FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD

Season’s Greetings to everyone! Autumn passed quickly, but aren’t we enjoying its extension into December!

Dr. Patricia Kaufert begins her retirement as of January 1, 2012. We are pleased that she will be continuing as a Senior Scholar. Thank you, Pat, from everyone whom you have touched over the years. We wish you a long, healthy and happy life!

Welcome to Marcia Anderson DeCoteau, Melanie MacKinnon, Eunice Roulette and Yvette Emerson in the Section of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Health. Read on and meet the CHS graduate students.

The Faculty of Medicine is continuing on its road of community engagement with Winnipeg’s inner city. A formal announcement about a partnership with Hugh John Macdonald School will be made soon. The next step involves developing our relationship and finding projects we can work on together.

This year The Department is supporting Christmas feasts and activities at Pinkham School, Wellington School, Rossbrook House, Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Pancake Breakfast fundraiser and the community event of Lighting Up the Avenue on Selkirk Ave.

Enjoy your family and friends over the holiday break! Best wishes to all in 2012!

Sharon M. Macdonald, MD, FRCPC
Department Head

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join me in welcoming the following people to the Section of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Health and the JA Hildes Northern Medical Unit.

- **Dr. Marcia Anderson DeCoteau** is Section Head, Section of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Health.
- **Melanie MacKinnon** is the Director of Programs and Administration, Section of First Nations, Metis and Inuit Health spending the majority of her time in administration of the NMU.
- **Dr. Yvette Emerson** is Associate Medical Director in the NMU.
- **Eunice Roulette** is the NMU Administrative Assistant –Finance.

Continuing on in their work and as part of the NMU leadership team are Dr. Ken Hahlweg and Dr. Anne Durcan. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Catherine Cook and Dr. Bruce Martin for their contributions to the Department and the Section.

There have some recent changes in the leadership in Community Health Sciences in the undergraduate program. I would
like to thank Dr. Joel Kettner for his administrative contributions over the last ten years and for his teaching that extends over 2 decades. Joel has stepped down as Director, CHS, UGME effective August 31, 2011. Joel continues to be involved as a teacher and a tutorial leader. Effective September 1, 2011, Dr. Tim Hilderman took on the role of Director. Tim continues his work as Director, Residency Program in Public Health and Preventive Medicine and also works in public health in the Interlake Region.

A big thank you to Dr. Allen Kraut who led the Population Health course for the last time this autumn. Allen is moving on to work with the Deanery on setting examinations.

Joanna Asadoorian on July 1, 2011, was appointed Director, School of Dental Hygiene, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Manitoba.

Patricia (Trish) Caetano has recently been appointed Lead Epidemiologist in the Public Health branch of Manitoba Health. In this role, Trish provides senior scientific leadership – including analysis of information, priority-setting, planning and reporting - to the Public Health and Primary Health Care Division as well as to the Office of the Chief Provincial Public Health Officer and other divisions in the department as appropriate. Another key role will be linking with other research and academic bodies. Trish obtained her PhD from the University of Manitoba in 2005, followed by post-doctoral training at UBC. She has been with Manitoba Health since 2007.

AWARDS

Congratulations to Drs. B. Postl, S. Moses and N. Roos, who were inducted into the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS). What an honour for each of you! Well deserved!

Afifi T. Manitoba Health Research Council Operating (2011-2013) and Establishment Award (2011-2014). Tracie Afifi received the 3-year MHRC Establishment Award for her population-based research in two important areas of public health: family violence and problem gambling. She also received a 2-year MHRC operating grant for her research on substantiated reports of child maltreatment in Canada.


Milton Tenenbein received the American Academy of Pediatrics Jim Seidel Distinguished Service Award “Recognizes an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the field of pediatric emergency medicine.”

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

A number of activities have highlighted the Faculty of Medicine in community engagement with the inner city. They are:

1. The Department of Community Health Sciences will lead further development of the faculty’s outreach. There are many things going on and you will hear more.
2. The Biomedical Youth Program led by Dr. Francis Amara has been given space in the faculty to accommodate its activities. More later!
3. Dennis Bayomi and friends continue with the Basketball for Kids initiative and the Computer Club with local area schools and IRCOM.
4. The CHS Student Council is leading activities around support at Christmas
5. A report about engaging with Winnipeg’s Inner City was released by President David Barnard on October 25 with a celebration at the Faculty of Medicine. On the project team from this faculty were Elder Margaret Lavallee, Sharon Macdonald, Noralou Roos, and Aynslie Hinds. Elder Mae Louise Campbell, Kim Clare and Debra DiUbaldo participated from the Faculty of Social Work. Elizabeth ready and Joannie Halas represented Kinesiology and Recreation Management.

Full report- UM Connecting to Kids: http://umanitoba.ca/media/connecting_to_kids.pdf.

Appendix G with Executive Summary and the UM community engagement activities: http://umanitoba.ca/media/connecting_to_kids_appendix.pdf.

CAN YOU HELP?

The Inner City Kids’ Computer Club, a project coordinated by staff at the Bannatyne campus has an ongoing need for used/surplus PCs. The club operates as an after-school activity at several sites and one site in particular could use donated Windows-based PCs. IRCOM (Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba) would like to give computers to families in their apartment complex for children to do computer club projects and school homework. IRCOM can provide a letter for UM Asset Management/Disposal to ensure proper process is followed in the case of donating UM-owned equipment. Any donated computers should be in working order and not more than four or five years old. For more information or to donate a personal or UM-owned computer, please contact Dennis Bayomi.

GRADUATE PROGRAM

New Graduate Students in CHS
Eighteen new students have joined us in autumn 2011. Each has been asked to provide a short bio-sketch to help us get to know them.

New to the PhD Program are....

Claudyne Chevrier completed a Bachelor in Anthropology at Université de Montréal (2008) and a Masters in Community Health (2011) in the Social and Preventive Medicine Department of the same university. Her specific interests lie in the interactions between social determinants of health and vulnerable groups and the accessibility to quality health care, particularly in relations to gender inequalities. For her Master’s thesis, she completed 4-months of field work in Mysore, India, in a sex workers organization focusing on the HIV/AIDS-related care and support services that they organize for their members. She hopes to pursue her interests further in the course of her PhD.

Elizabeth Cooper is a new PhD student in Community Health Sciences. She is interested in risk communication, health promotion and risk perception around STI transmission within marginalized communities, particularly indigenous communities, around the world. Elizabeth holds a MA degree in Native Studies. She has extensive research skills as she worked full-time within Community Health Sciences as a research coordinator from 2009-2011.

Yang Cui, new PhD student, obtained a MA in Economics from the University of Manitoba. She also completed an MSc in
Community of Health Science from the University of Manitoba in 2011. She has experience working with both local and national health agencies. For her PhD study, she will investigate the equity effects and long-term health consequences of National Child Benefit on children in low-income Canadian families.

**Elsabé du Plessis** completed a BA Hons degree in Psychology from Stellenbosch University (South Africa). Elsabé then moved to Canada and obtained her M.Sc in Community Health Sciences at the University of Manitoba. During this time she spent two years in Uganda completing her research under Dr. Allan Ronald. Most recently she worked as a Project Manager at the National Collaborating Centre for Infectious Diseases. Elsabé is undertaking her PhD under the guidance of Dr. Robert Lorway and Dr. Sharon Bruce. She has many interests but her research interests are in the areas of HIV prevention with vulnerable populations, using qualitative and mixed methods approaches and knowledge translation.

**Dessalegn Y. Melesse** is currently a PhD student. He is interested in public health research and currently involved in research projects at the Centre for Global Public Health (CGPH). He graduated with an MSc in mathematics from the University of Manitoba, Postgraduate Diploma from African University of Cape Town at African Institute for Mathematical Sciences, South Africa, and Bachelor of Education from Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia. He is a professional teacher educator and taught at Bahir Dar University (as an assistant lecturer) and a high school in Ethiopia. He had won many awards including the Blue Nile Academic Award in his academic career. Being a PhD student at the department is a great opportunity for a career in public health that Dessalegn has been looking for, for a long time.

**Theresa Sullivan** obtained her BSc in occupational therapy from the University of Western Ontario and her M.A. in Health Education from Columbia University in New York. She has worked in Canada, Australia and the United States in clinical, management and faculty positions with a primary focus in the areas of adult health and education. Theresa is a faculty member in the Department of Occupational Therapy and has worked at the University of Manitoba for 18 years. She is pursuing her PhD in Individual Interdisciplinary Studies (Community Health Sciences, Education & Psychology) under the supervision of Dr. Michelle Driedger. Theresa is interested in exploring the role of social media in knowledge translation, and in the provision of education and support to individuals living with chronic episodic health conditions.

**New to the MSc Program are....**

**Shivoan Balakumar** is originally from Winnipeg. He has a B.Sc undergraduate degree from the University of Victoria with a combined major in Biology and Psychology. His introduction into the field of research was at The BC Centre of Excellence in HIV/AIDS where he assisted in a study involving barriers to adherence of anti-retrovirals among marginalized populations. Since moving back to Winnipeg he became heavily engaged in comprehensive social programming for inner city youth. He’d like to eventually undertake research addressing many of the social determinants of health specifically for vulnerable and at-risk youth, and is “very excited about being a part of this department!”

**Kirsten Bourque** has a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Nursing degree from the University of Manitoba. She worked as a
nurse for 6 years, most recently for the Northern Medical Unit in First Nations Communities in Manitoba. Now in the M.Sc. program she has interests in chronic disease, the determinants of health and health care delivery.

Jennifer McArthur is a recent graduate of the Psychology Honours program at the University of Manitoba where she researched goal conflict pertaining to physical activity. She has strong interests surrounding the health of our aging population and intends to conduct research on this topic for her M.Sc thesis. This past summer she worked at the Center on Aging which allowed her to become more familiar with research concerning our aging communities. She’s looking forward to doing my M.Sc in the department, as well as being part of the WRTC program.

Leigh McClarty joined the MSc program in Community Health Sciences this year, after being an Occasional Student in last year. She has a background in the basic sciences, having completed a BSc (Hons) in Microbiology at the University of Manitoba in 2010. Her Masters work will be with the Centre for Global Public Health, and she is particularly interested in looking at barriers to accessing to health care and behavioural risk factors for transmission of infectious disease.

Charles Paulson has joined our MSc program.

Pamela Skrabek has joined our MSc program. After an undergraduate degree in biochemistry, she completed a medical degree at the University of Manitoba (UM Medicine Class of 2005). Following this she trained in internal medicine and subsequently hematology through UM postgraduate residency programs. Her main area of clinical interest is lymphoma, and is presently working in this area to develop further sub-specialty expertise.

She has entered our M.Sc. program with the goal of enhancing the "skills set" that she brings to an academic career.

New to the MPH Program are ....

Oluwatomi Adelani is entering our MPH program with a Bachelor of Science and Masters degree in Demography and Social Statistics from the Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria. She has interests in population health with a focus on Women’s Reproductive Health and Children’s Health. Her Master’s thesis was based on the effects of women’s socio-economic status and religious beliefs on the number of children ever born. She has been involved in the promotion of contraceptive use in the remote parts of Nigeria. She worked as a Program Officer for The Campaign Against Unwanted Pregnancy (CAUP) a research-based and advocacy group in Nigeria. She coordinated CAUP’s research projects on population health and women’s health issues with regards to unwanted pregnancies and contraceptive use. The CAUP’s research on the rates of unwanted pregnancies in Nigeria has been significant in bringing to light the low levels of contraceptive use in Nigeria.

Trina Arnold comes with a background in nursing, primarily in women's health. Nursing has taken her on all sorts of adventures from Nepal to India, to reserves in northern Manitoba; but mostly she’s worked here, at the Women's Hospital at HSC. Throughout these experiences, she developed a growing desire to look at women's health from a broader perspective, which has what led her to the Master of Public Health program.

Heejune Chang has joined our Post Graduate Medical Education - Public Health and Preventive Medicine program and is new also to our MPH program.
Michael Isaac is a recent addition to the Public Health and Preventive Medicine program at the third year level. He finished his training in family medicine in 2010 and has worked in the areas of HIV primary care and inner-city medicine at WISH clinic in Winnipeg. He is very much looking forward to learning public health theory and practice from his new colleagues and professors.

Tahir Rauf has moved from the Diploma in Population Health program to the masters in Public Health program.

New to the DipPH Program is ....

Emily Rimmer is a new p/t student in the Diploma in Population Health program

NEW GRADUATES

**PhD Graduate:**

**Elaine Burland.** The Evaluation of a Fall Management Program in a Personal Care Home (PCH) Population. Committee: Dr. P. Martens, Community Health Sciences; Dr. M. Brownell, Community Health Sciences; Dr. M. Doupe, Community Health Sciences; Dr. D. Fuchs, Social Work; Dr. V. Scott, School of Population and Public Health, University of British Columbia

**MSc Graduates:**

**Yang Cui.** The Economic Evaluation of Manitoba Health Lines in Chronic Disease Management of Congestive Heart Failure. Committee: Dr. E. Forget, Community Health Sciences; Dr. M. Doupe, Community Health Sciences; Dr. A. Katz, Community Health Sciences; Dr. R. Lobdell, Economics

**Darcy Heron.** Skin Infection in Early Life, Stress Response and Asthma Development in Children. Dr. A.

Kozyrskyj, Community Health Sciences; Dr. L. Lix, Community Health Sciences; Dr. B. MacNeil, Rehab Medicine

**Brett Hiebert.** Familial Aggregation of Childhood Health and the Socioeconomic Gradient of Disease: A Longitudinal Population-Based Sibling Analysis. Dr. L. Roos, Community Health Sciences; Dr. R. Tate, Community Health Sciences; Dr. D. Jutte, University of California Berkeley, School of Public Health

**Sheila Novak.** Women, Migration and Care Work: Filipino Health Care Aides in Canada. Dr. P. Kaufert, Community Health Sciences; Dr. V. Menec, Community Health Sciences; Dr. I. Bourgeault, CIHR Chair in Health Human Resources, Community Health Research Unit, Interdisciplinary School of Health Sciences, University of Ottawa

**Dorian Watts.** The Communication of West Nile Virus Risk. Dr. S. Michelle Driedger, Community Health Sciences; Dr. C. Jardine, Community Health Sciences; Dr. S. Sampert, Politics, University of Winnipeg

**Tim Pasma.** Assessing the Feasibility of Swine Influenza Surveillance in Manitoba. Dr. L. Elliott, Community Health Sciences; Dr. C. Green, Community Health Sciences; Dr. W. Lees, Chief Provincial Veterinary Officer, Province of Manitoba

**MPH Graduate:**

**Brent Roussin.** The Occupational Health and Safety of Welders. Dr. R. Tate, Community Health Sciences; Dr. L. Elliott, Community Health Sciences; Dr. T. Hilderman, Community Health Sciences; Field Placement Supervisor: Dr. T. Redekop, Chief Occupational Medical Officer, Workplace Safety and Health Division, Manitoba Department of Labor and Immigration
DipPH graduate: 
Susan Kenny. Dr. R. Tate, Community Health Sciences, advisor.

MANITOBA CENTRE FOR HEALTH POLICY

100th Deliverable
MCHP hit a milestone with the publication of our last deliverable, The Manitoba Immunization Study. It was the 100th report completed for Manitoba Health. The landmark publication highlights the longstanding relationship with government and MCHP’s dedication to improving the health of Manitobans.

10th Anniversary in the Brodie Centre
November 1st is also a cause for celebration. On this date 10 years ago, MCHP moved into its current location at the Brodie Centre. The move was made possible by a CFI grant that built Canada’s first data laboratory.

Funding for Health Equity Research in Manitoba Children
A new program will receive $2.0 million in funding over the next five years to tackle health and social inequity in Manitoba’s children. Dr. Patricia Martens, Professor in the university’s Department of Community Health Sciences and Director of MCHP, will lead the project that includes a team of 16 researchers. In addition, partners from nine government ministries, the Healthy Child Manitoba Initiative, all eleven regional health authorities within the province and the United Way are also involved in the research. The objective of this collaborative project is to work with those at the front line of programs and policies, to help interpret the results within context, and to then translate the research findings into evidence informed policies and programs to reduce the gap in health and wellbeing for Manitoba’s children.

RESEARCH NEWS

Between August 2010 and November 2010 Dr Michelle Driedger and her research team conducted 15 focus groups with individuals who self-identified as Metis to elicit their comments about the management of pandemic H1N1 in Manitoba. The Métis H1N1 research is one part of a larger CIHR funded grant entitled: Risk Communication and Trust in Decision-Maker Action: Lessons from First Nations, Inuit and Metis Case Studies in Canada. Focus group conversations included Métis perceptions and experiences during the 2009-2010 H1N1 pandemic, the H1N1 vaccine, other pertinent health issues as raised by participants, as well as ideas around risk, trust and confidence. We conducted 8 urban focus groups and 7 rural focus groups, speaking with 77 women and 42 men.

Each year, the Manitoba Métis Federation holds an Annual General Assembly (MMF AGA). This is the largest Métis gathering in North America and is typically attended by over 3 000 people. In September, 2011 Dr. Michelle Driedger and two graduate students (Elizabeth Cooper and Lesley Costianis) had the opportunity to participate in this event. We had a booth with various knowledge translation materials summarizing some of the key research findings of the Metis component of the project including pamphlets, colouring/activity sheets, frequently asked questions, including answers to these FAQs, posters and a 9-page plain language report. The Faculty of Medicine generously donated some swag, along with the use of a Faculty of Medicine banner. Having a public booth allowed us to speak
with both focus group participants and other Manitoba Métis about the project, answer questions and share some of the findings. We distributed over 2,000 pamphlets at the event and spoke with hundreds of people during the two day assembly.

Many people who participate in research projects never have the opportunity to hear about the results of the project or meet with the researchers after data has been collected. Our presence at the MMF AGA was a wonderful way to build community rapport, return results to the community and engage in a way that was seen by the researchers and people from the Métis community as meaningful, relevant, and overall, an enjoyable experience.

**NEW RESEARCH GRANTS**


Dart A (PI), Blydt-Hansen T, Dean H, **Martens PJ**, McGavock J, Sellers E, Wicklow B. The Improving Cardiovascular complications in youth with type 2 diabetes through Research (iCARE) Prospective Cohort Study. $274,966; 2011-2013.


**Martens PJ** (nominated PI), **Brownell M**, Katz A, Metge C, Santos R, Finlayson G, Chartier M, **Doupe M**, Fransoo R,
Hertzman C, **Raymond C, Roos L, Roos N, Smith M.** PATHS Equity for children: A program of research into what works to reduce the gap for Manitoba’s children. CIHR Operating Grant on Programmatic Grants to tackle health and health equity. $2,000,000; 2011–2016. ($100,000 from Heart & Stroke Foundation).


**Moses S, Blanchard JF, Bhattacharjee P, Ramesh BM, Mohan HL.** London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Principal Investigator, research sub-award from Department for International Development (U.K.) Research Programme Consortium, “Tackling the Structural Drivers of the HIV Epidemic”, 2011, GBP £590,000.


Polyzois D (PI), **Larcombe L, Orr P, Wells J.** Housing Renewal to Improve the Health of First Nations Residents. NSERC, $480,000 over 3 years, Awarded March 2011.

Shiff N (PI), Rosenberg A, **Lix LM.** Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation. Validation of administrative data diagnoses of chronic childhood arthritis in askatchewan.$100,000. 10/2011 – 09/2013


**NEW PUBLICATIONS**


Bayrampour H, **Heaman M.** Comparison of demographic and obstetric characteristics of Canadian primiparous women at advanced maternal age and younger age. *Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology Canada, 2011;33(8), 820-829.*


Chou K, Afifi TO. Disordered (problem and pathological) gambling and Axis I psychiatric disorders: Results from Waves 1 and 2 of the National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions. *The American Journal of Epidemiology, 2011; 173, 1289-1297.*


Raymond CB, Woloschuk DMM, Honcharik N. Attitudes and Behaviours of Hospital Pharmacists and Technicians toward Near Misses. *Healthcare Quarterly* 2011;14(3):48-56


**REPORTS/CHAPTERS/BOOKS**

The Department of Community Health Sciences Decadal Report (April 1, 2001-March 31, 2011) has been posted to the CHS website.
The “Canadian Index of Wellbeing” was released on October 20, 2011 by the Honourable Roy Romanow and Honourable Monique Begin. The CIW is a composite measure of wellbeing using many indicators from eight interconnected categories or domains. Whereas the GDP has been measuring the economic status of Canada, the CIW now complements this as a composite measure that looks much more broadly at the ‘wellbeing’ of Canada. The report, video and info graphic are available at www.ciw.ca.

Bowen S, Botting I, Roy J, Promoting Action on Equity Issues: A Knowledge to Action Handbook, October 2011 (based on research funded by a CIHR Knowledge to Action grant and in partnership with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority from 2004-2011).


**PRESENTATIONS, INVITED LECTURES, CONSULTATIONS**

**XIX Biennial Meeting of the International Society for STD Research (ISSTDR), Quebec City, Canada, July 10-13, 2011**


Moses S, Ramesh BM, Isac S, Reza-Paul S, Alary M, Bradley J,
Washington R, Beattie T, Blanchard J. Increased condom use and decreased HIV & STI prevalence among female sex workers following a targeted HIV prevention program in Karnataka, south India [Abstract O1-S09.01].


Mahajan U, Banandur P, Rajaram S, Duchesne T, Abdous B, Ramesh BM, Moses S, Alary M. Determinants of time trends in HIV prevalence in the young antenatal population of Karnataka districts [Abstract O1-S11.02].


Singh D, Blanchard J, O’Neil J, Mignone J, Moses S. Bonding, bridging, linking: exploring relationship between social capital and migrants’ HIV risk behaviour at destination [Abstract O2-S5.01].


Banandur P, Potty RS, Mahagaonkar SB, Bradley J, Banadakoppa RM, Washington RG, Blanchard JF, Moses S, Lowndes CM, Alary M. Heterogeneity of the HIV epidemic in the general population of Karnataka State, India [Abstract P1-S1.13].

Rajaram SP, Bradley JE, Ramesh BM, Isaac S, Washington RG, Moses S, Blanchard JF, Becker M, Alary M. HIV prevalence declining in southern India? Evidence from two rounds of general population surveys in Bagalkot district, Karnataka [Abstract P1-S1.14 IS].

Bradley J, Rajaram S, Alary M, Isac S, Moses S, Ramesh BM. Determinants of condom breakage among female sex workers in Karnataka, India [Abstract P1-S2.03].

Shetti B, Sunil P, Bhattacharjee P, Moses S, Prakash KH, Vidyacharan M. Improving access to STI care among female sex workers by strengthening service provider networks in Bangalore, south India [Abstract P1-S2.12].


Mishra S, Sgaier SK, Thompson L, Moses S, Ramesh BM, Alary M, Blanchard JF. Revisiting HIV epidemic appraisals for assisting in the design of effective HIV prevention programs [Abstract P1-S4.15].


Mehta S, Gaydos C, Maclean I, Odoyo-June E, Moses S, Murugu R, Agunda L, Nyagaya E, Quinn N, Bailey R. Medical male circumcision may be protective of urogenital Mycoplasma genitalium infection: Results from a randomised trial in Kisumu, Kenya [Abstract P1-S6.54].

Chintada DR, Pillai P, Mahadevapappa S, Mohammed P, Isac S, Ramesh BM, Ramappa V, Bhattacharjee P, Moses S. Support groups as a strategy for reducing HIV vulnerability among female sex workers in Bellary, northern Karnataka, India [Abstract P2-S2.01].

Halli S, Blanchard J, Bhattacharjee P, Raghavendra T, Moses S. Changing patterns and drivers of migration among female sex workers of northern Karnataka to large cities of Maharashtra,
India in the context of HIV/AIDS [Abstract P2-S2.08].


Gurav K, Cooper E, Junno J, Stein D, Chintada DR, Doddamane M, Moses S. Traditional devadasi system under transition: Boon or bane for HIV prevention programme? [Abstract P2-S2.21].


Jayanna K, Washington R, Moses S. Maximising the impact of positive prevention practices in people living with HIV: Learning’s from Karnataka, south India [Abstract P2-S7.04].


Asadoorian J. Exploring the Dental Hygiene Knowledge Translation Black Box. CACHE/NCC April 2011 Conference, Banff, Alberta.


Bartlett J, Martens P, Sanguins J, Prior H, Burchill C, Burland E, Carter S. Incidence of Stroke in Metis in Manitoba: Results from the Metis Health Status and Health Services Utilization Study. Accepted for oral presentation at the 2nd Canadian Stroke Congress. Ottawa, ON, October 2-4, 2011.


Brownell M. How are Manitoba’s children doing? (Presented at the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy and Manitoba Health Workshop. Winnipeg, MB, April 21, 2011).

Brownell M. Perinatal services and outcomes in Manitoba. (Presented at the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy and Manitoba Health Workshop. Winnipeg, MB, April 21, 2011).


Doupe M, Fransoo R, Chateau D, Dik N. Understanding co-morbidities of nursing home residents (Presented at the Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research, Halifax, NS, May 9-12, 2011)

Doupe M, Fransoo R, Chateau D, Dik N. Projecting the need for nursing home beds in Manitoba (Poster presentation at the Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research, Halifax, NS, May 9-12, 2011)

Doupe M. Profiling the needs of nursing home residents: Understanding the bigger picture (Presented to the Executive Directors of Personal Care Homes, Winnipeg, MB, April 28, 2011)

Doupe M. Who and where are your greying baby boomers: Short, intermediate, and longer term planning strategies (Presented to the Assiniboine Regional Health Authority Long-Term Care Planning Committee, March 2, 2011)

Driedger SM, Cooper EJ, Jardine CJ, Furgal C. First Nations and Metis responses to H1N1 risk messages in Manitoba: Differences between urban and remote areas. International Medical Geography Symposium, Durham, UK, July 11, 2011.


Katz A. Best Brains Exchange: CIHR sponsored exchange with Manitoba Health: Slowing the Growth Rate of Healthcare Expenditures; facilitator, September 2011.


Lemaire J, Shooshtari S, Sevenhuysen G, Cohen B, Martens P, and the Community Health Assessment Evaluation Working Group. The development of a methodology to apply a health equity lens to health assessment evaluation. Accepted for a poster presentation at the 2011 Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics conference in Montreal, QC, June 20, 2011.

Lix L M. Health disparities and chronic disease: some examples using population-based administrative health databases. Workshop on Dynamic Modeling for Health Policy, Saskatoon, SK, July 2011.


March J, Henriksen CA, Affifi TO, Sareen J, Logsetty S. Non-medical use of prescription medication and intimate


**Martens PJ.** CIHR IHSPR Video: The Impact of Transformative Health Services and Policy Research and its Impact on the Canadian Health System and Health of Canadians (One of the interviewees for the video). For the International Health Economic Association Congress: Toronto, ON (July 2011).


**Martens PJ.** MCHP Turning Straw into Gold – KT’ing research in population health (PHIR-NET Summer Institute 2011, Montreal, QC, June 18-19th, 2011)

**Martens PJ.** (1) An overview of MCHP; (2) Plenary: Health Inequities in Manitoba; (3) Profile of Metis Health Status and Healthcare Utilization in Manitoba. (MCHP/WRHA Annual Workshop, “Health Inequities in Winnipeg: A collaborative discussion about narrowing the gap”, Winnipeg, MB, June 15, 2011).

**Martens PJ.** MCHP data - informing decision-making (Presented to the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, "New uses for Government Administrative Data: Opportunities for Evidence-Based Policymaking in Canada" Fredericton, NB, May 31, 2011)

**Martens PJ, Freeman J.** CIHR/IHSPR Workshop on Grant Writing for Graduate and Post-Doctoral Students. (CAHSPR National Conference, Halifax, NS, May 9-12, 2011).


Martens PJ. The big effects of small effects (Invited plenary speaker, Rehabilitation Research Day, Winnipeg, MB, May 4, 2011)

Martens PJ. What impacts the health of communities? (Invited speaker at the WRHA Community Health Advisory Council's Meeting, Winnipeg, MB, May 3, 2011)

Martens PJ. The MCHP model of informing decision-making (Invited speaker at "Becoming the Best: Game-changing Health Innovations" sponsored by the Institute of Health Economics, Edmonton, AB, May 2, 2011)

Martens PJ. The Metis report (Plenary speaker, MCHP/Manitoba Health Annual Workshop Day, Winnipeg, MB, April 21, 2011)

Martens PJ. Who we are and what we do (Youth Suicide Prevention Strategy Implementation Steering Committee, Winnipeg, MB, April 18, 2011)

Martens PJ. The Manitoba Centre for Health Policy as a resource for research and service planning (Invited Plenary Speaker, "Psychology in Health Research Day" Winnipeg, MB, April 15, 2011)

Martens PJ, Bartlett J, Prior H, Burland E, Burchill C, Sanguins J, Carter S. Does being “Metis” persist as a risk factor for diabetes and related lower-limb amputations when other socio-demographic and health services factors are taken into account? Accepted for oral presentation at the CPHA Conference, Montreal, QC, June 19-22, 2011.


Raghavan M, Burchill C, Martens P. Effectiveness of breed-specific legislation in decreasing the prevalence of dog-bite. Accepted for oral presentation at the American College of Epidemiology conference. Montreal, QC, June 2011


**Roos NP, Ford Jones E.** How Do You Tell the Poverty Story? (Presented at the Canadian Science Writers Association Annual Conference, Calgary, June 11, 2011).


Ruth CA, **Roos N, Hildes-Ripstein E, Brownell M.** Infants born at less than 40 weeks gestation are at increased risk of hospital admission over the first year of life. (Presented at The Pediatric Academic Societies/Asian Society for Pediatric Research Joint Meeting, Denver CO, May 2, 2011).

**Shooshtari S.** Invited Speaker. A workshop on Knowledge Translation and Health Education and promotion, The 1st International & 4th National Congress on Health Education and Promotion hosted by Tabriz University of Medical Sciences, Tabriz, Iran, May 16-19, 2011.


Sloshower S, **Asadoorian J.** Poster presentation. The Development and Implementation of the College of Dental Hygienists of Manitoba Continuing Competency Program: A Case Study Analysis. April 2011, CACHE/NCC 2011 Conference, Banff, Alberta
St. John P, Strang D, **Doupe M**. Adverse events in for-profit and not-for-profit nursing homes in Manitoba (Presented at the Canadian Geriatrics Society 31st Annual Scientific Meeting, Vancouver, BC, April 14-16, 2011)


Woloschuk DMM, **Raymond CB**. “Growing Preceptors” Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada Conference. Winnipeg, MB (June 7, 2011)

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

Dr. Dawn Kingston (post-doctoral fellow) and **Dr. Maureen Heaman** hosted a multidisciplinary planning workshop, *Evaluating the feasibility of routine psychosocial assessment in pregnant and postpartum women*, at the Fort Garry Hotel on Winnipeg on September 23rd, funded by a Canadian Institutes of Health Research Meetings, Planning and Dissemination (MPD) Grant, $12,963.00.

**Katz A.** Hallway Medicine. Interview with Leslie McLaren from CBC Radio, September 2011.

**Katz A.** Hallway Medicine. Interview with Leslie McLaren from CBC Television, September 2011.

**Katz A.** Healthcare coverage during the election. Interview with Larry Kusch from the Winnipeg Free Press, September 26, 2011.

**Martens PJ.** Interviews with CBC TV and CTV. Description of our MCHP “PATHS Equity for Children” Program of Research. (Regarding the CIHR announcement for the PATHS to Health Equity Funding and the announcement made by Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, Minister of Health, Winnipeg, MB, August 30, 2011).)  


Roos NP, Hirst N. Silver Tsunami to break the health system’s bank? Huffpost Canada, June 1, 2011.


Roos NP, Hirst N. Senior citizens are not a threat to Canada’s medicare system. Times and Transcript, May 4, 2011.

DEPARTMENTAL COLLOQUIA

Sept 16: Jonathan Jarman. How Can We Reduce Health Inequities in Indigenous Peoples?


Oct 17: Joel Kettner. CPPHO Report on the Health Status of Manitobans Priorities for Prevention: Everyone, Every Place, Every Day.


Nov 4: Depeng Jiang. One Size Does Not Fit All: Marrying the Variable-Centered With The Person-Centered Statistical Approaches for Intervention Evaluation.

Nov 18: Allan Ronald & Michael Mulvey. Use & Antibiotic Resistance – The Emergence of Carbapenem Resistance in Canada and Globally: Can We Predict Future Spread from Past Experiences?

Nov 25: Maureen Heaman. Predictors and Outcome of Inadequate Prenatal Care: A Population-Based Study in Manitoba.

Dec 2: Yoav Keynan. Factors Involved in HIV Disease Progression: The Role of HLA Alleles Among HIV Infected Individuals in Manitoba.

Upcoming Department Council Meetings: A106 Chown Bldg.
January 9, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
March 7, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
May 4, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
September 4, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
November 8, 2012, 10:00 a.m.

Upcoming Executive Committee Meetings: A106 Chown
February 2, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
April 5, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
June 5, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
October 3, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
December 7, 2012, 10:00 a.m.

Season’s Greetings!
Happy 2012!