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one child  every child

POSTDOCTORAL FUTURE LEADER AWARDS

There are six awards available, valued at \$80,000 each (inclusive of health benefits) per year for 2 years:

- **Intent to apply form deadline: April 16**
- Full application (by invitation only): open from May 1 to May 29
- Notification of Phase 1 results will happen on April 30
- **[View webpage](#)**

EVENTS, WORKSHOPS AND BOOK STUDIES



One Child Every Child: Indigenous Ways of Knowing, Doing, Connecting, and Being for Advancing the Well-Being of Our Future Generations

August 12 - 15, 2025

MacEwan Hall, UCalgary

[View webpage](#)

Abstract submission deadline: Tuesday, April 15 at 11:59 pm MT

Register by Saturday, May 31 to take advantage of early bird fees

[View early bird and all conference registration fees](#)

HONoured GUEST PRESENTERS

Dr. Yvonne Poitras Pratt: Metis Matters

Thursday, April 24: 9:30 - 11 am, HSC G384

Register

Panel with Willie Ermine: Working Together in Ethical Space

Friday, May 23: 9:30 - 11 am, Libin Theatre

Register

BOOK STUDIES

21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act (Truth and reconciliation, non-fiction)

Tuesday, April 29: 11 am - 12 pm OR Wednesday, April 30: 2 - 3 pm

Register

BASECAMP

Basecamp is the place where you can connect with OCEC teams and access resources, toolkits and events.

Watch these short videos to learn how to use Basecamp:

Basecamp 101

Basecamp Notifications

Fill in this webform to join our Basecamp network.

If you identify as an Indigenous researcher, please connect with sulyn.bodnaresko1@ucalgary.ca.

Stay Connected! Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#) for the latest breakthroughs in child health research, insights into our key themes and accelerators, and inspiring stories that drive change. Join the conversation—like, share, and help amplify our impact.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Please join us in welcoming our new members:

- **Dr. Amy Johnston** to the Maternal & Child Health program. [View profile](#)
- **Dr. Karen Ballinger** to the Healthy Children, Families & Communities program. [View profile](#)

- **Dr. Steven Bryant** to the Child Health Data Science program. [View profile](#)

AWARDS



Join us in congratulating:

- **Dr. Erin Brennand** on receiving the 2025 Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada May Cohen Equity, Diversity & Gender Award. [Read more](#)
- **Drs. Jongbok Lee, Perri Tutelman and Sorana Morrissy** on being awarded 2024 Arthur Child Innovation Catalysts. [Read more](#)

IN THE NEWS

- **Keeping watch on infectious diseases impacting Canadian kids**, Dr. Stephen Freedman
- **Closing the gap: How the O'Brien Institute is driving change in women's health**, Dr. Erin Brennand
- **How sex differences impact treatment efficacy for chronic pain**, Dr. Tuan Trang
- **Providing evidence to support Indigenous midwifery**, Dr. Jennifer Leason
- **'Pandemic babies' turn 5: Here's what research tells us about their development and remarkable resilience**, Drs. Gerald Giesbrecht and Catherine Lebel
- **Building a neuroinclusive campus**, Dr. Susan Graham

PUBLICATIONS

- **A Look "Inside" the Sport of Wrestling: Examination of Head Acceleration Events and Mechanisms in Female High-School Wrestlers Using Instrumented Mouthguards**, Dr.

Carolyn Emery

- **Anesthesia, extremely premature infants and full-scale intelligence quotient at 5 years of age**, Dr. Abhay Lodha
- **Menopausal symptom burden as a predictor of mid- to late-life cognitive function and mild behavioral impairment symptoms: A CAN-PROTECT study**, Dr. Pam Roach
- **Reliable multimodal brain signatures predict mental health outcomes in children**, Drs. Kathryn Manning and Catherine Lebel

RESEARCHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NFRF 2026 Transformation Competition

Webinars: May 6: (French) 8 - 10 am; (English) 11 am - 1 pm

LOI Deadline: May 26 at 9 am MT

Questions? Email ipd@ucalgary.ca

Call for Collaborative Research Projects on the Brain

Intent to Apply Deadline: Saturday, May 21 at 3 pm

Questions? Email samantha.mcewan@ucalgary.ca

Team Grant: Bringing Biology to Cancer Prevention

Full application: RSO Internal Deadline is June 16

Questions? Email lindsey.hritzuk@ucalgary.ca

CSM Indigenous Local and Global Health Office Pathways to Healing Grants

Applications are accepted on an on-going basis.

Questions? Email path2healing@ucalgary.ca

TRAINEES & POSTDOCS

Patient Engagement Certificate Course: A Project-Based Experiential Learning Opportunity

Are you a graduate student, postdoctoral fellow, clinician scientist, or research coordinator interested in enhancing your skills in patient engagement within health research?

Course Type: Experiential Learning (Project-Based)

Registration Deadline: April 14

[Learn more](#)

TRAINEE FUNDING & SUMMER SCHOOL

Owerko Education Awards

To support and recognize future leaders in research, the latest round of awards is open to Owerko Centre trainees and postdoctoral scholars:

- Graduate Scholarship
- Knowledge Dissemination and Engagement Award
- Publication Award

Application deadlines: Tuesday, June 3 at 11:59 pm

[Learn more](#)

For details on ACHRI and OCEC trainee awards, please visit our [Trainee Funding page](#).

Questions? Email achri.training@ucalgary.ca

ACHRI/OCEC supervisors: Please encourage your trainees to [register](#) to receive the newsletter, updates and access to funding and workshops.

MSK Summer School

August 11 - 15 at Foothills Campus

In a collaboration with the Canadian MSK Rehab Research Network, the McCaig Institute for Bone and Joint Health will be hosting a summer school for graduate students on the topic of cost-effectiveness and health services research. Participants in the free, week-long school can expect a dynamic mix of lectures and workshops designed to enhance learning and engagement.

Register

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

Harvey Sarnat Lectureship and Mini-Symposium ***Neuromeric Model of Craniofacial Development***

Tuesday, April 15: 8 - 11 am

Dr. Michael H. Carstens

Kinsmen Learning Centre Auditorium, Alberta Children's Hospital

[Register](#)

McCaig Institute Scientists Partnering for Research with Clinicians **(SPARC) 2025**

Tuesday, April 15: 5 - 8 pm

Last Defence Lounge, UCalgary

[Register](#)

Health Child Uganda and the Healthy **Adolescent and Young Adult Seminar**

Tuesday, April 22: 12 - 1 pm

Hybrid: HSC G500, Foothills Campus, & Zoom

Speakers: Dr. Jerome Kabakyenga and Teddy Kyomuhamgi

(Mbarara University of Science and Technology (MUST), Uganda)

[More details coming soon](#)

The Alberta SPOR Support Unit's Patient Engagement Team's **virtual Patient Engagement Journal Club** ***Sharing Pediatric Trial Results With Youth and Families: From Why to How***

Wednesday, April 23: 10 - 11 am

[View Paper](#)

CRESCENDO

Saturday, April 26: 7 pm

Jack Singer Concert Hall

[Buy tickets](#)

2025 Transdisciplinary Maternal and Child Health Graduate Research Symposium

Monday, April 28: 8 am - 6 pm

Azrieli Atrium & Libin Theatre, Foothills Campus

General attendance registration deadline: April 20 at 11:59 pm MT

*Abstract submission deadline: April 14 at 11:59 pm MT

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Canadian Rare Disease Innovation Showcase

Monday, April 28: 4 - 8:15 pm

Westin Hotel, Calgary and Zoom

A practical guide for incorporating EDI best practices in biomedical research

Thursday, May 1: 1 - 2 pm

Dr. Lisa Willis

[Register](#)



2025 OWERKO CONFERENCE Networks in Neurodevelopment

Monday, May 5: 9 am - 5 pm

Drs. Azadeh Kushki, Kara Murias and Guang Yang

Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre

Abstract deadline: Thursday, April 22

Registration deadline: Sunday, April 25

[Register](#)

Advancing maternal and child health:

An AI-driven Taxonomy for Prematurity

Monday, May 5: 12 - 1:30pm

Dr. Nima Aghaeepour

[Register](#)



ACHRI SPRING UPDATE

Monday, May 12: 8:30 - 9:30 am

Dr. François Bernier

This seminar will provide updates on ACHRI activities.

Register for Zoom

Perinatal & Child Health Research Annual Meetings

May 12 - 15

Le Centre Sheraton, Montreal

[Details](#)

Canadian Women in Medicine Conference

May 30 - June 1

TELUS Convention Centre, Calgary

[Details](#)

UCalgary 12th International Spirituality Conference

Evolving and Flourishing in an Age of Disruption:

The role of spirituality in realignment and transformation

June 18 - 21

[Learn more](#)

Collaborations for Change

A virtual conference connecting research and

practice in post-secondary mental health and well-being

August 13: 9 am - 2 pm

[Register](#)

2025 ACHRI Research Symposium

Thursday, November 20 & Friday, November 21

MacEwan Hall, UCalgary

This in-person event will focus on our collaborative work on child health and wellness research priorities. More details to come.

For all events visit the **ACHRI calendar**.

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