The Child Health and Wellness Initiative is moving forward with plans to engage the child health research community at UCalgary and beyond to build partnerships, connections and advance research. As part of the planning, a series of town halls are being arranged to facilitate this conversation among researchers, families, health-care providers, community organizations and policy-makers. More information will be coming shortly from VP Research with the town hall details and registration! We hope everyone can attend!

**Save these dates**

- **June 4** 3:30-5:00pm  Precision Child Health
- **June 10** 12:00-1:30pm  Brain Development, Function and Mental Health
- **June 12** (time tba)  Maternal, Newborn and Child Health
- **June 25** 12:00-1:30pm  Big Data and Social Determinants of Child Health and Wellness
- **June (tba)** 3:30-5:00pm  Care Transformation for Child Health

**CONGRATULATIONS DR. JENN BRENNER, MD**

The campus community came together on April 29 to celebrate the winners of the University of Calgary Internationalization Achievement Awards. The event recognizes and celebrates the outstanding contributions to excellence in global relations and alliances. We congratulate Dr. Jenn Brenner who received a Career Achievement Award. Dr. Brenner is the director of Global Maternal Newborn and Child Health at the Cumming School of Medicine. Read

**PUBLICATION**

**Congratulations Dr. Chad Bousman, PhD**

Dr. Bousman has published findings in the journal *Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics*, providing the first step-by-step guide for how to select a pharmacogenetic test for clinical use. The article discusses the various resources that will increase the probability of selecting tests with acceptable analytical and clinical validity. Dr. Bousman was recently awarded a grant from Alberta Innovates in collaboration with Dr. Katherine Altschul at the University of Alberta to develop and pilot pharmacogenomic testing in mental health.
ACHRI Trainee Publication Award - Deadline May 15, 2019
These awards are competitive internal awards for the purpose of recognizing trainee achievement and excellence in child health research. Papers must be published in the calendar year prior to the application deadline. (i.e., January – December). Apply
Information
Summer Student Workshop - May 9 Noon - 1pm
The Owerko Centre & ACHRI Summer Student Workshop Series are workshops specifically designed for undergraduate summer students. How to do a literature review. Location: Child Development Centre, Third Floor CDC - Green Room. Register
For more information, visit weekly training post

CIHR-SPOR OPPORTUNITY

CIHR SPOR National Network Call
MICYRN, through its Clinical Trials program, KidsCAN Trials, is highly interested in submitting a competitive application in response to a call to continue building a sustainable infrastructure to optimize the delivery of clinical trials in children in Canada. MICYRN/KidsCAN trials aims to be the Canadian coordinating and advisory network and infrastructure for pediatric clinical trials. We are inviting those interested in providing a trial for consideration to submit a 0.5-page summary of the proposed trial via email to MICYRN's Scientific Director Therry.lacaze@ahs.ca

ACHRI PUBLICATIONS

Printed copies of our ACHRI 10th Anniversary Celebration publications are available. Copies of the two publications will be sent out to all members. If you would like any printed copies, please email deanna.kweens@ucalgary.ca. Digital copies are also available here.

NEW MEMBER

Welcome to new member
Tanya Spence, MN, joins the Healthy Outcomes Theme as an associate member. Spence is a clinical adjunct professor with a research interest in virtual education to support the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit's complex life-saving therapy called Extracorporeal life support (ECLS). Current educational curriculum is delivered in traditional ways and through low- and high-fidelity simulation. The addition of virtual games would enhance education by allowing learners to test knowledge through the interactive platform and have access to learning frequently over time to improve knowledge retention.

CONFERENCES and LECTURES: Calendar

Lectures
May 6 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Patricia Pelufo Silveira, MD, PhD
Title: Prenatal adversity, gene networks and the development of individual differences in child behaviour
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH

May 7 | 12:00pm - 1:00pm Child Health Research Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Alberto Nettel-Aguirre, PhD
Location: Conference Rooms 4th Floor ACH

May 13 | 8:30am - 9:30am Developmental Neurosciences Grand Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Patrick Shannon, MD, FRCPC (Neuropathology)
Title: 7th Annual Dr. Harvey Sarnat Lectureship: The adverse intrauterine environment: common patterns of brain injury and what they mean
Location: Auditorium 4th Floor ACH
May 14, | 12:00pm -1:00pm Child Health Research Rounds
Speaker: Dr. Erin Hetherington, PhD
Location: Conference Rooms 4th floor ACH

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

May 13 - 15 (Edmonton)
Alberta Spor Support Conference - Impact and Opportunities
Register & Program

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 Lunksy, PhD and Dr. Russell Schachar, MD
Location: Theatre Four, HSC Foothills Campus
Program and register here

Nov. 6
ACHRI hosting 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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