THE Gairdner Symposium

SAVE THE DATE | November 6, 2019

We are excited to announce that ACHRI will be hosting The Gairdner Symposium 2019 ‘Precision Medicine’ at the University of Calgary. Please SAVE THE DATE on your calendar as we prepare to send out the registration and program. The Gairdner Foundation was established in 1957 with the main goal of recognizing and rewarding international excellence in fundamental research that impacts human health. We are honoured by this opportunity.

ACHRI 10th Anniversary

REGISTER NOW | May 29, 2019

ACHRI Symposium and Anniversary Celebration with special guests university President Dr. Ed McCauley, Dr. Brent Scott and community supporters. This week on our ACHRI 10th Anniversary Celebration series, we showcase the outstanding child health research of Dr. Adam Kirton. He and his team at the Alberta Children’s Hospital are among only a few centres in the world conducting research on novel brain-computer interface (BCI) systems for children. His research aims to help the most severely disabled children better interact with the world, in ways they’ve never done before. READ

Recognition

Dr. Yeates honoured with Killam Professorship

Congratulations! Dr. Keith Yeates is one of five University of Calgary professors who has received the prestigious Killam Annual Professorship, selected for demonstrating excellence in research and serving their community outside the university. Dr. Yeates is one of the world’s leading researchers in the field of pediatric traumatic brain injury and concussion, and the most highly published author in this field over the past decade. Yeates’s research and training programs at UCalgary are supported by the Ronald and Irene Ward Chair in Paediatric Brain Injury. Read

Web Site Update

ACHRI moving to new Drupal 8 website

We need your feedback! Please fill out our brief user survey. Your responses and comments will help guide the planning and strategic direction of the new ACHRI website on Drupal 8. Deadline this week. SURVEY

Publication


Research reveals extent of maternal exposure to toxic metals
Dr. Deb Dewey and a team of researchers has studied arsenic and mercury levels in pregnant women living in gold mining areas of Tanzania, an area of public health concern by the United Nations because of the association with adverse birth and child developmental outcomes. The team includes Drs. Jennifer Hatfield and Francois Bernier, and Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship recipient Elias Nyanza. The findings are published in the journal *Environmental Research*.

Shedding light on glioblastoma
Pediatric glioblastoma is a lethal cancer with no effective therapies. Dr. Marco Gallo and his lab have published findings in the journal *Cancer Research* which elucidate how pediatric glioblastoma evolves at relapse. The first author on the paper is MSc student, Mary Hoffman. These findings support an important role for slow-cycling stem cell populations in contributing to recurrences. Dr. Gallo is a member of the Genes, Development and Health Theme and holds the Canada Research Chair in Brain Cancer Epigenomics.

Welcome Dr. Miranda Fidler-Benaoudiaian
Dr. Miranda Fidler-Benaoudia, PhD joins the Healthy Outcomes Theme as a full member. She is an adjunct assistant professor in the departments of Community Health Sciences and Oncology. Dr. Fidler-Benaoudia's research focuses primarily on understanding the late-effects of cancer and its treatment among survivors originally diagnosed during childhood and adolescence.

AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS to the 2018 Department of Pediatrics Innovation Awards

- Dr. Kara Murias Complex Attention and Executive Function Evaluation Project
- Drs. Alberto Nettel-Aguirre, Katie Chaput, Suzanne Tough, Amy Metcalf and Natalie Scime Breastfeeding intentions, outcomes and perceptions of support in women with pre-existing conditions - Motherhood and Chronic illness mixed methods cohort study
- Drs. Susan Samuel, Kyleigh Schraeder, Jeff Bakal, Gina Dimitropoulos, Andrew Mackie, Kerry McBrien, Alberto Nettel-Aguirre, Daniele Pacaud, Scott Patten, Cathie Scott, Judy Seidel and Jennifer Zwicker Evaluating the impact of primary care patient-provider relationships on emergency department utilization by adolescents and young adults with chronic conditions

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Inaugural ACHRI All Member Retreat
December 9 & 10, 2019  We are pleased to share with you the dates for the upcoming ACHRI All Member Retreat in Banff. This retreat will showcase excellence in child health research with internal and external speakers, and opportunities for trainee scholar presentations. Please hold these dates in your calendar as registration will open shortly.
The Canadian Child Health Clinician Scientist Program

The Calgary chapter is hosting a clinician scientist networking evening on May 7, 2019. We invite all clinician scientists and also trainees who are interested in being a clinician scientist to join us for this event. Clinicians from all disciplines are welcome. Your hosts will be Marinka Twilt, Brian Brooks (CCHCSP Centre Leaders), and Susan Samuel (CCHCSP Director). Please RSVP to Janet Wu (janet.wu@ahs.ca) by end of April 15, 2019.

UCAN CAN-DU Childhood Arthritis and Beyond Conference is bringing together world-renowned academic and industry experts, clinicians, researchers, and patients and their families to discuss lessons learned in childhood arthritis and to build the future of research. The conference is from April 23 to April 26 at Lake Louise, Alberta. It will be followed by a Charity Bike Ride across the Rockies. REGISTER

TRAINEE UPDATE

ACHRI STEP and HBI REALISE Present: Purposeful Public Speaking Workshop. May 7, 2019, 9am - 12pm HSC 1405A
Do you want to learn how to better engage your audience, retain their attention, and share your knowledge in a way that is natural to you? Attend this workshop to develop the skills necessary to take that first step in becoming a more natural and confident public speaker. Facilitated by Gord Aker, Trainee Weekly update Professional Certified Coach, Register

Trainee Weekly update

CONFERENCES and LECTURES : Calendar

Lectures

NEW April 16 | 11:00am - 12:30pm PRIHS information session
Where: Foothills Campus, Health Sciences Centre (HSC), Theatre 4
RSVP

April 18 | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm AHS Community Education Service Lectures
Title: Optimal Parenting in the First 2000 Days
Speaker: Dr. Sheri Madigan
Location: Auditorium, 4th Floor ACH

April 23 | 12:00pm - 1:00 pm Child Health Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Nicole Racine
Location: Conference room, 4th floor ACH

April 29 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
Dr. James Rivello, Texas Children’s Hospital
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH

Conferences

April 23-26
Childhood Arthritis & Beyond Meeting
Lessons learned in childhood arthritis and the future of research
Program and register here

May 6
Knowledge and Exchange Forum on Brain and Mental Health
Register here

May 22
Vi Riddell Pediatric Rehabilitation Research Symposium
Register here

May 29
Child Health Research Symposium and 10th Anniversary Celebration
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Janet Rossant, PhD, FRS, FRSC

Program and register here

June 5

Owerko Centre Conference
Speakers: Dr. Yona Lunsky, PhD and Dr. Russell Schachar, MD
Location: Theatre Four, HSC Foothills Campus
Program and register here

Nov. 6

ACHRI hosted Gairdner Symposium on Precision Medicine
Location: Libin Theatre, HSC Foothills Campus

Dec. 9 -10

ACHRI All Member Retreat
Location: Banff Centre of the Arts
Registration opening soon

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