PROMOTING HEALTH THROUGH COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH and INNOVATION in NOVA SCOTIA'S EASTERN ZONE

Healthy People and Communities Now and in the Future

Conference Agenda

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:00 – 12:15	Welcome and Opening Remarks
	Dr. Richard MacKinnon, CBU Vice-President, Academic and Provost and Dr. Kevin Orrell Deputy Minister of Health and Wellness and CEO of the Office of Health Care Professionals Recruitment in Nova Scotia.
12:15-12:20	Indigenous Welcome
	Stephen Augustine, Associate Vice President, Indigenous Affairs and Unama'ki College
12:20 – 12:35	Building Research & Innovation Capacity in Eastern Zone – Shared Objectives for Community Health
	Dr. Jane Lewis, Centre for Health, Wellness and Extended Learning, and Brett MacDougall, Executive Director of Operations, Eastern Zone, Nova Scotia Health
12:35 – 1:40	Research Abstract Presentations
	MicroResearch: Building Healthier Communities through Research Capacity Dr. Noni MacDonald, MD PhD IWK | Dr. Bob Bortolussi, MD PhD IWK, Dal| Kelly Hunter
	Walking Through an Uncertain Landscape: Fostering relationally engaged and ethically grounded community-based research Dr. Lacie White, PhD CBU
	Effects of nature soundscape on the autonomic nervous system and attentional capacity Dr. Geoff Carre, PhD CBU | Michael Wall, PhD (c) UofT
	Healthy and Happy Aging in Cape Breton and Nova Scotia: What We Can Learn from a Review of Programs Across the Country Dr. Bishakha Mazumdar, PhD CBU | Dr. Kevin McKague, PhD CBU | Maya Giorbelidze, CBU

1:40 – 1:55	Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research in Cape Breton
	Dr. David Anderson, Dean of Medicine, Dalhousie University, and Principle Investigator, Maritime SPOR Unit (MSSU)
1:55 – 2:10	Break
2:10 – 2:25	Research Abstract Presentation
	Clinical Trials at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital Michele Chappel, RN NSH
2:25 – 2:40	Collaboration in Action – Nova Scotia Health and CBU
	CBU's Dr. Corrine McIsaac and Dr. Janet Kuhnke, with Debbie Lelievre, Nova Scotia Health present: Strategies to Address the Barriers for Implementation of Best Practice in Pressure Injury Prevention and Care within Nova Scotia Health's Eastern Zone
2:40 – 3:25	Keynote Presentation Annette Verschuren O.C., CBU Chancellor, Chair & CEO of NRStor Inc Driving Innovation in Cape Breton
3:25 – 3:55	Research Abstract Presentations
	The Role of Simulation in Improving Health Care Systems Dr. Vrinda Krishna, PhD CBU | Dr. Hamid Afshari, PhD CBU **Toward High Quality GAN-Synthesized Computed Tomography Images Using Quantitative Metrics** Dr. Tynan Stevens, MD NSH
3:55 – 4:15	Leveraging Innovation to Improve Health and Health Care: Nova Scotia Health's Innovation Team
	Brittney MacKinnon, Director of Innovation, Nova Scotia Health Margaret Palmeter, Director of Business Development, Nova Scotia Health
4:15	Day 1 Wrap-up and Introduction to Day 2

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021

8:30 – 8:45	Building Research & Innovation Capacity in Nova Scotia
	Opening Remarks Dr. Gail Tomblin Murphy, Vice President of Research, Innovation & Discovery, and Chief Nurse Executive, Nova Scotia Health
8:45 – 9:00	Academic and Health Authority Partnerships – A Comprehensive Scoping Review
	Dr. Britney Benoit, Assistant Professor, St. Francis Xavier University and Health Sciences Research Chair, Nova Scotia Health
9:00 – 9:50	Research Abstract Presentations
	Homelessness and Covid-19: Findings from Two Health Disasters Dr. Catherine Leviten-Reid, PhD CBU | Dr. Jeff Karabanow, PhD Dal | Dr. Haorui Wu, PhD UofT | Dr. Jean Hughes, PhD Dal | Kaitrin Doll, PhD (c) UofT | Meghan Richardson, MSc (c) UofL **Getting the Whole Picture: An Anthropological Epidemiology for Future Epidemic Response** Dr. Joseph Parish, PhD CBU
9:50 – 10:00	Break
10:00 – 10:15	Increasing access to life-saving interventions: Nova Scotia Health's Clinical Trials Unit Break
	Dr. Jordan Warford, Senior Director of Research, Nova Scotia Health
10:15 – 10:50	Research Abstract Presentations
	"They say 'we're sorry', but sorry doesn't really help": Results from COVID-19 Rapid Research Study on Dementia Care in the Community in Eastern Nova Scotia Dr. Katie Aubrecht, PhD StFX | Dr. Stephanie Mason, PhD StFX | Trudy Flynn, Maritime Strategy for Patient Oriented Research | Dr. Elaine Moody, PhD Dal | Dr. Meaghan Sim, RD PhD NSH | Kristin Hadfield, Trinity College | Mary Jean Hande, MSVU | Michelle DePodesta, NSH **Maskwiomin: Study of an Almost Forgotten Traditional Mi'kmaq Skin Remedy made from Birch Bark**

Dr. Matthias Bierenstiel, PhD CBU | Dr. Tuma Young, PhD CBU

10:50 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:30	Tajikeimɨk: Priorities for Health Transformation
	Sharon Rudderham, Director of Health Transformation, Tajikeimɨk, Mi'kmaw Health and Wellness, with Lindsay Peach, Executive Director, Tajikeimɨk, Mi'kmaw Health and Wellness
11:30-12:30	Keynote Presentation Dr. Brian Goldman Disruptive Innovation and Teamwork
12:30-1:00	Outcomes & Actions - The Way Forward
	Dr. Tara Sampalli, Senior Scientific Director Research, Innovation and Discovery, Nova Scotia Health