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Centre for Indigenous Research
and Community-Led Engagement

CIRCLE e-news – May 19th, 2017 Edition

This week's updates - all in one place!

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Latest headlines

Nalcor blamed after 50 people airlifted out of Labrador community after flooding

In a media release, the provincially owned corporation Nalcor Energy which is responsible for building the multi-billion dollar project stated that mother nature is the problem, not the dam.

[Full article](#)

Nunavut woman says MMIWG inquiry like going through court again

"I would say it has retraumatized us," said Janet Brewster. "It's bringing up those old traumas. The hardest thing is really not knowing. We're not being given the opportunity to fully understand."

[Full article](#)

Canadian law can learn from Indigenous law

"First Nations' laws are often connected with the land, so there is a way that the law speaks to how we are relating to that land in ways that create sustainability and look to the health of the ecosystems around us," says Borrows, the Canada Research Chair in Indigenous law at UVic.

[Full article](#)

Caitlin Potts' unsolved case: Do you recognize her in this video?

The RCMP now suspect foul play in the mysterious disappearance of 27-year-old Caitlin Potts.

[Full article](#)

Food insecurity in Nunavut 'should be considered a national crisis,' expert says

Food insecurity in Nunavut "needs remedial action," say the authors of a new report who call for a national food policy.

[Full article](#)

Stand for Truth Campaign

On May 25th, 2017, we will be appearing before the Supreme Court of Canada to advocate for the preservation of the IAP records, which are the largest collection of first hand accounts of residential schools. These records are due to be destroyed in 15 years. In order to appear at the Supreme Court, we must raise \$50,000 by May 25th 2017 to cover the cost of legal fees.

[More information](#)

New Chair of the Department of Indigenous Education, UVic

We welcome Dr. Jean-Paul Restoule as Professor of Indigenous Education— and Chair of the new Department of Indigenous Education— effective September 1 2017. Dr. Restoule is a member of the Dokis First Nation (Anishinaabe) and will be joining us from OISE, where he was Professor of Leadership, Adult and Higher Education. He is an accomplished and highly respected scholar committed to bringing Indigenous worldviews to their rightful place in mainstream discourse in education and beyond.

CIRCLE events

2017 Learning Institute: Reconciling Indigenous Research Relationships

Innovative, educational and inspiring, the 2017 Learning Institute will offer students, researchers, trainees, community and organizational representatives the opportunity to work together to catalyze the reconciliation of Indigenous research relationships within BC. Hotel block available at group rate until May 15, 2017!

Registration now open! Payment options will be available soon!

Bursary application available, subject to review and funding.

Location: First Peoples' House, Ceremonial Hall (UVic)

Date: June 27-30, 2017

[More information](#)

Events & training calendar

Xi Xanya Dzam – Those who are amazing at making things, Bill Reid Gallery

Location: Vancouver, BC

Dates: April 5 – September 4, 2017

[More information](#)

Walk 4 the Salish Sea

Location: Tsawout First Nations gym

Dates: May 25, 2017 at 6-9pm

NGGS in Indigenous Health Research

Location: Vancouver, BC (Musqueam Territory)

Dates: May 26-28, 2017

New Investigators Meeting in Indigenous Health Research

Location: Vancouver, BC (Musqueam Territory)

Dates: May 28-30, 2017

Dollars and Sense: Financial Preparation for Post-Secondary Education

Location: webinar (UBC Learning Circle)

Date: May 30, 2017 at 10:00 – 11:30am

[More information](#)

**Francis Dick, Kwakwaka'wakw Artist
Art Gallery & "Spirits of the Forest" Mask Dance**

Location: University of Victoria (FPH and Farquhar Auditorium)

Date: June 10, 2017; starts at 6:30

[More information](#)

NAISA Conference 2017

Location: Vancouver, BC (Musqueam Territory)

Dates: June 22-24, 2017

[More information](#)

Youth Unleashing Power 2017

Location: Lake Cowichan, BC

Dates: June 25-29, 2017

[More information](#)

Innovative Young Indigenous Leaders Symposium

Location: Vancouver, BC

Dates: June 26 – 30, 2017

[More information](#)

2017 Aboriginal Health Sciences Pre-Admissions Workshop

Location: UBC Vancouver Campus

Dates: July 12-14, 2017

[More information](#)

World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education 2017

Location: Toronto, ON

Dates: July 24-29, 2017

[More information](#)

2017 World Indigenous Peoples' Conference on Viral Hepatitis

Location: Alaska Pacific University, Anchorage, Alaska

Dates: August 8-9, 2017

[More information](#)

Sites of Survivance: A global symposium on Indigenous street gangs

Location: Calgary, AB

Date: August 23, 2017

[More information](#)

S'TENISTOLW Indigenous Adult Education Conference 2017

Location: Victoria, BC

Dates: August 23-25, 2017

[More information](#)

CAAN 2017 Annual General Meeting

Location: Calgary, AB

Dates: September 25-28, 2017

[More information](#)

The 12th Biannual Indigenous Roots of Expressive Arts Therapy (IEATA) International Conference

Location: Winnipeg, MB

Dates: October 4-8, 2017

[More information](#)

Funding opportunities

Operating Grant: CIHR New Investigator Grants in Maternal, Reproductive, Child & Youth Health

This funding opportunity to support New Investigators in Maternal, Reproductive, Child and Youth Health is a collaboration between seven CIHR institutes. The goal of the program is to build research capacity in maternal, reproductive, child and youth health by funding operating grants to new investigators. The program will fund research across the four pillars (biomedical, clinical, health systems services, and population health) that has the potential to have a significant impact on maternal, reproductive, child and youth health outcomes according to the mandates of the participating CIHR institutes. Ultimately, the program aims to strengthen Canada's capacity and knowledge to respond to challenges and needs by providing important early career development support to researchers in these fields. IAPH will provide funding to applicants undertaking maternal, reproductive, child and/or youth health research relevant to the institute's mandate.

Application deadline: May 23, 2017

[More information](#)

Fellowship: Health System Impact Fellowships (CIHR)

The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are to: support impact-oriented career paths and elevate the career readiness of individuals with a PhD in HSPR or related fields by supporting experiential learning opportunities in Canada outside of the traditional scholarly environment, enriched competency development (e.g., leadership, project management), and national cohort participation; expand and enrich the traditional post-doctoral training environment by engaging health system and related organizations in preparing a cadre of promising PhD graduates for successful careers; provide health system and related

organizations with direct opportunities to realize and harness the benefits that PhD-trained individuals can bring to such organizations for improved decision-making. In order to be considered relevant for CIHR-IAPH funding, applications must align with its mandate and specific Health System Impact Fellowship objectives, as outlined in the Internal Collaborator section.

Deadline: May 23, 2017

[More information](#)

Team Grant: Healthy Life Trajectories Initiative (HeLTI) – Canada (CIHR)

The goal of HeLTI is to generate evidence that will inform national policy and decision-making in Canada and the participating countries for the improvement of health and the prevention of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), with an emphasis on obesity, cardiovascular disease and diabetes throughout the lifespan. Given that both maternal and paternal health have transgenerational effects on development and health of offspring, this funding opportunity also aims to develop gender-responsive evidence for interventions and policies aimed at the needs of men, women, boys and girls. The engagement of multiple countries will promote value-added international collaborations through a multifaceted, multidisciplinary approach to the problem by spanning basic science to public health research and policy, which will position the initiative to have significant long-term impacts on global health. The specific objectives of this funding opportunity are to: Develop a new linked DOHaD intervention-risk cohort composed of a representative population, including recruitment of women both preconception and during pregnancy, their infants, as well as the fathers; Develop and conduct implementation, as well as evaluate implemented interventions for, and with, women and men preconception, during pregnancy and for infants during the postnatal period that are designed to substantially reduce the prevalence of NCDs; Conduct evaluation and mechanistic studies that will explain the effect of the selected interventions on outcomes, including economic analyses of interventions; As part of the international HeLTI initiative, develop international multi-country, multi-disciplinary, cross-site collaborations that will provide a learning platform and training environment for new investigators and/or early career stage researchers, support data interoperability and improve harmonization practices; Generate evidence that will guide policy and other decision-making, and identify opportunities for future research and interventions as part of a longer-term strategy for NCD prevention; Improve health outcomes, particularly related to women and men's health preconception, during pregnancy, early life and childhood by targeting early exposures and early development.

Application deadline: June 13, 2017

[More information](#)

Team Grant: HIV/AIDS Comorbidities Prevention and Healthy Living

The relevant research areas for this funding opportunity are: HIV and Aging; HIV, Mental Health and Neurological Conditions; Co-morbidities associated with HCV or other Sexually Transmitted and Blood-borne Infections (STBBIs) in people living with HIV/AIDS. Note: Research may include domestic and international aspects. However, the focus of the project must be on the disease/condition within the context of HIV/AIDS in Canada. Applicants applying to the Indigenous populations funding pool must have at least one knowledge user that self-identifies

as either First Nations, Inuit or Métis or provide evidence of Indigenous-living experiences (i.e. demonstrating close relationships and experience with First Nations, Inuit or Métis people such as living and/or working an extended period of time (e.g., 5 years or more) with an Indigenous community). The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$12,750,000, enough to fund approximately 5 grants. This amount may increase if additional funding partners participate. The maximum amount per grant is \$500,000 per year for up to five years for a total of \$2,500,000, per grant. Of this \$12,750,000: \$2,500,000 is available to fund an application that focuses exclusively on First Nations, Inuit, Métis and/or Urban Indigenous populations. Developmental grants of up to \$25,000 per grant may be offered, if requested, to successful applications at the Letter of Intent stage. The total amount available at the LOI stage is \$250,000. Of this \$250,000: \$50,000 is available to fund applications that focus exclusively on First Nations, Inuit, Métis and/or Urban Indigenous populations.

Phase 1 deadline: June 20, 2017

Phase 2 deadline: January 23, 2018

[More information](#)

Team Grant: HIV Implementation Science – Component 2

The CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Initiative and its partners have developed the Implementation Science for the Prevention of HIV, Hepatitis C (HCV) and Sexually Transmitted and Blood-Borne Infections Initiative in order to address the gap that exists in the application of evidence into health policy and programs. The goal of the initiative is to reduce the incidence of HIV, Hepatitis C (HCV) and other sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections (STBBIs) within and across key populations in Canada. The submitted project must demonstrate specific relevance to the prevention of HIV. Component 1 – Adaptation Grants: nine grants were funded to support the development of multi-sectoral teams, to identify promising or effective interventions and develop multi-faceted programs through intervention adaptation. Component 2 – Implementation Grants: will support teams to facilitate the multi-year investigation of program implementation and/or scale-up across multiple heterogeneous communities. These teams must meaningfully engage people living with HIV, HCV or other STBBIs, decision makers, community leaders and researchers from different research disciplines. Together, these multi-sectoral teams will identify target populations and focus on the identification, adaptation and equitable scale-up of promising or effective interventions across diverse settings/contexts for the prevention of HIV. A webinar will be held on March 21st from 2:30 to 3:30 EDT for this Funding Opportunity via WebEx. Please send request for more information to the attention of the CIHR HIV/AIDS Research Initiative at HIVAIDS-VIHSIDA@cihr-irsc.gc.ca.

Application deadline: August 22, 2017

[More information](#)

Catalyst Grant: HIV/AIDS Community-Based Research

In the Indigenous stream, applicants are advised to focus on indigenous populations and in particular, Indigenous knowledge systems and Indigenous-living experience. Indigenous-living experience is a quality demonstrated by individuals who are closely connected with First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities. Examples of how applicants applying to the Indigenous stream may wish to address this focus within their application include: prioritizing First Nations,

Inuit and Métis Peoples and communities in their research agenda; promoting cultural safety and appropriateness of researchers working in Indigenous health; adding value to the research through culturally relevant analysis of results; promoting equity and build capacity of Indigenous trainees and researchers in Indigenous Health. For non-Indigenous researchers applying to the Indigenous stream, Indigenous-living experience may be acquired through special circumstances such as close relationships and experience with Indigenous People, living an extended period of time (e.g., 5 years or more) on a reserve, in an urban environment such as a Friendship Centre, in a Métis or Northern community, or through similar experience with other Indigenous Peoples – e.g., Pacific Islanders, or South American Indigenous Peoples. Application deadline: October 3, 2017

[More information](#)

Research Proposal Development Program (RPDP)

The AHA Centre has the Research Proposal Development Program (RPDP). The purpose of the RPDP is to assist communities, organizations, and students interested in carrying out a research project, but who do not have the resources (human and/or financial) to prepare a proposal that will be submitted to a grant competition: CIHR or the NEAR Centers, for example.

[More information here.](#) No deadline.

Funding Opportunities for Indigenous Students

[Aboriginal Scholarship Guide](#): Provides links to scholarship opportunities.

[Emergency Bursary Funds](#): for Indigenous Students at UVic.

[Financial Aid](#): for Indigenous students at UVic.

Health Sciences Association of British Columbia Aboriginal Bursary Award: [More information](#)

Post-Secondary Education (Indspire)

(full-time studies in a post-secondary education program)

Deadlines: February 1, June 1, November 1 2017 at 11:59 p.m. PT

[Application form](#)

[More Information](#)

For more funding opportunities:

<http://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/funding-financement/deadlines-limités-eng.aspx>

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/193.html>

Job opportunities

Behavioural Health Consultant (Crisis Team), Opaskwayak Health Authority, Beatrice Wilson Health Centre

Location: Opaskwayak, MB

Deadline: open until filled

For more information, contact Carol Buchberger at carol.buchberger@ocnhealth.com

Health Care Aide, Opaskwayak Health Authority, Beatrice Wilson Health Centre

Location: Opaskwayak, MB

Deadline: open until filled

For more information, contact Carol Buchberger at carol.buchberger@ocnhealth.com

RN Case Coordinator (Disability Integrated Care Team), Opaskwayak Health Authority, Beatrice Wilson Health Centre

Location: Opaskwayak, MB

Deadline: open until filled

For more information, contact Carol Buchberger at carol.buchberger@ocnhealth.com

Chief Executive Officer, Meno Ya Win Health Centre

Location: Sioux Lookout, Ontario

Deadline: unlisted

[More information](#)

Aboriginal Research Assistant, McCreary Centre Society

Location: Vancouver, BC

Deadline: open until filled

[More information](#)

Chief Financial Officer, Kitsumkalum Band

Location: Terrace, BC

Deadline: Open until filled; posted May 1

[More information](#)

Administrative Assistant, Children's and Women's Health Centre, Aboriginal Health, BC Women's Hospital

Location: Vancouver, BC

Deadline: open until filled; start date May 23, 2017

[More information](#)

Medical Assistant (Disability Integrated Care Team), Opaskwayak Health Authority, Beatrice Wilson Health Centre

Location: Opaskwayak, MB

Deadline: May 26, 2017 at 4pm

For more information, contact Carol Buchberger at carol.buchberger@ocnhealth.com

Quality & Safety Clerk, Opaskwayak Health Authority, Beatrice Wilson Health Centre

Location: Opaskwayak, MB

Deadline: May 26, 2017 at 4pm

For more information, contact Carol Buchberger at carol.buchberger@ocnhealth.com

Assistant Teaching Professor (2 year limited term, limited hire), School of Public Administration, Specifically for the Diploma in Indigenous Community Development and Governance Program, UVic

Location: Victoria, BC

Deadline: June 15, 2017 application review begins

For more information, contact Dr. Lindsay Tedds, Interim Director School of Public Administration, University of Victoria, at padirect@uvic.ca

Community Liaison Nurse – Indigenous Complex Care

Location: Vancouver, BC

Deadline: open until filled

[More information](#)

For more job listings and opportunities see:

<http://www.aboriginalcareers.ca/>

<http://www.ammsa.com/community-access/career-opportunities>

<http://www.aboriginalfutures.com/>

<http://nationtalk.ca/jobs>

<http://www.fnha.ca/about/work-with-us>

<http://www.amik.ca/>

[Resources & unique opportunities](#)

Art Contest: Ignite your Spirit

Ignite Your Spirit The Representative for Children and Youth is searching for a unique logo for this year's Ignite Your Spirit Indigenous Youth Forum. The successful logo will be used on all items related to Ignite Your Spirit including promotional materials, reports and give - away items. Ignite Your Spirit seeks to amplify the voices of Indigenous young people in B.C. through youth-led forums where they are able to share their needs, experiences and ideas for improving the child-serving system within a safe and supportive environment. The upcoming Ignite Your Spirit event will be hosted on Vancouver Island for Indigenous youth in care and in out- of- care options. The logo should represent a resurgence of culture and history in the youth of Indigenous peoples, something we are encouraging by helping youth to reclaim their spirit through knowledge and exploration of who they are. The competition is open to First Nations, Métis and Inuit youth under the age of 30 residing on Vancouver Island.

Submission deadline: May 29, 2017

For more information, contact Brianna Dick at Brianna.Dick@rcybc.ca

2017 Aboriginal Health Sciences Pre-Admissions Workshop, UBC

This 3-day workshop is intended to help you learn about the admissions process at UBC and financing your education. Attendees will receive experience with team based learning and the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format used in many health science admissions processes.

You will get to know the UBC Vancouver campus and the people and facilities that we have to support you as you pursue your education.

Location: UBC Vancouver Campus

Deadline: May 31, 2017

[More information](#)

Call for Abstracts: Pacific Housing Research Network

The Pacific Housing Research Network facilitates multi-sectoral housing research activities across BC and fosters dialogue and collaboration among housing researchers and stakeholders to encourage the effective application of research results to housing solutions. The purpose of the Symposium is to encourage multi-sectoral networking and discussion of housing issues, to announce opportunities, to present research results, best practices and ongoing projects, to get input on research that is underway, and to determine housing research priorities. The Symposium will include research presentations, panel discussions, research posters and networking opportunities.

Submission deadline: June 2, 2017

Conference date: November 19-21, 2017

[More information](#)

Call for abstracts: Northern, Rural, and Remote Health 2017

On behalf of the Canadian Society for Circumpolar Health and the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada-Atlantic, the Scientific Committee for the Northern, Rural, and Remote Health Conference invites the submission of original work relevant to conference themes from any field of research or practice. We welcome submissions for presentations that seek to share knowledge and discuss innovative community-based programs, health service projects, models of care, approaches to teaching and learning, and research in progress. We encourage submissions from community organizations, clinicians, researchers, and graduate students and trainees.

Abstracts previously presented at regional, national or international meetings will be considered. All abstract submissions will undergo peer-review by a local review group. The Scientific Committee will allocate accepted abstracts to one of four presentation formats, based on scientific merit, relevance, and preference indicated by authors: (1) oral presentations, (2) poster presentations; (3) panel discussions; or (4) workshops.

Submission deadline: June 15, 2017

Conference date: October 6-9, 2017

[More information](#)

Art Contest: Waakebiness-Bryce Institute for Indigenous Health

Calling all Indigenous Youth Artists from 16-30 to create an image representing Indigenous health and wellbeing. \$1500 prize for image selected.

Submission deadline: June 16, 2017

[More information](#)

Call for nominations: 2017/18 Jamie Cassels Undergraduate Research Awards (JCURA) program

Awards of \$1,500 each are available for undergraduate students to undertake research under the mentorship and guidance of a faculty member and present her/his research at the annual JCURA Research Fair. In addition, the students will have the opportunity to submit for online publication their academic poster in the JCURA poster collection and/or an article in the Arbutus Review.

Nomination deadline: June 30, 2017

[More information](#)

Victim Services and Assistance for Families of Missing or Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls – Justice Canada Victims Fund

The funding is intended to support the design and delivery of culturally-responsive, trauma-informed services for families of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. Eligible applicants include Indigenous community-based organizations, non-governmental community-based organizations, and provincial and territorial victim services.

[More information](#)

BC Native Women's Association (BCNWA) with Aboriginal Skills Employment and Training Strategy (ASETS)

The BC Native Women's Association (BCNWA) believes that education and training opportunities can help Indigenous women achieve economic success. The BCNWA's Aboriginal Skills Employment and Training Strategy (ASETS) Program is funded by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC). The ASETS Program takes a labour market driven approach so that all training initiatives reflect labour market needs in your community. BCNWA will sponsor the 4th year of a degree program, last year of a diploma or certificate program. Training initiatives are approved based on funding availability, individual eligibility, and labour market needs. BCNWA-ASETS can also aid with back to work assistance such as work clothes, shoes or travel such as a monthly bus pass.

[More information](#)

HIV/AIDS & long-term care video series, Casey House

The series: Compassionate Care in a Changing Landscape – HIV/AIDS and Long Term Care currently includes four 20 minute training videos. Additional videos will be added soon. Videos currently available are: HIV: A New Future – An Introduction to HIV; HIV/AIDS Bedside Care; HIV/AIDS and Cognitive Changes; HIV/AIDS: Families and Networks of Support.

[More information](#)

Call for abstracts: Early Years Conference 2018

The 2018 conference will continue to lead the field of professional development in early childhood development. Topics will include considerations and practices in work with young children and their families, as we adapt to our rapidly changing society.

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