This is my first note as Head of the Department, and I want to thank all Community Health Sciences faculty, students, and support staff for being so welcoming and tolerant as I begin my learning curve. I want to particularly thank Sharon Macdonald for leaving the Department in such good shape both academically and administratively.

As I work my way through meeting with faculty, students, and staff I am continually impressed by the quality of the work being undertaken in the Department and the dedication and commitment of all concerned. Every issue of this Newsletter confirms our productivity and achievement with lengthy listings of new research grants, peer-reviewed, and other publications, presentations, invited lectures, consultations, and public service activities.

I want to take this opportunity to welcome two new Departmental faculty members: Drs. Deborah McPhail and Lisa Lix. I would also like to welcome to the Department three new part-time faculty members: Drs. Lisa Richards, Brent Roussin, and Marshall Pitz. Please see Awards & Appointments Page 3 for more detail.

The undergraduate programme curriculum renewal process is proceeding apace with the target of being ready to deliver the new curriculum for at least Meds I and III by the fall term of 2013. This is an exciting development but will present challenges for us all to get everything ready on time.

Another new development within the Faculty of Medicine and the University is the “cluster” initiative. This initiative is still in its

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early days, but will potentially have profound implications for the Department and Faculty for years to come. Community Health Sciences already has significant links with the other faculties, schools, and departments which may ultimately form a health sciences cluster, perhaps more so than any Department in the Faculty. So we will likely be playing a pivotal role in many of the discussions and developments as this initiative evolves and many of us may be called upon to participate and contribute. Stay tuned!

Many of our Departmental committees have gone through recent changes of leadership and I want to thank the outgoing leaders for their service over the past years and welcome the new ones to the challenges ahead. This includes, in order of outgoing and incoming:

- Graduate studies: Bob Tate, Evelyn Forget
- Post-graduate studies: Tim Hilderman, Brent Roussin
- Colloquium: Randy Fransoo, Mahmoud Torabi, & Aynslie Hinds
- MPH: Joel Kettner (new position)
- Undergraduate medical education: Tim Hilderman (new leader to be determined)
- Undergraduate electives: Tim Hilderman

I also want to thank Lawrence Elliott for agreeing to continue as Associate Head of the Department. Lawrence’s contribution to the Department in this and other ways is much appreciated.

Finally, I want to remind all faculty, students, and staff of the United Way Campaign that is just getting underway. Sharon Macdonald is chair of the United Way Campaign for the Bannatyne Campus this year. Our Department is engaged with the community in which we are embedded in many ways, both academic and non-academic, as is highlighted elsewhere in this newsletter. Please spare a moment of your time and generosity to support the community through the United Way campaign.

United Way Campaign

The United Way Campaign is underway! This is one opportunity for you to support the neighbourhood around us. Every penny of your donation goes back into the community. We will have some fun activities coming up - a book sale and early bird draw for those donating by 18 October 2012. Volunteers in CHS are Kathy Bell, Jean Parry, Bob Tate, Dawn Stewart, Doris Kuzma, and Shannon Turczak. Look for posters and we will answer your questions! Pledge forms are already in the mail to you. Please consider giving back. As one of the sponsored executives from United Way said, "Every penny counts. It made a real difference for our family!"

Bannatyne Chair, United Way 2102 Campaign, Sharon Macdonald.
Awards and Appointments

Dr. Lisa Lix has returned from Saskatchewan as a Professor in Community Health Sciences. Her expertise is in biostatistics and advanced research methodologies and she is involved in collaborative research at provincial and national levels. Lisa has also recently been awarded a Manitoba Research Chair (2012-2017) by the Manitoba Health Research Council. Her research program focuses on developing algorithms for using administrative databases in chronic disease research and surveillance. Lisa is, of course, well known to most of us as she was with the Department for a number of years before moving to Saskatchewan. We welcome her back. Among many other responsibilities, Lisa is leading the development of the Methods Centre of the new Research Support Unit within the George and Fay Yee Centre for Healthcare Innovation. This is an exciting and innovative development within the Faculty of Medicine and will have important implications for CHS.

We welcome Dr. Deborah McPhail as an Assistant Professor with a PhD in women’s studies from York University in 2010. Her doctoral dissertation on a feminist history of obesity discourse in twentieth-century Canada is under advance contract for publication with the University of Toronto Press. Her current work focuses on the interplay among obesity discourse, food access, traditional eating practices, and social inequalities. Other areas of interest include critical theories of health and the body; feminist and qualitative research methods; gender studies; anti-racist and post-colonial studies; theories of class distinction and structural oppression; globalisation and health inequity; and intersectional experiences of health and illness. Deborah is already developing collaborative links with other faculty members and getting involved in Departmental teaching.

New part-time faculty member, Dr. Marshall Pitz is a clinical oncologist at Cancer Care Manitoba and an Assistant Professor in Internal Medicine. Marshall’s area of research is cancer outcomes and translational research. He has been part of a group at CCMB working on the evaluation of patient outcomes for those treated with expensive drugs. Marshall has also been involved in undergraduate medical education through CHS.

Dr. Lisa Richards, another new part-time faculty member, is a Medical Officer of Health (MOH) at the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. Currently her primary focus is on the tuberculosis program. Her role is expected to broaden to other areas of public health, environmental health, and health promotion. Lisa will also be providing leadership to the public health electives for undergraduate students.

The third new part-time faculty member, Dr. Brent Roussin is a family practitioner and was recently appointed to the role of Director for the Public Health and Preventive Medicine Residency Program in Community Health Sciences. Brent was also Chief Resident during his residency here, and successfully completed the Royal College Examinations in Public Health and Preventive Medicine. Brent is a Medical Officer of Health for Manitoba Health providing services to FNIHB.

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Congratulations to Janelle de Rocquigny who was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal on September 27, 2012 at Government House. The Honourable Maria Chaput, Senator, nominated Janelle “for her keen awareness of environmental issues; for giving an international voice to Franco-Canadians; and for her efforts to find concrete actions toward sustainable development.” Janelle has been involved with the organisation Development and Peace for 17 years. As a result, she was selected to represent the organisation this past June in Rio de Janeiro at the People’s Summit, a parallel conference to the United Nations’ Conference on Sustainable Development.

The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal is a new commemorative medal created to mark the 2012 celebrations of the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II’s accession to the Throne. It serves to honour significant contributions and achievements by Canadians.

Announcements

Congratulations to Rohit and Deepa Singal on the arrival of their son Shayar Kumar Singal born on 24 July 2012; 7 pounds 2 ounces.

On the 20th of June the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library held a dedication ceremony for the newly renovated space that houses the Aboriginal Health Collection named "Kanee Ga Ni-What Kee-Kandamowin Anishinabeck". Translated to "The First Peoples Place of Learning".

The First Peoples Place of Learning had its beginnings in 1997 from a donation of a number of books and reports made by the then Head of Community Health Sciences, Dr. John O’Neil. Today the collection is unique in that it is the only special collection devoted solely to Indigenous health found in an academic medical library in Canada.
The start of fall marks the end of several successful community initiatives for our Bannatyne Campus.

Summer Weekend Inner-City Supervised Hoops (SWISH)

SWISH was held in Parking Lot E from June 30 – August 11, provided a drop-in basketball venue every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Approximately 129 youth from the inner city stopped by to shoot hoops, participate in 3-on-3 games, or develop their technique over the course of this program. SWISH was a joint partnership between Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Kinesiology & Recreation Management, and School of Medical Rehabilitation; as well as Basketball Manitoba, City of Winnipeg and the Youth Agencies Alliance and its members.

Mini-U Bannatyne

Mini-U made a stop at our Bannatyne Campus for three weeks in August. Community Health Sciences collaborated with Hugh John Macdonald, Dufferin, and Wellington schools to provide 45 camping spots to children in grades K – 8. The proximity of the schools to our campus worked well with Mini-U’s walking school bus where camp counselors met students at their school and supervised the walk to and from the Joe Doupe gymnasium each day. Dr. Lynne Warda from the WRHA worked with CHS to provide safety presentations and free bicycle helmets to all campers – thank you Lynne for organising this!

Upcoming events in the next few months include volunteer and service learning opportunities with Winnipeg School Division and various inner city organisations, and poverty/nutrition-themed events hosted jointly by Bannatyne and Fort Garry campuses. Watch for updates for these and other community engagement initiatives!

Biomedical Youth Program

The Biomedical Youth Program (BYP) successfully hosted the 6th annual Biomedical Youth Summer Camp from July 23-27, 2012 on the University of Manitoba Bannatyne Campus. The aim of the Camp was to expose students from Grades 4-12 to a diversity of hands-on experiments from various disciplines in science and the health professions, and encourage youth to pursue careers in such fields. The Camp is offered annually, and is free of charge for participants. This year, more than 200 participants took part in a vast array of activities including medical diagnostics and
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imaging, medical rehabilitation, pharmacy, and biochemistry.

With the wrap up of the Summer Camp, the BYP then participated in the 13th annual Life Sciences Association of Manitoba (LSAM) Golf Tournament, hosted at the beautiful Glendale Golf and Country Club. All funds raised go towards the initiatives of the Inner-City Science Centre (ICSC), located in Niji Mahkwa School.

With the kick-start of the new school year, the BYP was invited to host 90 students in Grades 3 and 4 from Carman Elementary School as part of the National Biotechnology Week festivities. The young scientists enjoyed their tour of the state-of-the-art facilities at the ICSC and had a blast learning about how illnesses can spread through a population.

After a busy summer and exciting start to a new school year the BYP looks forward to working with schools to commence its after-school outreach programs. The BYP will be hosting Science Buddies Clubs where groups of students from inner-city schools and organisations will enjoy weekly hands-on experiments, as well as have the opportunity to pursue their own projects.

We look forward to working with our talented budding scientists this academic year!

Department Colloquia

Sept 14: Sharon Bruce, Natalie Riediger, Kayla Farquhar, Kerry Spence. Developing a Diabetes Intervention in Sandy Bay Ojibway First Nation: Incorporating Nutrition, Physical Activity and Stress Mitigation.


BYP Youth Summer Camp Photos

Public Service


Raghavan M interviewed for:

- Pursaga J. Fewer dog bites since the pit bull ban. Winnipeg Sun, July 9, 2012.

WISH Clinic

WISH Clinic had a very busy summer, with activities designed to bring students and Point Douglas community members together for relationship building and holistic health promotion. We are thankful to the United Way of Winnipeg for their funding of our summer Family Fun BBQ as well as our summer sport programming where Bison athletes facilitated physical activities with youth of the area. Over 800 community members came out to our BBQ and over 125 youth played our sports activities!

WISH Clinic is a student-run health clinic and strives to address the health needs of the Point Douglas community in an unbiased, socially responsible way, while providing an inter-professional learning environment for students. WISH is a joint program of the University of Manitoba and Mount Carmel Clinic.

Submitted by Bre Woligroski, WISH Clinic Facilitator, Winnipeg Interprofessional Student-run Health (WISH)Clinic

Manitoba Centre for Health Policy

Congratulations to Dr. Colleen Metge

MCHP research scientist and Director of the WRHA’s Research & Evaluation unit, Dr. Colleen Metge, was appointed as chair of the Expert Advisory Committee to Health Canada for the Vigilance of Health Products. Her expertise as a pharmacist and researcher will provide crucial feedback to the committee on drug safety. We congratulate Colleen on her new appointment and continued dedication to the health of Canadians.

Unique ways to use MCHP data

One of the greatest strengths MCHP has lies in its ever-growing linkable databases called the Population Health Research Data Repository. With this, research scientists can describe and explain patterns of healthcare and profile health and illness patterns across a spectrum of measures, facilitating inter-sectoral research in areas such as healthcare, education, and social services. Recently the repository has been used in some unique and prolific ways. For example, Dr. Malathi Raghavan used data within the repository to examine dog bites in Manitoba. She found that at the provincial level there was a significant reduction in hospitalisations due to dog-bites after a ban on pit bulls, specifically in Winnipeg where the ban was introduced.

Although the study states the results do not prove cause-and-effect, there was a significant and promising link between the ban and dog-bite injuries.

Dr. Evelyn Forget used MCHP’s repository to study the effect of a guaranteed minimum income experiment that took place in Dauphin between 1974 and 1978. Since some of the data MCHP holds dates back to the early 1970s, Dr. Forget found there were more kids in Grade 12 in 1977 than there were in Grade 11 the year before, which likely meant dropouts returned to school. She also found hospitalisation rates dropped 8.5 per cent. People in Dauphin ended up in hospital far less often because of
accidents, injuries, and mental-health problems. When the experiment ended, the effects started to disappear.

Visitors

During the week of September 10, MCHP hosted population health researchers from Swansea University and Population Data BC. Professor David Ford, Simon Thompson, and Kelly Alke spent nearly a week with MCHP researchers to study and learn what makes MCHP’s research model work so well. They plan on using the experience to apply principles and practices to their own research centres.

New report: Projecting Personal Care Home Bed Equivalent Needs in Manitoba Through 2036

A new report from MCHP estimates how much the need for personal care home beds or equivalent alternatives such as supportive housing and extended home care is expected to rise.

Manitoba Health’s Aging in Place initiative has created relatively new alternatives to care for aging adults, such as supportive housing and home care, which have helped to keep the demand for personal care homes down. Expanding these services will be crucial for the future care of seniors in the province.

The study found the proportion of Manitobans using personal care homes has shrunk since 1985. In addition to long-term care alternatives, the demand for personal care homes has possibly been lowered by a healthier senior population.

There are about 9,600 personal care home beds in Manitoba—about 5,400 are in Winnipeg. Using population projections combined with patterns of use, researchers estimate Manitoba will need space for about 5,100 extra seniors by 2036. Alternatives such as supportive housing and home care could divert 12.5 to 19.5 per cent of use out of personal care homes.

International Year of Statistics 2013

The purpose of the International Year of Statistics (Statistics 2013) is to promote the importance of Statistics through the combined energies of societies and organizations worldwide to the broader scientific community, business and government data users, the media, policy makers, employers, students, and the general public. The goals of Statistics 2013 include:

- increasing public awareness of the power and impact of Statistics on all aspects of society;
- nurturing Statistics as a profession, especially among young people; and
- promoting creativity and development in the sciences of Probability and Statistics

More information can be found at http://www.statistics2013.org/

You can register as a participant in Statistics 2013; registration creates no obligation of any kind. It simply indicates that your organisation supports these goals.

To register your interest in participating, please go to http://www.statistics2013.org/join.cfm.

Watch for more information in the New Year about national and international events to celebrate Statistics 2013.

The extra capacity for long-term care won’t be needed all at once and won’t be the same across the province. Healthcare planners from the five regional health authorities can use the report to prepare for future needs. For example, from 2011 to 2021, projections show a slight increase in the number of seniors for the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority while a more dramatic increase is predicted for the Interlake-Eastern, Northern, and Southern regions. During the same time period, the Western RHA should see a decrease in the number of seniors. From 2021 to 2031
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demands increase substantially in most RHAs.

The study found other factors can also influence demands for long-term care alternatives. For example, being married can reduce the demand for these services while the same is true for having children. A woman who is married is 23 per cent less likely to enter a personal care home while a married man is 40 per cent less likely to do so. Having a single child reduces the likelihood of entering long term care by 27 per cent while two or three children reduces the chances of entering a personal care home by 34 and 38 per cent, respectively.

The study also found that family members can prevent or reduce the need for PCHs, but some have a bigger impact than others. On average, a husband is almost as good as one child and a wife is better than three.

The report did find however, that Manitoban families are having fewer children. This is particularly true of Winnipeg where the proportion of people with no children has risen to one in five. This limits the network of people able to care for aging relatives and strains long-term care resources of francophones in Manitoba. It will be used by health officials to inform policies and service planning in addressing the health needs of the francophone population – a very big step because until now there has been little data on the health of francophones. On a national and international scale, this study will contribute to our knowledge of the health of minorities.

Check MCHP’s website for the full report and summary.

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Edge of Science and Medicine Seminar Series

Mark Your Calendars!

The Edge of Science and Medicine Seminar Series features cutting edge science lectures in a variety of areas. Each department arranges a presentation by a visiting scientist and a local expert. The Edge of Science and Medicine Seminar Series is sponsored by Dr. Kevin Coombs, Assistant Dean (Research) and the Office of the Associate Dean (Research).

On Monday, 19 November 2012, 12:00-1:00 p.m., in Theatre C, the Department of Community Health Sciences proudly welcomes Dr. David Wilson to Winnipeg to present as part of this seminar series. Dr. Wilson is an internationally renowned expert in the field of HIV/AIDS. He is the Global HIV/AIDS Program Director at the World Bank. The title of Dr. Wilson’s talk is “HIV prevention in 2012: Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue”.

On Monday, 3 December 2012, 12:00-1:00 p.m., in Theatre B, CHS presents Dr. Patricia Martens and Dr. Alan Katz; The Manitoba Centre for Health Policy: A local resource envied throughout the health services research community.
Members of the Section and of Community Health Sciences participated in the "Kookum Kaa Na Da Maa Waad Abinojiiak Council" - Grandmothers Protecting our Children, 6th Annual Medicine Walk on the 21st of September. The walk is dedicated to protecting communities, children, and youth.

In 1997 the Kookum Kaa Na Da Maa Waad Abinojiiak Council was formed at the encouragement of Elder, Margaret Lavallee. Margaret was outraged upon learning of a 12 year old who had been impregnated by her grandfather and then horrified the community rallied behind the grandfather and yet the child and her mother were exiled from their community.

Margaret gathered together Aboriginal Women/Leaders and Grandmothers and they decided to hold a walk to deliver the message to communities all over that children are sacred and the Grandmothers are saying "no more" abuse.

The Kookums are now connected to Grandmother Councils in Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii.

Upcoming Section Events

- Journal Club – Tuesday, November 6, 2012
- Section Sweat Lodge Ceremony – Saturday, November 17, 2012
Section of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Health, cont'd

J.A. Hildes Northern Medical Unit

In August, Dr. Clark Wilkie, specialist with the NMU, had a photo op with Prime Minister Harper in Cambridge Bay. The PM was there to announce $200 million in funding for the Canadian High Arctic Research Station.

Over the summer we welcomed the following new physicians:

To Percy E. Moore Hospital in Hodgson:

- Dr. Colin McFee
- Dr. Camisha Mayes
- Dr. Navneet Rehsia
- Dr. Muhammad Saleem Paracha

To the Consultant Program:

- Dr. Abdalla Ali, paediatrician (Red Sucker Lake & Hodgson)
- Dr. Devon Ambrose, obs/gyn
- Dr. Jeff Burzynski, paediatrician (Poplar River)
- Dr. Jocelyn Silvester, paediatrician (Rankin, Grand Rapids, Chemawawan)

To the Fly-In Program:

- Dr. Bushra Ashfaq

Regretfully we said good-bye to Dr. Carrie LaFournaise. Carrie 1st came to us as a Resident in March 2010 when she accompanied Dr. Karen Appel to St. Theresa Point. The following June she began as a family practitioner and it has been wonderful having her on our team. She will be missed.

We said goodbye to Mary Moss at the beginning of July. Mary started with the NMU and the Unit in late 2009. We wish her good luck in her new adventure in a new city.

Stepping into Mary’s former role is Gail Yacucha. Gail comes to us from the University’s Centre for Earth Observation. Welcome Gail.

The Island Lake Regional Renal Health Unit welcomes extra sets of hands in Geraldine Heinrichs, LPN and Melanie Mason, LPN from St. Theresa Point. Melanie is presently in Winnipeg taking the Manitoba Nephrology Nursing Course and will soon be back in Garden Hill qualified to administer dialysis. Congratulations to you both.

And, not new to the Unit, but new to her role, Deanna Miller was the successful candidate for the position of Clinical Nurse Supervisor and transitioned from Nurse to Nurse Supervisor on July 16th.

Daniel Aranha left the Unit on August 24th and will be advancing his career in Emergency Care. We wish Daniel good fortune.

Leaving the Med Rehab Program is Zach Harris who has been an OT in Rankin Inlet for the last 2 years. We wish Zach all the best. Alysha Friedman will be the new OT who started on September 4th. Welcome Alysha.

Sadly, we say good-bye and all the best to Lorna Doubt, PT & Rehab Supervisor who left Rankin in early October.
"I immediately was hooked", wrote Dr. Postl in his blog in November 2010. He was writing about when he was a medical student and first encountered Canada’s North. It was June 1974 and he was young and adventurous. And that sense of adventure was so strong that 35 years later, he was still caring for patients at medical clinics in Rankin Inlet, Grand Rapids, and Chemawawin.

Dr. Postl's commitment to doing his "small part" in providing health care to remote communities in Manitoba and Nunavut was ever present throughout his career from the time he was a medical student, through his tenure as the second Director of the NMU, the first President of the Canadian Society for Circumpolar Health, the Head of Paediatrics & Child Health, Head of Community Health Sciences, the founding President and CEO of the WRHA, and currently as the Dean of Medicine.

Due to the demands of his position as Dean of Medicine he recently had to make the difficult decision to discontinue his clinical visits.

We at the NMU, and the generations of children of Manitoba and Nunavut whom Dr. Postl treated, greatly value his decades of care and compassion and as a pioneer of the Unit.

He will keep his ties to the NMU and will continue to see children at his ambulatory clinic at Children's Hospital.

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Clipping his Wings

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Centre for Aboriginal Health Education

The Section would like to welcome Linda Lamirande who accepted the project position to 31 March 2013 as student support and program coordinator for the Section of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Health (FNMIH) and the Centre for Aboriginal Health Education (CAHE).

Two of the projects Linda is working on are cultural programming and mentorship.

CAHE Upcoming Events

- CAHE Sweat Lodge Ceremony – Saturday, 20 October 2012
- CAHE Cultural Teaching – Friday, 2 November 2012

Related Events

CHS Graduate Student Council

On behalf of the entire Student Council, we would like to thank all faculty and staff that worked to make the Orientation Day 2012 a success!

Most particularly, we would like to acknowledge the time and help of these students: Jennifer McArthur, Leigh McClarty, Claudyne Chevrier, Aynslie Hinds, Kirsten Bourque, Liz Cooper, Shivoan Balakumar, Janelle de Rocquigny, Natalie Riediger and Tahir Rauf. Welcome to all new students!

We would also like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest welcome to Dr. Stephen Moses, the new Department Head!

Janelle de Rocquigny, Claudyne Chevrier, Co-Chairs of the CHS Graduate Student Council

GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Co-Presidents: Janelle de Rocquigny, Claudyne Chevrier
Graduate Program Committee Reps: Claudyne Chevrier (PhD), Janelle de Rocquigny (MSc), Michael Isaac (MPH-Public Health & Preventive Medicine)
Department Council Reps: Elizabeth Cooper, Aynslie Hinds
Treasurer: Souradet Shaw
HSGSA Rep: Elsabé du Plessis (proxy: Claudyne Chevrier, Jennifer McArthur)
Communications Rep: rotation between members
Community Development Reps: Shivoan Balakumar, Sneha Abraham
Educational Rep: Aynslie Hinds (Colloquium), Elizabeth Cooper & Taru Manyanga (Dinner with Experts)
Social Activities Reps: Jennifer McArthur, Jerry (Lin) Xue
First-Year Reps: Paul Kuwornu (PhD), Elizabeth Wall-Wieler (MSc)
Public Health & Preventative Medicine: Heejune Chang
Others: Andrea Blanchard, Laura Thompson, Yao Nie, Dessalegn Melesse, Jason Randall, Leah Crockett

New Research Grants


Brownell M, Chartier M. Identification of Factors and Supports that Contribute to the Educational Success of Students in Foster Care. Manitoba Health. 2012-2014; $200,000.

Dearman A. Validation Study on Administrative Data in Manitoba for the Purpose of ASD Surveillance. Public Health Agency of Canada. 2012-2014; $150,000.


Lix L. Principal Applicant. CIHR. Completeness of physician billing claims databases in Canada. Amount: $251,559; Term: 07/2012 – 06/2015

New Publications


**New Publications, cont'd**

The situation is not improving. *Osteoporosis International* 2012;23:1623-1629.

Lix L, Quan H, Johansen H, Smith M, Tu K, Bartlett-Esquilan G. Mining administrative health databases to advance medical science: geographical considerations and untapped potential in Canada. *Can J Cardiol* 2012;28 (2):4-152.


Presentations, Invited Lectures, Consultations

The Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research, Halifax, NS, May 9-12, 2012.

Doupe M, Fransoo R, Chateau D, Dik N. Understanding Co-morbidities of Nursing Home Residents.

Doupe M, Fransoo R, Chateau D, Dik N. Projecting the Need for Nursing Home Beds in Manitoba (poster).

21st Annual Canadian Conference on HIV/AIDS Research; Montreal, Quebec: April 19-22, 2012


Shaw SY, Jolly AM, Wylie JW. Social network characteristics associated with HCV infection among injection drug users with and without solvent use histories in Winnipeg, Manitoba.


Shaw SY, Blanchard JF, Bernstein CN. Early childhood immunizations are not associated with pediatric IBD: a population-based analysis.


Chateau D, Doupe M. The Impact of Family Structure on Nursing Home Use.


Cooper E, Driedger SM, Jardine CG, Furgal C. First Nations and Métis responses to H1N1 risk messages in Manitoba.

Driedger SM. Communicating pandemic risks: Lessons and experiences from three Canadian H1N1 risk communication projects.


Jardine CG, Driedger SM. Keelan J. Lessons learned from Canada’s pandemic H1N1 experience - policy considerations and reality on the ground.

Kain N, Driedger SM, Jardine CG, Keelan J. Pandemic H1N1 in Canada: Risk communication context and challenges.


Presentations, Invited Lectures, Consultations cont’d

analysis of Individual, programmatic and contextual factors affecting time trends in syphilis among female sex workers (FSWs) from 24 districts of south India [Abstract TUPE337].

Beattie TS, Bhattacharjee P, Mohan HL, Chandrashekar S, Suresh M, Rao D, Isac S, Heise L, Ramesh BM, Moses S, Watts C. Exposure to community mobilisation is associated with increased power, increased service use, increased condom use and lower HIV and STI prevalence among female sex workers in Bellary district, south India [Abstract THPE275].


Shaw SY, Isac S, Washington RG, Deering KN, Ramesh BM, Blanchard JF, Moses S. HIV prevalence and risk behaviour profiles of migrant clients of female sex workers in Karnataka, south India [Abstract MOPE245].

Shaw SY, Becker M, Prakash J, Ramesh BM,

Suresh M, Bhattacharjee P, Isac S, Moses S. Changing typology of female sex work in Karnataka, south India: implications for programs [Abstract THPE256].


15th International Congress on Circumpolar Health August 5-10, 2012

Elias B, Hall M, Broeders P, Hong SP, Hart L, Munro G, Martens P. Will the gap in life expectancy and mortality between First Nations and All Others Manitobans (Canada) ever close? (poster presentation)


Orr P (presenter), Slater J, Larcombe L, Green C, Slivinski C, Singer M, Denechzehe L, Whaley C, Nickerson P. Dietary Intake of Vitamin D in a Northern Canadian Dene First Nation Community.


Brownell M. How are Manitoba’s children doing? Presented at the Need to Know Team Meeting No. 34, Winnipeg, MB, June 18, 2012.

Brownell M. Using the data repository at the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy to study children’s health and developmental trajectories. Presented at the Manitoba Institute of Child Health Research Rounds, Winnipeg MB, May 24, 2012.


