



# IHDCYH News

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## Message from the Scientific Director



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In July, IHDCYH hosted its 9<sup>th</sup> annual Summer Institute in Maternal Fetal and Pediatric Pharmacology. The weeklong course combines expert lectures, group discussions and hands on learning in the area of therapeutics during pregnancy, the perinatal period and in children. The Institute proved to be very successful once again with 17 participants from Canada, United States and Sweden joined by a distinguished international faculty. I am pleased with the success of this Institute in continuing the education of our community's researchers and look forward to introducing new Summer Institutes in other areas of reproductive, child and youth health in the future.

This month, IHDCYH is conducting a survey to evaluate the effectiveness of our communications methods in reaching out to our community. We kindly ask that you take a moment to complete [this survey](#), to help us determine the best way to reach out to you.

I hope you are enjoying a restful summer and wish you all the best in your endeavours this Fall.

Dr Shoo K. Lee  
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## Funding Success Story

### The Experience and Resolution of Moral Distress in Paediatric Intensive Care Teams: A Canadian Perspective University of Alberta

In a healthcare setting, health professionals are likely to face a moral issue at some point in their careers. This moral distress can lead to anger and frustration and have an impact on the level of care they give to their patients. Dr Wendy Austin and her team at the University of Alberta conducted a study looking at moral distress issues in Paediatric Intensive Care Units (PICUs) in Canada. By collecting real stories from healthcare professionals, they were able to identify key ethical issues facing professionals in the PICU. Many strategies to resolve moral distress were identified from these first-hand experiences, which may ultimately help enhance the practice environment in PICUs, and thus the level of care for patients and families

For more information about Dr Austin and her team's work, please visit the University of Alberta's [PICU Moral Distress website](#).



## News about CIHR's Planning and Dissemination Programs

Please note that the [Planning Grant](#) and [Dissemination Events](#) programs be discontinued after the Fall 2013 competition. CIHR will continue to support these activities through the Institute Community Support (ICS) Program going forward.

The new planning and dissemination program under the ICS model is proposed to launch twice per year, with application intakes in February and August. The first launch is planned for December 2013 with an application deadline in February, 2014 and funding start date in June, 2014.

Please visit [ResearchNet](#) in December 2013 for more details on this funding opportunity

If you have any questions about the ICS Program, please contact Adrian Puga, Assistant Director, Institute Affairs at [adrian.puga@cihr-irsc.gc.ca](mailto:adrian.puga@cihr-irsc.gc.ca) or 613-941-8596.

## SPOR Update

Subscribe to [SPOR Update](#)! This new e-bulletin provides the latest news on the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR), including research news, funding opportunities, workshops, and more.

## Funding Opportunities

### Operating Grant: Population Health Intervention Research

This funding opportunity will support the prompt initiation of population health intervention research on rapidly unfolding programs, policies and resource distribution approaches that have been initiated by others (e.g., policy makers) and have the potential to impact health and health equity at the population level.

[Click here](#) for more information.

## Meetings and Events

### SAVE THE DATE: IHDCYH New Investigator Workshop Wednesday, October 30, 2013, Metropolitan Hotel Vancouver

IHDCYH will be hosting a one-day workshop and reception in conjunction with its Institute Advisory Board meeting in Vancouver, BC. This workshop is for new investigators and postdoctoral fellows from Canadian universities, hospitals, and research institutes.

The focus of the workshop is career development. It will feature sessions on grant writing, publishing, running a lab or a research team and developing a research program, with mentoring provided by senior researchers.

Attendees are requested to register with CIHR-IHDCYH, as attendance will be restricted due to space limitations.

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### First International Conference on Prevention of FASD

**September 23-25, 2013  
Edmonton, Alberta**

#### Shaw Conference Centre

The conference will serve as an international knowledge exchange and networking forum for those interested in FASD prevention, bringing together key experts from around the globe.

[Click here](#) to register.

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