

**DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY's Communications Bulletin – April 15, 2009**

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**1. TRI-UNIVERSITY SYMPOSIUM**

**May 13, 2009**

UBC Department of Psychiatry will host a one day symposium at UBC to showcase research being done in the department and the international collaborate sites such as *Seoul National University* in Korea, the *Institute of Psychiatry* in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and at the *University of Porto Alegre* in Brazil.

The exact location and program details will be available in the near future.

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## 2. DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY

~~June 11, 2009~~ → **June 04, 2009**

**\*\*\* Please note that the date has been changed from June 11<sup>th</sup> to June 4<sup>th</sup>.**

Join your colleagues and trainees to hear about latest research being conducted at UBC.

There will be opportunities for oral and poster presentations. Present your best research work and get the award (A total of four Awards for best poster and best oral presentations will be available).

**Abstract submission deadline for trainees is **April 24, 2009**.**

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## 3. WORLD CONGRESS ON HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

**Date: September 12 – 15, 2009**

**Place: Westin Bayshore**

**Earlybird Registration Deadline: May 1, 2009**

**Abstract Submission Deadline: June 1, 2009**

The 2009 WCHD will be organized by a committee led by Dr. Michael R. Hayden and Dr. Blair R. Leavitt. Huntington's disease (HD) researchers, clinicians, and members of the HD community from around the world will convene to participate in the meeting. The scientific program will feature presentations on recent advances in genetics and the disease mechanisms of HD, recent approaches to developing experimental treatments, and the latest findings from clinical trials. The 2009 Congress will also include

presentations by caregivers and international HD organizations, with sessions on social, historical and ethical perspectives of HD. We look forward to seeing you in 2009! Online registration and abstract submission are now available. Visit [www.worldcongress-hd.net](http://www.worldcongress-hd.net) for more details.

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#### **4. Appointment announcement of Dr. Allan Jones, Regional Associate Dean, Interior BC & AVP Medical Sciences, Okanagan, UBC**

##### **MEMORANDUM**

Date: April 2, 2009

To: All members of the Faculty of Medicine – faculty, staff and students  
UBC Office of the President, & Provost’s Office, UBC Vancouver & Okanagan  
VP’s Medicine – BC Health Authorities

From: Gavin Stuart, Dean  
Alaa S. Abd-El-Aziz, Provost (UBC Okanagan)

Re: Appointment of Dr. Allan Jones  
Regional Associate Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Associate Vice-Provost,  
Medical Sciences (Okanagan) for the Southern Medical Program

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It is our pleasure to announce that effective April 1st, 2009 Dr. Allan Jones assumed his position as the Regional Associate Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Associate Vice-Provost, Medical Sciences (Okanagan) at The University of British Columbia for the Southern Medical Program.

Formerly Dr. Jones held a Professorship within the Department of Medicine and Oncology at the University of Calgary. During his time with the University of Calgary, Dr. Jones held many other senior appointments including Associate Dean Medical Undergraduate Education. He recently returned from a sabbatical in Australia and New Zealand where he studied the Medical Education in various institutions.

We are very pleased that Dr. Jones will be joining the UBC Faculty of Medicine and the UBC Okanagan Office of the Provost. We look forward to the expertise he can bring to both campuses, and to fostering the critical relationship with the Interior Health Authority.

The Southern Medical Program will build upon the success of existing programs in graduate clinical and undergraduate education. It is expected that 32 new students will be enrolled in the Southern Medical Program effective September 2011.

Dr. Jones' contact information will be made available shortly.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Jones into our UBC Community and British Columbia!

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## 5. CANADA SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM

Service Canada (Federal Government) has announced the launch of the Canada Summer Jobs program. This is a wage subsidy program that aims to create full time jobs for youth between the ages of 15 and 30 during the summer months. The subsidy is \$4/hr for every hour the student works.

If you are interested in applying for this funding, UBC's work study program have provided all the information on their website at:

<http://www.students.ubc.ca/facultystaff/wagesubsidy.cfm?page=summerplacement>

If you have any questions, please contact Milad Maymay at 604-822-1613 or [milad.maymay@ubc.ca](mailto:milad.maymay@ubc.ca).

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## 6. HAVING DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS WORKSHOP (see attachment)

Invite to Next Having Difficult Conversations Workshop

**May 13, 2009**

Due to the success and oversubscription of our last Having Difficult Conversations workshop, we have scheduled a repeat of this workshop to take place on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 12: 00 – 5:00 pm. The location will be off campus, at 41<sup>st</sup> and Oak, at the Jewish Community Centre.

**Please RSVP to Andrea Moermann, assistant to Dr. Shaw, at 604-822-0741.**

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## 7. KNOWLEDGE MOBILIZATION WORKS

## **Workshop: Creativity and Experimentation for Knowledge Mobilization**

*Featuring a Keynote by Rick Hansen, Rick Hansen Foundation and World Renowned Athlete and presentations by Sean Muir, Healthy Aboriginal Network, and Steve Kaufmann, former Canadian Diplomat and owner of LingQ.com.*

**Date:** Friday, April 17, 2009  
**Time:** 8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Sheraton Wall Centre  
1088 Burrard Street  
Vancouver, BC

### Workshop Summary:

Making what we know ready for service and action is a complex process. We have an overwhelming quantity of data and information with little meaning. Creating coherence and understanding is crucial.

It is one of the most important skills we need in our knowledge-based society. This complexity requires strong and productive relationships to share ideas, goals, resources, and rewards – no single person, organization, or sector can do this alone.

This is an invitation to participate, as a pioneer in Knowledge Mobilization practice, in the fourth of a series of ten workshops called "Knowledge Mobilization Boot Camps" across Canada for 2009.

You can register here: [http://www.regonline.ca/63367\\_694431J](http://www.regonline.ca/63367_694431J)

For more information, please contact, Peter Levesque at [pnlevesque@gmail.com](mailto:pnlevesque@gmail.com)

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## **8. UBC LIFE SCIENCES INSTITUTE (see attachment)**

**Special LSI Seminar by Dr. Howard Cedar - 'Silence of the Genes'** (flyer attached)

### **Dr. Howard Cedar**

Harry and Helen L. Brenner Professor of Molecular Biology Dept of Cellular Biochemistry & Human Genetics Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel  
2008 Wolf Prize in Medicine Award Recipient

**Date:** Wednesday, April 22, 2009  
**Time:** 11:00 – Noon

**Location:** LSC 3

*Sponsored by the VPRO; hosted by Dr. Christian Naus*

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## **9. UBC BRANCH FOR INTERNATIONAL SURGERY (BIS) (see attachment)**

### **Grants for Research – Surgical Care in Low Resource Regions**

**Deadline: June 15, 2009**

The UBC International Branch for Surgery is offering 4 grants for \$2500 each for residents to undertake research in surgical care in low resource regions. Research proposals must have an education value and benefit the host country. Preference will be given to projects that build on existing initiatives undertaken by UBC surgical-related staff.

Applicants must be Canadian citizens and be enrolled as Residents in the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

For more details please see attached info and application and / or visit their website at <http://www.internationalsurgery.ubc.ca/info.html>.

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## **10. BBVA FOUNDATION**

### **2009 BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards and Culture Awards**

**Nomination Deadline: June 30, 2009**

2009 BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards and Culture Awards seek to recognize and encourage world-class research and artistic creation, prizing contributions of broad impact for their originality and theoretical significance. The name of the scheme is intended to encapsulate both research work that successfully enlarges the scope of our current knowledge – pushing forward the frontiers of the known world – and the meeting and overlap of different disciplinary areas.

The Awards:

Awards will be granted annually in eight prize categories, spanning three domains:

1) Scientific and technological research in the areas of:

- Basic Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics)
- Biomedicine
- Ecology and Conservation Biology
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Economics, Finance and Management

2) The creation, direction or performance of works of contemporary classical music

3) Scientific research and/or projects that represent significant advances in two core concerns of the 21st century:

- Climate Change
- Development Cooperation

The awards consist of €400,000, a diploma and a commemorative artwork in each prize category.

For a summation of the principles the awards are based upon [click here](#).

Nominations:

**Nomination shall be indirect and at the initiative of the office holders or governing bodies of:**

- Scientific or artistic societies or organizations
- National or regional academies of the sciences or the arts
- Public or private R&D centers
- **University departments and schools and university or research institutes**
- **Hospital departments and biomedical research centers**
- Conservatories and schools of music
- Scholarly music and musicology journals
- Orchestras and orchestra associations
- Radio and television broadcasters running symphony or chamber orchestras
- Museums of arts and sciences
- Public agencies and international, national or regional organizations substantially engaged in analysis and/or activities relating to climate change and development cooperation

For further information on the nomination and selection process, please [click here](#).

**The Office of the Vice President Research requests to be advised of nominations that are being put forward, to do so please contact:**

Karissa Kozuback, Faculty Awards Coordinator  
Office of the Vice President Research  
OAB 224, 6328 Memorial Rd, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z2  
(t) 604.822.6010 (f) 604.822.6295  
Email: [yprawards@exchange.ubc.ca](mailto:yprawards@exchange.ubc.ca)

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## **11. MICHAEL SMITH FOUNDATION FOR HEALTH RESEARCH (MSFHR)**

### **Funding Announcement from Dr. John Challis, President & CEO**

MSFHR is pleased to announce that the Government of British Columbia has confirmed a further \$15 million in funding for the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research. This funding is in addition to the \$15 million provided for the Foundation in the February 2009 provincial budget, and sends a strong message about the government's commitment to both health research in BC and the work of the Foundation. The MSFHR Board of Directors meets today, April 2, to begin discussions about strategic changes to our programs and services, to align them with available funding. Further information will be provided over the next few weeks as details are confirmed.

With all best wishes,

John R G Challis, PhD, DSc, FRCOG, FRSC  
President & CEO  
Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research

Link to announcement: <http://www.msfhr.org/sub-funding.htm>

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## **12. FNH SEMINAR: DIETARY FATS AND HEART DISEASE**

**April 16, 2009**

Food, Nutrition & Health Program  
Faculty of Land and Food Systems  
Seminar



## **Dietary Fats and Heart Disease: From Prenatal to Postnatal Environment**

By

**Sukhinder Kaur Cheema, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor

CIHR New Investigator

Department of Biochemistry

Memorial University of Newfoundland

**Date: Thursday, April 16, 2009**

**Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm**

**Location: Room 40  
Food Nutrition and Health Building  
2205 East Mall**

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### **13. UBC Alumni Weekend 2009: Picture Yourself Here**

**May 22-24, 2009**

## **UBC Alumni Weekend 2009: Picture Yourself Here**

Embark on a cultural, educational and social odyssey and make a weekend of it...

Bursting at the seams with relevance, Alumni Weekend provides access to campus newsmakers and shakers. Learn about the Innocence Project – a UBC initiative that investigates claims of wrongful convictions – or attend a panel discussion on the current economic crisis featuring Globe and Mail Columnist, Jeffrey Simpson.

Customize your own itinerary. More than 50 cultural, social and educational events have been carefully planned so you can rediscover UBC. Take some time to stop and smell the rose garden and see the Point Grey campus through a new lens.

[Click here](#) to view the full schedule or check out some highlights from the weekend below.

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# Having Difficult Conversations Respectfully

In this workshop you will learn to:

- identify thinking patterns and language choices that alienate others
- become aware of your ability to choose how you respond to situations
- differentiate between a well formed observation of a situation and a diagnostic/evaluative observation
- differentiate between a healthy expression of feeling and one that blames others
- clarify personal needs and express them effectively
- identify well formed requests vs. demands
- identify workplace or learning situations where healthier communication may help improve interpersonal relations



## HAVING DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS RESPECTFULLY WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th, 2009  
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Jewish Community Centre  
Wosk Auditorium  
950 West 41st Avenue  
Vancouver BC, V5Z 2N7

A light lunch will be served

**SIGN UP NOW!  
ALL FACULTY, STAFF,  
STUDENTS, AND LEARNERS  
ARE WELCOME**

To register, please call  
**604.822.0741**  
or send an email to  
**amoerman@medd.med.ubc.ca**

# Having Difficult Conversations Respectfully



Workshop Presented by  
Faculty Health Initiative

The University of British Columbia

Sponsored by  
Physician Health Program of BC



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

### Have you ever been...

- sorry about something that you said?
- hurt by something that you heard?

### Would you like to...

- communicate more effectively and compassionately?
- build healthier relationships in your workplace, your community and your family?

## Having Difficult Conversations Respectfully

This 1/2 day communication program is sponsored by the Physician Health Program of BC and is CME accredited.

Participants will be eligible for up to 3.75 Mainpro-M1 Credits of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and up to 3.75 AMA credit hours of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.



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day by day,  
moment by moment**



### Faculty Health Initiative

Health and wellness are recognized as critically important to a positive work/study environment. The Faculty of Medicine is committed to a healthy working and learning environment.

Rachelle Lamb is based in Victoria, B.C. She has offered communication training to thousands of people in Canada and the US. Individuals, couples, parents, educators, doctors, health care workers, counselors, private and public sector managers and employees and many others have enjoyed her engaging and illuminating workshops.





# Having Difficult Conversations Respectfully

## Faculty Health Initiative



Have you ever regretted something that you said, or how you said it?

Have you ever been hurt by something that you heard?

Would you like to communicate more effectively and compassionately?

To build healthier relationships in your workplace, your community and your family?

## What you will learn...

- How to create trust and respect in the culture of your workplace, home and community by:
- Listening with empathy, and
- Expressing your needs honestly and accurately.

## Presenter



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Life Sciences Institute



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Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel*

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Title: Silence of the Genes

**Wednesday, April 22, 2009, 11:00-Noon**

**LSC3**

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## **2009 Grants for Research –Surgical Care in Low Resource Regions**

The **Branch for International Surgery** has **four grants of \$2500** each for UBC Faculty of Medicine residents interested in advancing their understanding of the burden of meeting the surgical care needs in developing countries.

Research proposals must have an education value and benefit the host country. Preference will be given to projects that build on existing initiatives undertaken by UBC surgical-related staff.

It is expected that research results will be submitted for publication and/or a conference presentation.

The grant will cover travel and living costs and, depending on the project, limited research-related costs.

Applicants must be Canadian citizens and be enrolled as Residents in the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

Field work must be booked prior to December 2009 and completed by March 31, 2010.

### **How to Apply:**

- Complete the attached application form.

**Application Deadline: June 15, 2009**

### **Grant Award Process:**

Your application will be reviewed by the Grant Committee of the Branch for International Surgery.

Successful applicants will be notified by **July 17, 2009**.



## Grants for Research –Surgical Care in Low Resource Regions Application Form- 2009

**DEADLINE:** June 15, 2009

This form is designed to assist you in providing us with the information we need to assess your application.

<b>1. Applicant Information</b>		
Name: ( <i>First</i> )	(Last)	
Address:		
City:	Province:	Postal Code:
Email:		
Tel: Home:	Cell:	

<b>2. Identify your UBC Resident year and Department:</b>
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<b>3. Research Project Title:</b> Please provide a title for your research project.

<b>4. Background and Basic Research Question:</b> Why is this research needed?

<b>5. Project Proposal:</b> Describe your project. Include specific objectives—these are measurable statements of what you want to accomplish by a given point in time. Who will the project serve? <i>Note:</i> priority is given to research projects in low resource regions. Research projects that build on existing initiatives undertaken by UBC surgical-related faculty are encouraged.

**6. Method- Work plan:** Outline key tasks and activities with a timeline or schedule that will be used. This should include fieldwork.

**7. Budget:** Airfare: Living Costs:



Other:

<b>8. Have you obtained approval and/or support for this project from the host country?</b> Yes <span style="margin-left: 200px;">No</span>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title:</b>
<b>Organization/ Institution:</b>	
<b>Contact Information:</b>	

If you have not yet obtained approval please briefly describe how you will do so. *Note:* approval must be secured prior to undertaking field research.

**9. Who will be your on-site Supervisor in the host country? (Must be approved by your UBC Research Supervisor)**

**The next section should be completed by your Research Supervisor.**

<b>10. Research Supervisor</b> Name and Title:
<b>Contact: Tel:</b> <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><b>Email:</b></span>
<b>11.Supervisor's Comments on Proposal:</b> <i>Note: your Research Supervisor may also be your field work Supervisor.</i>
<b>Supervisor's Sign Off:</b> Only applications signed off by your Research Supervisor will be considered.
<i>Signature:</i>

**The Signature of the Applicant affirms that:**

- The information in the application is complete and accurate to the best knowledge of the applicant.
- The applicant has the approval of the host country and resources to do the research.
- If an award is made, the applicant agrees to abide by the award regulations of the BIS.
- If an award is made, the applicant will use the award only for the purposes for which the award was made.

<b>12. Applicant's Signature:</b>
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**Applications** can be sent by hard copy , fax or electronically. Electronic applications must be sent as a PDF file via email (please put “BIS Research Grant 2009 Application” in the subject line).

Please forward applications and queries to:

Mairi Murchison  
Director of Operations  
Branch for International Surgery, UBC  
910 West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Room 3104  
Vancouver BC V5Z 4E3  
Fax: 604 875 4036  
Email: [Mairi.Murchison@vch.ca](mailto:Mairi.Murchison@vch.ca) or [international.surgery@ubc.ca](mailto:international.surgery@ubc.ca)

Application deadline is **June 15, 2009**. Award notifications will be sent by **July 17, 2009**.