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Dear Members

We are thrilled to announce that after a successful 2-year pilot project the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) has just signed a 5-year agreement with the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) to conduct surveillance on 5 chronic diseases (COPD, depression, diabetes, hypertension, and osteoarthritis) using various EMRs. Family physician offices working within nine (9) local practice-based/primary care research networks (PBRNs/PCRNs) across Canada form the Canadian Primary Care Sentinel Surveillance Network (CPCSSN). Data extracted from participating sentinel practices is de-identified, standardized, and transferred to a national central repository at Queen's University where analysis is conducted in collaboration with the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI). CPCSSN fully expects further studies to focus on additional primary health care indicators as it expands across the country in this joint public health and primary health care initiative. The project, chaired by Dr. Rick Birtwhistle, Director of the Centre for Studies in Primary Care at Queen's University and managed by Anita Lambert Lanning, Research Information Coordinator of the CFPC's National Research System (NaReS), is Canada's first multi-disease electronic surveillance system.

Currently participating regional primary care practice-based research networks (PCPBRNs) include: the Centre for Studies in Primary Care (Queen's University); the Alberta Family Practice Research Network (University of Alberta); the Atlantic Practice Based Research Network (Memorial University, Newfoundland); the Maritime Family Practice Research Network (Dalhousie University); the DELPHI (Deliver Primary Healthcare Information) Project (University of Western Ontario); the North Toronto Research Network (University of Toronto); Q-net - CSSSL site (Université de Montréal); the Manitoba Primary Care Research Network (University of Manitoba); and the Southern Alberta Primary Care Research Network (University of Calgary).

Collegially

The Section of Researchers' Executive
The College of Family Physicians of Canada



What issues most impact physicians in delivering quality health care?

What resources do physicians need to improve health care to patients?

The 2010 National Physician Survey (NPS) is underway. Have your say!

Canada's largest survey is an important opportunity for current and future physicians to inform and influence key decision makers about their profession and patients. Your responses will help identify priorities and interests of Canada's doctors and bring clarity to important issues including health human resources, changing scopes of practice, barriers and access to health care.

A collaborative effort of The College of Family Physicians of Canada, Canadian Medical Association, and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, the 2010 NPS builds on successful surveys in 2004 and 2007.

For more information on the 2010 NPS, visit www.nationalphysiciansurvey.ca.

New for 2010 - Enter to win \$1,000!

Those who receive an invitation to complete the questionnaire (in paper or online) can enter a draw for \$1,000!

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WONCA 15-by-2015 Petition

WONCA (the World Conference of Family Doctors) is hoping to get 1000 signatures from the NAPCRG and primary health care community in support of its 15-by-2015 petition. WONCA suggests "that by 2015, 15% of the budgets of vertical disease-oriented programmes be invested in strengthening well-coordinated, integrated local primary healthcare systems and that this percentage would increase over time."

WONCA says the majority of the health funding to developing countries goes towards disease-specific projects (vertical

programming) rather than addressing a broader range of health problems through comprehensive primary health care (horizontal programming).

WONCA suggests that this [type of funding](#) has limited effectiveness and contributes to the weakening of primary health care systems in countries receiving such aid. To sign the petition, [go here](#).

NAPCRG is working with WONCA to change the perception of primary health care delivery and research. The NAPCRG community is creating more and more knowledge guided by patients and their needs, using innovative new methods of enquiry and governed by the principles of science. WONCA is advocating at the highest levels for the place of family doctors in contributing to effective primary health care delivery.

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Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Gender Health Invites Volunteer Members for New Speaker Bureau

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research [Institute of Gender and Health](#) (CIHR IGH) welcomes the involvement and collaboration of the gender, sex, and health research community in a range of IGH activities across Canada including Café Scientifiques, movie screenings, and satellite sessions at major conferences, among others. As part of its knowledge translation portfolio, the IGH has launched and invites membership in the IGH "speaker bureau", a voluntary group of individuals willing to participate and contribute to IGH events as presenters, facilitators, or in other public engagement roles. To join the IGH speaker bureau, please email Stephanie Coen, IGH knowledge translation manager, at scoen@exchange.ubc.ca, indicating: (1) your complete contact information, (2) key areas of scientific expertise, (3) any suggestions for particular types of events that you would like to see the IGH get involved within your area.

Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Population and Public Health - Canadian Public Health Association: Call for Population and Public Health Research Milestones

Full applications must be submitted electronically by: **June 30th, 2010**

On the occasion of its 100th anniversary, the Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) has identified 12 [public health achievements](#) in an effort to celebrate the contributions of public health from a Canadian perspective and to make our public health history more

visible. To complement this effort, the CIHR-Institute of Population and Public Health (CIHR-IPPH) is partnering with the Canadian Public Health Association to initiate a **call for milestones in public health research** that have significantly contributed to the public's health in Canada and globally. These milestones in research will be published on the CPHA website, the IPPH newsletter and website as well as also featured during CPHA's anniversary month (September 2010) and in a special insert in the Canadian Journal of Public Health. Please visit the [website](#) for more information.

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Canada joins international network providing free access to health research
PubMed Central Canada puts latest Canadian health research at fingertips of researchers

The flow of information and ideas amongst researchers is a fundamental element in turning knowledge into discoveries that will address the health challenges of tomorrow. Thanks to the newly launched [PubMed Central Canada](#) (PMC Canada), Canadian researchers can now contribute to a growing, searchable digital archive of published Canadian health research. Click here to read the full [news release](#).

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*** Mental Health Commission of Canada Child & Youth Advisory Committee: Child & Youth Mental Health Knowledge Mobilization Project - Request for Proposals**

Deadline: June 30, 2010

The *purpose* of this project is to create a knowledge mobilization (KM) process and products to serve as the basis of a broad KM initiative for child and youth mental health, with a goal to promote positive mental health and support de-stigmatization. This initial project will provide ideas for a forum geared to youth as the end-user. The *objective* for this request for proposals (RFP) is to determine the most effective methods/approaches (e.g. look and feel) for a technology based product or process to mobilize knowledge in child & youth mental health with the target audience primarily being children and youth. To become involved in this [Child & Youth Mental Health Project](#) please click on the link.

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Congratulations to Dr. Brian Hutchison,

a member of the Section of Researchers' Executive, who delivered the Dr. Martin J. Bass Lecture at the 2010 Trillium Primary Health Care Research Day, held recently in Toronto. The address, entitled "*Reaching for the Top in Primary Health Care: Where Does Ontario Stand?*", examined the Ontario results from the Commonwealth Fund International Health Policy Survey. The Martin J. Bass Lecture is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin J. Bass, who was the Director of the Thames Valley Family Practice Research Unit and the University of Western Ontario Centre for Studies in Family Medicine.



Conference Opportunities



Family Medicine Forum 2010

October 14 - 16, 2010 Vancouver, British Columbia

Research Day will once again be held on the Pre-conference day October 13, 2010.

Family Medicine Forum (FMF) 2010 combines the annual scientific assemblies of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC), the British Columbia College of Family Physicians (BCCFP) and the annual workshops of the CFPC's Sections of Teachers and Researchers. Family Medicine Forum (FMF) is attended by over 2000 family physicians, family medicine teachers, researchers, residents, medical students, nurses, nurse practitioners and many other health care professionals every year. FMF is the premier family medicine conference in Canada - our delegates come not only for the great variety of CME offered, but for the opportunity to network with their colleagues and friends from across the country.

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*** 38th North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) Annual Meeting**

November 13 - 17, 2010 Seattle, WA

Plan to join your colleagues in Seattle, Washington, for the [2010 NAPCRG Annual Meeting](#) in Seattle, Washington. The conference site is the Westin Seattle, which boasts a twin cylindrical tower design-a signature landmark in the Emerald City's skyline-featuring panoramic views of the Puget Sound, Space Needle, Cascade Mountains, and Seattle's cityscape. Mark your calendars for a productive meeting, and leave some time to see beautiful Seattle and its surroundings while you're there!

Website Info-to-Go

The Student Connection - Connexion Étudiante

The [Student Connection - Connexion Étudiante \(SC-CÉ\)](#) is a national network for students interested in aging issues. The SC-CÉ is organized by student members of the [Canadian Association on Gerontology - Association canadienne de gérontologie \(CAG-ACG\)](#). The SC-CÉ has the following goals and objectives:

1. To support and pursue the [objectives](#) listed in the Canadian Association on Gerontology (CAG-ACG) Constitution.
2. To provide a forum:
 - for the discussion of issues of specific concern to students of aging across Canada and the world;
 - for the exchange of information concerning research, practice, grants, job openings, and other relevant items;
 - for networking with students from across Canada and from around the world.
3. To represent the interests and concerns of students at the CAG-ACG Board of Directors towards contributing to Association activities, optimizing benefits for students, and facilitating student participation.
4. To support recruitment of CAG-ACG student members towards a sense of student ownership of and future regular membership in the CAG-ACG upon graduation.

Funding Opportunities

CANADIAN INSTITUTES OF HEALTH RESEARCH FUNDING

Catalyst Grants

[Maternal Health - From Pre-conception to the Empty Nest](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-09-01

[Pilot Projects in Aging \(2010\)](#)

Registration Deadline: 2010-08-31

Operating Grant

[Disease Management](#)

Registration Deadline: 2010-09-17

[Maternal Health - From Pre-conception to the Empty Nest](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-09-01

[Programmatic Grants in Health and Health Equity](#)

Application Deadline (Letter of Intent): 2010-07-02

Other

[CIHR Café Scientifique Program \(2010\)](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-06-25

[CIHR President's Fund \(2009-2010\)](#)

Deadline: Various

[Clinical Investigatorship Award \(2010\)](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-07-02

Proof of Principle

[Phase 1 \(2009-2010\)](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-09-01

[Phase II \(2009-2010\)](#)

Application Deadline: 2010-09-01

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ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Students and Trainees

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)

Institute of Aging (IA)

Age+ Prize

Application deadline is **October 1, 2010**

The CIHR Institute of Aging [Age+ Prize](#) recognizes excellence in research on aging carried out by emerging Canadian scholars and the resulting publications. Awards are for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and residents from all disciplines, conducting research in aging. The award is valued at \$1,000.

Travel Awards

Deadline for Applications: July 15, October 15

Through the [travel awards](#) for trainees the Canadian Institutes of Health Research - Institute of Aging (CIHR-IA) seeks to encourage networking and exchange of ideas among emerging scholars working within the CIHR-IA [priority research topics](#). In particular, CIHR-IA would like to encourage interdisciplinary dialogue and cross-disciplinary exposure of research on aging and seniors' issues. This could be accomplished through the participation of trainees in aging at academic meetings of related disciplines, or participation of currently unaffiliated researchers (i.e. outside the field of aging) in conferences, meetings and symposia on aging. To meet these ends, CIHR-IA provides travel awards for Master's and Doctoral students, and Fellows to present their own research at a conference, workshop or symposium.

Recognition Prize in Research in Aging

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research Institute of Aging (CIHR IA) [Recognition Prize in Research in Aging](#) consists of a supplement to the research allowance component of the Doctoral Research, Fellowship and New Investigator Awards. These supplements are given to the highest ranking candidate conducting research on aging within each of the above CIHR Research Personnel Awards competitions. No specific application is required for this prize.

Réjean Hébert Prize in Geriatric Research

[CIHR IA Réjean Hébert Prize in Geriatric Research](#): This prize is awarded for the best scientific presentation by a Medical Resident in a core (or primary) residency training program at the Canadian Geriatric Society Annual Scientific Meeting. No specific application is required for this prize. link to [CGS Annual Scientific Meeting](#).

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* available in English only.

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