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Funding Reminders

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[Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation Pediatric Oncology Student Training Program](#) – May 1, 2017

[Have a Heart Bursary Program](#) – May 2, 2017

For additional funding opportunities visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/>.

Upcoming Events

MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar Series

Date: Mar 27, 2017; 6:00-7:00pm

Location: Latham Hall, Medical Student Alumni Centre, 2750 Heather Street, Vancouver;

also available via videoconference: KGH 250. Phone in 1-877-792-2770. Meeting ID # 30302

The MD/PhD seminar series aims to illustrate the relationship that exists between clinical practice and medical research, allowing students to hear about various career tracks and ways to combine clinical and research work. In addition to their research, speakers discuss their experiences and training backgrounds, share advice with prospective clinician-scientists, and give their opinions on career development options for clinician-scientists.

Invited speaker **Dr. John Boyd** is an Associate Professor in the Department of Medicine whose research focuses on sudden organ failure as a result of infection (septic shock). His clinical research includes the discovery that excess administration of intravenous fluid can result in decreased survival for patients with septic shock. In this seminar, Dr. Boyd will share his advice for clinician-scientist trainees. A detailed bio sketch is available on the event website.

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SEMINAR SERIES: [Kinesiology Distinguished Speaker Series - Exploring Hypoxia as an Ergogenic Aid for Endurance Athletes](#)

Date: Apr 5, 2017; 12:30-2:00pm

Location: Rudy North Lecture Theatre (LL 101), Djavad Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health, 2215 Wesbrook Mall, Vancouver

The invited speaker is Dr. Jerome Dempsey, Professor Emeritus of Preventive Medicine at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. His research focuses on the basic mechanisms of the respiratory system, as well as critical changes that occur during sleep, exercise, and other environmental stresses of the respiratory system. This event is free to attend, but [registration in advanced is required](#).

[UBC School of Nursing EDGE Film Festival](#)

Date: Apr 6, 2017; 7:00-9:30pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)

Location: Royal Bank Cinema, Chan Centre, 6265 Crescent Rd, Vancouver

The UBC School of Nursing presents a stunning series of six short films reflecting people's lived experiences and the research-informed programs that have made a difference for them and their families. The event will include an intermission with beverages and appetizers served. Tickets are \$10 per person must be [reserved in advance](#).

Event Reminders

[Celebrate Research Public Lecture 2017](#) – Mar 30, 2017; 6:30-8:00pm

[UBC Centre for Blood Research 2017 Norman Bethune Symposium](#) – Apr 6, 2017;

[Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions](#) – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month

For additional event listing visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/>.

Follow this [link](#) for a list of **ongoing events and seminar series** that may be of interest to MD students.

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

[Call for Abstracts: Personalized Medicine Summit](#)

Date: May 8, 2017 (deadline); June 11-13, 2017 (summit)

Location: Life Sciences Institute, 2350 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver

The Personalized Medicine Summit invites all conference attendees to submit abstracts for a poster presentation relating to the area of personalized medicine. Abstracts will be screened for their relevance to personalized medicine.

The submission deadline is **May 8, 2017**. For detailed abstract submission guidelines, visit the website.

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[Call for Abstracts: Early Years Conference](#)

Date: May 31, 2017 (deadline); Jan 25-27, 2018 (summit)

Location: The Hyatt Regency Vancouver, 655 Burrard Street, Vancouver

UBC Interprofessional Continuing Education's 2018 Early Years Conference will explore the many considerations and practices in work with young children and their families, particularly in the context of a rapidly changing society.

The conference is currently looking for abstracts in the area of childhood development. The submission deadline is **May 31, 2017**. Presenters of accepted abstracts will be offered a reduced fee registration. For submission details, visit the website.

[Tips for Finding Travel Funding for Conferences or Research Exchanges](#)

UBC MD students may be eligible to apply to the [MD Student Travel Award](#) competition run by the FoM Dean's Office, both conference and research exchange travel are eligible. The competition occurs in the fall and operates on a reimbursement basis (i.e. for travel that has already occurred). Additionally, the [Medical Undergraduate Society](#) (MUS) usually runs a travel program for UBC MD students in the spring. MD students should have received an email from the MUS VP Academic earlier this week with details for the 2017 competition.

In addition to the general [tips for finding funding](#) available on the MD & Undergraduate Student Research website, here are some more tips specific to finding travel funding:

- Many agencies only run travel competitions one or twice per year (and you need to apply prior to travel) so **start looking early**.
 - Ask your Department/Division/Centre/Research Group if they sponsor any travel awards – some do but they aren't always effectively advertised.
 - Check if the conferences you plan to attend offer a travel award. Some conferences may also offer a partial refund of registration fees if you become a member of a related society or volunteer at the conference (e.g. to assist with AV or registration).
 - Check if the societies/journals/etc. affiliated with your conference offer any travel awards.
 - Make a list of the major societies, journals, foundations, funding agencies etc. in your area of research. Think both specific and broad – e.g. if you were studying the physiological mechanisms of diabetes you could look at the Canadian Diabetes Association (specific), and the Physiological Society (broad). If you aren't sure where to start ask your supervisor and/or other researchers in your group (residents, graduate students, etc.) for suggestions. You may also want to conduct a general prospecting search to see if you can come up with additional agencies to add to your list – e.g. search keywords, research topics etc. (Diabetes charity, Diabetes foundation, Physiology societies, diabetes funding, etc.).
 - Once you have a list of potential agencies search their websites for appropriate funding competitions. Look in sections such as "Research", "Fellowships", "Students/Trainees", "Funding", "Grants", etc.
 - If you are travelling for a research exchange check if your host institution offers funding for incoming students. Additionally, ensure that you include local agencies/institutions on your list when doing any online prospecting.
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Reminders

[University of Toronto Medical Journal – Call for Submissions](#) – Apr 1, 2017

Additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the Student Research website: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/>.