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Funding Opportunities and Awards

**Kloshe Tillicum CIHR-IAPH Aboriginal Health Research Awards**

**Deadline: January 2, 2013**

Kloshe Tillicum, one of nine Network Environments for Aboriginal Health Research (NEAHR) in Canada was developed through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research–Institute of Aboriginal Peoples Health (CIHR-IAPH) network initiative to improve health for all Aboriginal peoples. By creating gathering spaces for researchers and communities, building community capacity in Aboriginal health research, as well as providing Aboriginal health research scholarships to students, Kloshe Tillicum is working towards this goal in British Columbia (BC) and the Yukon Territory (YT). There are two types of Aboriginal health research training opportunities:

**Clinician Research Mentorship Opportunity** – Up to 3 awards ($3,000 each) are available to medical students, family practice residents, specialty residents (and other students in health care professions) who are interested in Aboriginal health research and who are enrolled in a degree program.

**Undergraduate Aboriginal Health Research Training Opportunity** – Up to 3 awards ($3,000 each) are available to undergraduate students with an interest in Aboriginal health research enrolled in year 3 or 4 of a degree program.

See the funding announcement (PDF hyperlinked above) for application and eligibility information.
AANS Medical Student Summer Research Fellowship
Deadline: February 1, 2013

The American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) through the Neurosurgery Research and Education Foundation is offering the AANS Medical Student Summer Research Fellowship (MSSRF) program. Twenty (20) Fellowships in the amount of $2,500 will be awarded to medical students in the United States or Canada who have completed one or two years of medical school and wish to spend a summer working in a neurosurgical laboratory, mentored by a neurosurgical investigator who is a member of the AANS and will sponsor the student.

AMS Hannah Studentship
Deadline: February 1, 2013

In partnership with the Canadian Society for the History of Medicine, 3-month studentships are available to undergraduate students (both MD and non-MD) registered in a Canadian University to conduct a project in the history of medicine (broadly defined as the history of health, disease or medicine).

Funding Reminders
Chec-Cesc Virtual Patient Challenge 2012 – Letter of Intent Dec 5, 2012; Application Jan 9, 2013
Parkinson’s Disease Foundation Summer Student Fellowship – Jan 28, 2013
Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Summer Studentships – Jan 31, 2013
Vanderbilt International Scholar Program – Feb 1, 2013
American Physiological Society (APS) Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships – Feb 2, 2013
American Physiological Society Undergraduate Research Excellence Fellowships – Feb 2, 2013
Canadian Blood Services (CBS) Summer Internship Program – Feb 15, 2013
William B. Bean Student Research Award – March 1, 2013
BC Clinical Genomics Travel Awards – ongoing

For additional funding opportunities visit: [http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/](http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/)

Upcoming Events

Medical Tourism in South Asia: Moving From Brain Drain to Brain Gain
Date: Monday, November 19, 2012; 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Location: Coach House, Green College (6201 Cecil Green Park Road), UBC

With the 2012 global turnover expected to reach $100-billion USD, medical tourism (travel across international borders to obtain health care) is rapidly expanding. India and Thailand are currently the
lead global service suppliers. Unfortunately, providing health care to tourists may exacerbate the already critical shortages of health professionals in these countries’ underserved sectors—in remote rural areas and in the public sector. What can be done to improve the impact of medical tourism on health worker availability in these sectors? State regulation of medical tourism might increase prices and send tourists to competitors. International regulation and codes tend to be toothless. Speaker Nir Eyal (Global Health and Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School) proposes an ethical accreditation system that might improve health worker availability at an acceptable cost. Accreditation could promote global health in additional areas. This academic event hosted by Green College is open to the University community and general public without charge. For more information, contact gc.events@ubc.ca or visit www.greencollege.ubc.ca.

**UBC Animal Care Committee – Drop-in sessions**

**Date: December 14, 2012; 9:00-11:00 am**

Location: UBC Office of Research Services at 102-6190 Agronomy Road

The Animal Care Committee offers regular drop-in hours for those wishing to meet with a member from the Animal Care Committee. These times facilitate dialogue on animal-related matters, such as provisos related to a protocol, assistance and advice on submitting a new protocol, or information on animal procedures.

**Event Reminders**

_Pain, the Brain and Decisions_ – Nov 17, 2012

_Café Scientifique: Paralympic wheelchair athletes: struggles behind the gold_ – Nov 19, 2012

_Café Scientifique Victoria: Probiotics for Better Health: Time To Change Gears_ – Nov. 20th; 6:30 pm

_Harnessing the power of the world’s tiniest surgeons: Research and Clinical use of Maggot Therapy for the treatment of Chronic Wounds_ – Nov 20, 2012; 12:30-1:30 pm

_SFU Café Scientifique - Self defense: How the immune system protects our body against infections_ – November 21, 2012; 7:00-8:30 pm

_PHC Own Your Own Health Series: Let's Talk About: Dementia_ – November 21, 2012; 7:00-9:00 pm


CONFERENCE: _PHC Interprofessional Research, Education, & Practice_ – December 3, 2012; 8 am – 4 pm


CONFERENCE: _Canadian Conference on Medical Education_ – April 20-23, 2012

For additional event listing visit: [http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/events/](http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/events/)
Ongoing Seminar Series
Please follow this link for a list of ongoing events and seminar series that may be of interest to MD undergraduate students.

MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar Series

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

This changed my practice (online resource)
UBC Continuing Professional Development (UBC CPD), a division of the Faculty of Medicine, has launched This Changed My Practice (TCMP), an interactive online learning tool for physicians. This site is a made-in-BC resource with a vision to deliver quick summaries of impactful clinical studies, clinical pearls and even practice tips relevant to BC physicians. How is this different from other great resources like InfoPOEMs and other evidence-based medicine resources on the net? Instead of providing summaries of trials as they come out, we’ve asked our team of contributing physicians which clinical trials or practice tips have truly impacted their practice. Whether it’s a trial which changed their current treatment of a problem, or new data that made them question something they did before, we’ve asked our team of local key opinion leaders to share some of the things that were truly practice-changing. Think of it as sitting down with a trusted colleague and asking them: “what new information changed your practice in the last year?”

Reminders
Statistical Consulting (see Nov 2, 2012 edition)
Resources at UBC Library: Simply Map
Call for Submissions – In Training (Medical Student Online Newspaper)
Research Project seeking assistance – Drs. Goldmand and Sherlock (see Sept 21st edition for details)
New Medical Resources at UBC Library: AnatomyTV, Anatomy and Physiology Online, SMART Imagebase, Dynamed: (see Sept. 7th edition for details)

Remember additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the FoM Research Office Website: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/