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Welcome to to the inaugural Social Dimensions of Health Conference!

Building on critical, emancipatory and eco-social theories of health promotion and practices, this interactive, multi-disciplinary initiative is thrilled to have you here today showing your support! Our committee here at the University of Victoria, comprised of faculty, student researchers, artists and community practitioners has worked incredibly hard to gather resources to foster knowledge exchange by launching this one-day, intensive conference. We hope that over the course of the day, numerous conversations take place between and across disciplines, practices, and community. We truly hope you enjoy every aspect of the conference and **thank you** wholeheartedly for participating!

Schedule

TIME	ACTIVITY	LEAD
8:00 - 8:25	Registration and coffee	--
8:30 - 9:00	Indigenous Elder and opening remarks	Bill White and Robert Birch
9:00 - 9:40	Keynote	Dr. Michael Hayes
9:45 - 10:30	Rapid Fire Oral Presentations	10 Presenters (1 slide, 3 minutes each)
10:30 - 10:55	BREAK	
11:00 - 11:40	SDH Panel	Dr. Joan Wharf-Higgins, Dr. Claire Carlin, Dr. Bonnie Leadbeater
11:45 - 12:00	Interdisciplinary Discussion	Dr. Catherine McGregor and Robert Birch
12:15 - 12:30	HIV Artwork Discussion	Peggy Frank
12:30 - 1:25	LUNCH	
1:30 - 2:15	Rapid Fire Oral Presentations	7 Presenters (1 slide, 3 minutes each)
2:15 - 3:30	Interactive Case Study Presentation	Matthew Gussel
3:30 - 3:45	BREAK	
3:50 - 4:30	Closing Speaker	Dr. Charlotte Loppie
4:30 - 4:40	Closing Remarks	Robert Birch

Opening Ceremony: **Bill White**

Bill White is a graduate and former Aboriginal Liaison Officer at the University of Victoria (1993-2006). Bill has spent many years working in partnership with communities, the education system and traditionally trained elders/Sulalehw from Nanaimo and Cowichan. More recently, he has been involved with Sulalehw from Katzie, Saanich and Qualicum, British Columbia around the application of protocol and teachings to strengthen communities. Bill has extensive experience with delivering cross-cultural workshops and has a true passion to foster a mutual understanding of working Coast Salish values and teachings.

Keynote: **Dr. Michael Hayes**

Why social dimensions of health?



In this talk, Dr. Hayes will reflect upon the social dimensions of health and discuss the significant inter-relationship they have with issues surrounding the distribution of health and illness in society.

At the University of Victoria, Dr. Hayes holds a number of appointments including the Director of the Social Dimensions of Health Program, the Director of the School of Public Health and Social Policy and the inaugural Director of Health Research and Education.

Dr. Hayes also holds positions in the School of Public Health and Social Policy, the Faculty of Human and Social Development, the Division of Medical Sciences as well as the Department of Geography. Prior to joining the faculty at the University of Victoria in 2010, Dr. Hayes was the Associate Dean and co-founder of the Faculty of Health Sciences at SFU, a non-representative on the Federal-Provincial-Territorial Advisory Committee on Population Health (2001-2006) and a member of the Public Health Agency of Canada Expert Advisory Committee on Population Health Promotion (2006-2008).

Dr. Hayes' applies a life-course perspective to explore his research interests including the study of social geographies of health, health inequities, disability, and public policy. Dr. Hayes is a highly sought after keynote speaker at public health conferences and workshops across Canada and we are honoured to have him here with us today!

Morning Rapid Oral Fire Presentations

Perceptions of remote monitoring technologies by clinicians and family caregivers

Debra Sheets*, Ph.D., MSN, FAAN & Cheryl Beach**, Ph.D., PT

*School of Nursing - University of Victoria, **Community Care Initiatives, Island Health

At the Table with People who Use Drugs:

How is power in decision-making being shared?

Lynne Belle-Isle, PhD (c)

Social Dimensions of Health Program, University of Victoria in partnership with the Society of Living Illicit Drug Users and the Drug Users Advocacy League

The impact of interpersonal relationship characteristics on dimensions of health in four sub-Saharan African countries

Samuel Ofori, MHSc

Social Dimensions of Health Program, University of Victoria

Making my way to knowing: Street-involved youth's use of digital technology to access information on-line

Marion Selfridge, MSW, PhD (c)

Social Dimensions of Health Program, University of Victoria

Exploring the impact of a community-based arts programs on the social inclusion of people with dementia

Lycia Rodrigues, BA

Social Dimensions of Health Program, University of Victoria

Association between cognition and personality change in the oldest-old

Tomiko Yoneda*, Andrea M. Piccinin*, PhD, and Boo Johansson**, PhD

*University of Victoria, **University of Gothenburg

OMG! What have I walked into?

The ugly public health debate on e-cigarettes and vapour devices

Renée O'Leary, MA

Social Dimensions of Health Program, University of Victoria

Development of a computerized poverty intervention system for primary care

Selena Davis, MHI, PMP, CPHIMS-CA, PhD Student

School of Health Information Science, University of Victoria

Exploring the process of health management amongst gay men: a grounded theory study

Ingrid Handlovsky, MSN, RN, PhD (c)

School of Nursing, University of British Columbia

The journey to Canadian adulthood (V-HYS)

David Guilbault

V-HYS / WITS Labs, University of Victoria

SDH Panel Discussion



Dr. Joan Wharf-Higgins

Dr. Wharf Higgins is a professor at the University of Victoria, the Canada Research Chair in Health and Society and was recently nominated as one of the top 20 most influential women in sport and physical activity by the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Sport. Dr. Wharf Higgins collaborates with the departments of physiology, psychology, health, nursing and education on various research projects.



Dr. Claire Carlin

Dr. Carlin is a professor in the department of French at the University of Victoria and a specialist in seventeenth-century French literature and culture, and a past president of the North American Society for Seventeenth-Century French Literature. Most recently, her research has focussed on representations of marriage in early modern France thanks to support from two SSHRC grants.



Dr. Bonnie Leadbeater

Dr. Leadbeater is a professor in psychology at the University of Victoria and the director of the Victoria Healthy Youth Survey research. Her research interests include adolescent parenting, emerging adulthood, adolescent depression, resilience in high-risk youth, and the prevention of peer victimization in elementary school children.

Interdisciplinary Discussion

Catherine McGregor



Dr. Catherine McGregor is an Associate Professor with the Department Educational Psychology and Leadership Studies and the Director of Interdisciplinary Studies at the University of Victoria. Dr. McGregor's research interests include social justice leadership, including democratic, distributed, and teacher leadership; civic and social justice learning, including situated- and/or place-based learning; women and gender in leadership and qualitative design in educational research, including narrative and discourse analysis, arts-based, participatory, feminist, critical, and post-structuralist approaches to research. She has been a successful SSHRC grant holder and has also been funded by the Ministry of Education to complete research on quality teaching and learning initiatives in BC (2013; 2014) and to trace the impact of the Aboriginal Enhancement Schools Network (AESN) on Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal learners and teachers (2014). Other recent research has involved exploring the impact of LGBTQQ policy measures on hetero-normative learning environments and school cultures.

HIV Artwork Discussion

Peggy Frank, Artist

Peggy Frank is a sculpture artist living in Oak Bay, Victoria who has lived with HIV for over 25 years. She created her 7-foot tall sculpture, "This is Not a Cocktail Party", using over 2000 personal pill bottles. The sculpture represents the pill burden of living with HIV, the misused terminology in the medical profession and HIV treatment in Canada.



Afternoon Rapid Fire Oral Presentations

Liquid medical model and tranny cyborgs
Daphne Shaed, University of Victoria

Improving the sexual health of young women who head households in Nakuru County, Kenya: Suffering and social support
Laura Lee, MSc, PhD (c)
University of British Columbia

A coordinated analysis of the mediating role of vascular health, physical activity, cognitive activity and depressive symptoms in the association between social activity and cognitive function
Cassandra Brown*, MSc, Annie Robitaille*, PhD, Elizabeth M Zelinski**, PhD, Roger A Dixon***, PhD, Scott M Hofer*, PhD and Andrea M. Piccinin*, PhD
*University of Victoria, **University of Southern California, ***University of Alberta

*Moving towards greater justice:
An action research project on public transit affordability in Toronto*
Stefanie Hardman, MES
Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group (VIPIRG), University of Victoria

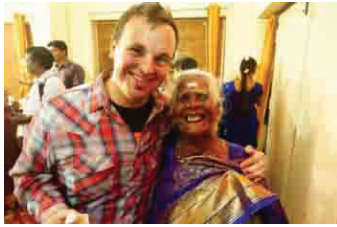
The Consumption of ideas: Canada and South Africa's mutual influence on human rights and the response to tuberculosis
Adam Houston, JD, MA, LL.M
Vancouver Island Human Rights Coalition (VIHRC)

*Supporting continuity through interprofessional care planning in acute child and adolescent mental health:
An evidence informed practice innovation at Interior Health*
Heather Owens*, RPN, IH, Amanda Pogany*, BSN, IH, Carla Mantie*, RPN, MA, IH; Michelle Padley*, BSN, IH; Cheryl Zawaduk**, BSN, MSc, EdD., TRU
*Interior Health, **Thompson Rivers University

Should public health support do-it-yourself (DIY) urbanism?
Ross Graham*, MSc, Shannon L Sibbald**, PhD, Jason Gilliland**, PhD
*School of Public Administration, University of Victoria in partnership with Medical Affairs, Island Health, **Western University

Interactive Case Study Presentation

Matthew Gusul & the Applied Theatre India Field School



Led by PhD candidate Matthew Gusul, 13 Department of Theatre undergraduate students traveled to India's Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry regions to participate in the field school throughout October and November 2014. By positively highlighting the life experiences of residents at the Tamaraikulam Elders' Village and 750

young students of the Isha Vidhya Matriculation School, Gusul and his undergraduate students applied intergenerational theatre techniques to encourage seniors and rural youth to perform their own stories. Working with a team of Indian directors, this endeavour fostered the development of strong community relations and created new lines of dialogue across generations.

Closing Speaker: Dr. Charlotte Loppie



Dr. Charlotte Loppie is an Associate Professor in the School of Public Health and Social Policy, Faculty of Human and Social Development, University of Victoria, Director of the Centre for Aboriginal Health Research (UVIC) and Editor of the International Journal of Indigenous Health. Dr. Reading has undertaken research and published in areas such as: Aboriginal health inequities, Aboriginal HIV/AIDS, social determinants of Aboriginal health, racism and cultural safety, cancer among Aboriginal peoples, Aboriginal ethics and research capacity building as well as the sexual and reproductive health of Aboriginal women. Dr. Loppie has extensive experience in presenting at conferences across Canada and we are thankful to have her close today's session!

Conference Organizing Team

Phuc Dang, Co-chair, Conference Coordinator



Phuc has a strong interest and passion for public health services and systems research (PHSSR) as she completed a Bachelor of Public Health (Honours) and Master of Arts in Applied Health Sciences (Community Health) from Brock University in St. Catharines, ON. She moved to Victoria, BC in September 2013 to work with Dr. Marjorie MacDonald and Dr. Bernie Pauly on their Equity Lens in Public Health (ELPH) project and on her doctoral dissertation work focused on the role of health equity in developing performance management systems in BC's public health system.

Taylor Hainstock, Co-chair, Conference Coordinator & Registration



Taylor is a second year Masters of Arts student in the Social Dimensions of Health Program under the co-supervision of Dr. Denise Cloutier and Dr. Margaret Penning. Taylor is also a graduate student affiliate and research assistant at UVic's Centre on Aging. Her thesis project pairs her interests in aging, rural-urban health, transitions between long-term care (LTC) services, and 'care management' as a unique form of care provided by family caregivers. Taylor is the 2014/15 recipient of the Dr. David Chuenyan Lai Scholarship from the Centre on Aging and a past UVic Graduate Award recipient.

Robert Birch, Co-chair, Conceptual Framework & Moderator



Robert is a PhD student in the Social Dimensions of Health program and a student researcher with the CARBC under the direct supervision of Dr. Eric Roth. He is currently working on two projects, the CIHR funded Positive Deviance project and a SSHRC funded project introducing Canadian high school students to Performance Studies curriculum. Robert is a co-editor of a new interdisciplinary journal exploring gay cis/transgender male sexuality, coming out in the summer of 2015.

Jennifer McConnell, Co-Chair, Media & Promotion



Jennifer is a Social Dimensions of Health PhD student under the supervision of Dr. Patti-Jean Naylor in the department of Exercise Science, Physical, and Health Education where Jennifer is also a sessional lecturer. Her research interests include child and youth health, obesity, physical activity and health promotion. She was a Canadian Obesity Network Research Boot Camp Trainee and co-led the pilot of the Intergenerational Physical Activity Leadership Program with a local elementary school and seniors group. For her dissertation research she is investigating the longitudinal social and behavioural determinants of obesity in a cohort of BC youth and young adults.

Trudy Pauluth-Penner, Co-Chair, Arts Workshop Development



Trudy Pauluth-Penner is currently a doctoral candidate in University of Victoria's interdisciplinary Social Dimensions of Health program, combining gerontology, and reminiscence theatre. Her research explores how active engagement in family reminiscence theatre enhances quality-of-life for older adults with in care with mild to moderate cognitive impairment. Previous to the Ph.D. study, Trudy completed a B.F.A. (Theatre-in-Education) and M.Ed. (Interdisciplinary Studies - Counseling Psychology & Leadership Studies, and Applied Theatre - theatre for educational, social and community change). In 2002, she founded Applied Theatre Consulting Services which offered community programming in arts, education and health contexts with diverse ages. Trudy holds the society for the Arts in Healthcare Blair Sadler International Healing Arts Award first place in recognition for Excellence using Arts to improve Quality of the Healing experience.

NOTES



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Lastly, **we would like to thank each and every one of our panel members, presenters, and attendees** for participating in this exciting, inaugural event! Without your help and the help of everyone listed above, this conference would not have been possible.

We look forward to seeing you next year!

Sincerely,

**The Social Dimensions of Health
Conference Planning Committee**



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