 12:30pm -2:00pm

- October 17, 2013
- November 21, 2013
- December 19, 2013

### EATING DISORDERS, DISORDERED EATING & BODY IMAGE | 3:00-4:30pm

- October 18, 2013
- November 15, 2013
- December 13, 2013

#### BULLYING AND HEALTH | 12:30-2:00pm

- October 30, 2013
- November 27, 2013

#### RURAL NORTHERN AND ABORIGINAL HEALTH | 12:30-2:00pm

- Fall Meeting Date to be announced
- Winter Meeting December 3, 2013

#### ORAL HEALTH | 12:30-2:00pm

• November 8, 2013

Please note that we are awaiting confirmation from our conveners about the autumn schedule for our Research Exchange Groups on Chronic Disease, Autism, Aging and Women's Health/Gender & Health. We will notify all members once the schedule of dates has been decided.

Research Exchange Group Meetings are held in the NLCAHR Boardroom, 95 Bonaventure Avenue, Suite 300. Remote access is available by Teleconference. DIAL IN: 1-888-579-9842 PARTICIPANT PIN CODE: 24 56 79 67 #

For information, contact : <u>Rochelle.Baker@med.mun.ca</u> 709-777-8990

### YOU ARE WELCOME.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Centre for Applied Health Research has established several Research Exchange Groups that bring together university researchers, health professionals, decision makers and members of the public who share a common interest in key areas under the domain of applied health research. All are welcome to join. Current groups include: Autism; Aging, Bullying & Health; Chronic Disease, Eating Disorders & Body Image; Mental Health, Rural, Northern & Aboriginal Health; Women's Health/Gender & Health.

Research Exchange Groups meet regularly to discuss research projects, to hold seminars and lectures featuring researchers in their respective fields, to explore collaborative partnerships and to discover funding and partnership opportunities for further research.

We are seeking members for the following potential groups and we would welcome your participation:

- The Arts and Health
- Thrombosis, blood disease and immune disorders
- Cancer
- HIV/Sexual Health
- Inter-professional education and collaborative practice

To join, or to learn more, please contact: Rochelle.Baker@med.mun.ca

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