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INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS VOICES IN SOCIAL WORK CONFERENCE

We are excited to share that Elder Dr. Reg Crowshoe, along with Vice-Provost of Indigenous Engagement Dr. Michael Hart, will be attending the [7th International Indigenous Voices in Social Work Conference](#) as keynote and plenary speakers. Elder Dr. Rose Crowshoe will be an honorary guest at the conference.

The conference itself is a global gathering dedicated to Indigenous based social work and systemic change. Dr. Reg Crowshoe has had a longstanding relationship with the University of Calgary and was awarded an honorary Doctorate Degree by UCalgary in 2001. Dr. Rose Crowshoe, a mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and wife has been recognized for her efforts to provide safe, ethical, relevant and appropriate cultural teachings in Calgary and surrounding communities for many years. Dr. Michael Hart has focused his life's work on creating ethical space for people and communities to thrive and has worked to enable UCalgary to realize its goals for indigenization on its campuses.

Conference Themes:

- Indigenous Ways of Knowing and Being
- Global Indigenous Solidarity
- Decolonization and Reconciliation
- Community Healing and Intergenerational Trauma
- Indigenous-Led Social Work Practice and Education
- Youth Empowerment and Intergenerational Learning
- Language Revitalization and Storytelling
- Land-Based Practices and Environmental Connection

The conference itself has been running since 2004 and this year it is being hosted here at the University of Calgary, with delegates attending from around the world. This year's conference theme, grounded in the ways of ii'taa'poh'to'p, is One Child Every child: Indigenous Ways of Knowing, doing, Connecting and Being for Advancing the Well-Being of Our Future Generations.

[REGISTER](#) for the conference and [READ MORE](#) about the keynote and plenary speakers.

INDIGENOUS RESEARCH SUPPORT TEAM

Community engagement in research with Indigenous peoples is a relationship-building process between researchers and community. Indigenous communities are diverse and there is no one-size-fits-all approach.

Connect with the Indigenous Research Support Team and find information on community engagement [HERE](#).

VALUE IMPACT AND KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION TOOLKIT



Announcement of a Value, Impact and Knowledge Mobilization Planning Tool

The VIKM Accelerator team designed an Integrated Value, Impact, and Knowledge Mobilization Planning Tool to guide researchers in developing an integrated Value, Impact, and Knowledge Mobilization plan that aligns with their One Child Every Child (OCEC) research activities. On June 25, 2025, the VIKM Accelerator team hosted a workshop to introduce the Planning Tool. The Planning Tool workshop will be offered again in the fall. Stay tuned for more information!

If you have any questions, please reach out to ocec.vikm@ucalgary.ca.

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.



NEW MEMBER



Join us in welcoming **Dr. H. Artee Luchman** to the *Child Brain Mental Health Program*. Dr. Luchman's research is focused on signaling pathways and drug discovery with cross-disciplinary models and integrative approaches to study aberrant mechanisms in genetic and somatic disorders. The overarching aim of her research is to help drive novel therapeutic modalities into clinical translation.

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KILLAM PROFESSOR



Congratulations to **Dr. Lara Leijser** for receiving the Canadian Paediatric Society's Emerging Leader in Neonatology Award! Dr. Leijser aims to develop new neuroprotective strategies and enhance brain health in preterm infants with the goal of improving their lifelong neurological outcomes and supporting the overall well-being of their families.

[Read story](#)



Congratulations to **Dr. Chris Novak** for receiving the Early Career Paediatrician Award! Dr. Novak has improved the care of hospitalized children by developing pathways for high-flow nasal cannula use for bronchiolitis, guiding safer, more effective procedural sedation for minor procedures, and supporting point-of-care ultrasound alongside other bedside clinical assessment skills.

[Read story](#)



Congratulations to **Dr. Perri Tutelman** for her successful application in the CIHR IMHA Inclusive Research Excellence Prizes Competition. She was awarded this prize for her work with patients, caregivers and clinicians from across the Canada to establish the top ten priorities for adolescent and young adult cancer research.

[Read About the Project](#)

UCALGARY NEWS

[UCalgary Leads National Effort to Advance Black Child and Youth Well-Being](#)

Project led by Dr. Bukola Salami makes strides in key areas of health and well-being and is featured in UCalgary news.

[Drs. Brennand, MacEachern, McCoy and Trang featured in the UCalgary Report to the Community](#)

Dr. Erin Brennand: Closing gaps in women's reproductive health research and care

Dr. Sarah MacEachern: 'Life-changing' course brings researchers and families together to shape neurodevelopmental research

Dr. Kathy McCoy: International partnership accelerates pandemic preparedness and microbial medicine solutions

Dr. Tuan Trang: Why women may be more likely to experience chronic pain

PUBLICATIONS

[Sex-specific white matter alterations in children exposed to high pregestational BMI](#), Drs. Gerald Giesbrecht, Deborah Dewey, Nicole Letourneau and Catherine Lebel

[Seeing the Invisible Resiliency \(STIR\): Chronic Autoimmune Conditions and Post-Secondary Education Experiences in Young Adulthood](#), Drs. Katelyn Greer and Deborah A. Marshall

CALGARY'S TECH TRANSFER OFFICE

Innovate, Calgary's Tech Transfer Office, provides free, comprehensive support to University of Calgary researchers thinking about commercializing their discoveries. Their innovation managers offer tailored assistance including market assessment, IP strategy and industry connections.

From grant application support to navigating complex ownership questions, they help bridge the critical gap between academic discovery and commercial innovation. Submit a disclosure **HERE** or contact the team at ipm@innovatecalgary.com.

THE INNOVATION AND COMMERCIALIZATION OFFICE NEWSLETTER

The Innovation and Commercialization Office is launching a brand-new newsletter designed for students, faculty and staff who want to translate their research into a viable start up, discover commercialization opportunities and support services for their start up. Celebrate research breakthroughs being translated into real-world solutions and get inspired by innovators from across the CSM community.

Take a moment to fill out a short [survey](#) to subscribe and join their growing innovation community!

RESEARCHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Brain Canada: Platform Support Grants (PSG)

Full application: September 18, 2025 at 17:00 EST

Questions? Email platformgrant@braincanada.ca

Kids Health Network: Innovation and Implementation Programs

Full application: October 3, 2025, at 6:00 pm PT

Info Session: Innovation and Implementation Programs

TRAINEES & POSTDOCS

2025 ACHRI Transdisciplinary Child & Maternal Health Trainee Research Day *For Summer Students, Trainees & Postdocs*

We are just **two weeks** away from the **abstract submission deadline** for the 2025 Transdisciplinary Maternal & Child Health Trainee Research Day.

To secure your spot, **please register even if your abstract is not yet complete**. Once your abstract is finalized, please register again before the submission deadline and include your abstract.

Abstract submission deadline: August 5 at 5 pm MT

Tuesday, August 26, 2025: 8 am - 6 pm

Azrieli Atrium & Theatre 4 and Clara Christie Theatre, Foothills Campus

General attendance registration deadline: August 15 at 5 pm MT

Questions? Email achrita@ucalgary.ca

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Anamika Choudhary Featured in Global News Radio Segment

ACHRI Trainee Association President, Anamika Choudhary, was featured in a radio segment on Global News Radio. Choudhary currently works in the Scantlebury Lab and is helping to identify new treatments for the catastrophic infantile spasms syndrome and to understand the mechanisms of febrile seizures.

[Listen Here](#)

ACHRI TRAINEE CONFERENCE TRAVEL AWARD RECIPIENTS

The ACHRI Trainee Conference Travel Award recipients have been preparing for and attending conferences around the globe. Each of the awarded Master's, PhD and Postdoctoral trainees received \$500 to support their travel to present and engage in impressive research.

Congratulations to this year's awardees: **Camryn McMillan, Dorit Moehrle, Farzaneh Nobakht, Julia Marie Gonzales, Katelyn Shewchuk, Raela Thiemann, Stacy Sick and Tona Pitt.**

RUN4RESEARCH TEAM

Join or support ACHRI's Run4Research Team!

Our team has signed up for the RBC Race for the Kids to raise funds that will help experts ensure these kids get the help they need to set them up for a thriving future.

You can make a **[donation or register](#)** for our team and support important programs for children and youth through the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation.



POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP COMPETITIONS

APPLY HERE

- **ACHRI Fellowship:** Open to trainees of ACHRI members. We welcome applications in all areas of child health and wellness, including maternal health.
- **Ian Bruce Fellowship (Data Science):** Applicants must be conducting research in the field of data science within the context of child health and wellness. Successful candidates must provide proof of completion of a graduate degree prior to the start of the fellowship.
- **Stretch Family Fellowship (Mental Health):** Applicants must be conducting research in the area of mental health within the child health and wellness domain. Successful candidates must provide proof of completion of a graduate degree prior to the start of the fellowship.

Application Deadline: **July 31, 2025 at 11:59 AM MT**

[READ 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.

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

Experiential Learning Opportunity: Tlpi Training

Part I July 29 10:00-11:30 am

Part II July 30 9:00-12:00 pm

Contact sulyn.bodnaresko1@ucalgary for information.



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

August 12 - 15
MacEwan Hall, UCalgary

[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](#)

Reconciliation Walk

September 20 9:45 - 3:30 pm, South Glenmore Park

Roughly 16 km walk, 9:45am - 1:15 walk, followed by lunch and speeches.

[Register to join.](#)

Indigenous Accelerator Book Club

September and October we are reading Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Please email sulyn.bodnaresko1@ucalgary to pick up a free copy of the book.

Gairdner Winners' Tour:

Meet with [Dr. Gelareh Zadeh](#) as part of the

Gairdner winners' tour to a few select Canadian institutions

Oct 20: Group A: 9 - 9:45 am; Group B: 10 - 10:45 am

Email ccpoon@ucalgary.ca to reserve your spot- **spots may be limited.**

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.

2026 International Paediatric Brain Injury Society Conference

April 29 - May 2, 2026

Location TBA, Calgary

Submit proposal by August 17

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

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