**News**

(1) **NEW!** MSFHR launches **KT Pathways**:  
Do you create or use research evidence? KT Pathways, developed in partnership with PHC, is a FREE digital assessment and learning tool designed to help you assess your knowledge translation strengths and identify potential areas for development. The tool also provides tailored training materials and support based on the results. [Read more](#).

(2) **NEW!** **Patient Family Advisory Council** (OVCARE) – next meeting will be end of June 2019

OVCARE has created a Patient and Family Advisory Council, where patients and family members are generously donating their time to become patient partners for OVCARE and the Gynecologic Cancer Initiative.

Patient-oriented research has been increasingly important in health research. Engaging patients can be a transformative for patient/families but it is equally important for researchers in developing their project focus and design.

Patient partners can be involved in several ways including, but is not limited to:
- Writing support letters for grant funding
- Helping to identify overall research focus
- Consulting on specific research projects to ensure that this is fitting for the demographic experience
- Assisting in the design of clinical research studies by informing the patient perspective
- Identifying and developing quality improvement projects to improve the patient experience
- Assisting and consulting on the development of knowledge translation components of the research

If you are interested in bringing your research, project idea, grant proposal, etc to this advisory council please email Stephanie Lam at stlam@bccrc.ca. Please note, the PFAC meets every 2 months, please ensure that there is adequate time to prepare and engage meaningfully with the patients before any deadlines. If there may be something of interest, please try to connect with Stephanie ASAP.

**Events, Workshops, and Seminars**

(1) **NEW!** (VCHRI) **ABCs of Qualitative Research**
June 13th 2019. Learn the basics of qualitative research in the health care setting.

(2) NEW! Collaborative Health Research Projects Applicant Webinar. (CIHR) June 3rd, 2019. CIHR will be hosting this webinar to support applicants of the funding opportunity and to answer questions on how to apply.

(3) NEW! *** Sent on behalf of CHES *** Seminar: "Is There Another Way of Looking at This? The Relationship Between Faculty Development & Educational Change." (FoM, CHES) June 4th, 2019. (Physician attendees will be eligible to claim up to 1.5 Mainpro+ group learning credits.) Find out more.

(4) NEW! *** Sent on behalf of Divisions of Critical Care, Neonatology, and Maternal Fetal Medicine at C&W *** Presentation: "Transport of Patients." (see Attached PDF). Do you have an interest in the current and future status of transport of your patients in BC? Many of you will be aware of the difficulties faced by our local Infant Transport Team (ITT) in recent months in meeting the service demands of the ICU at BCCH, the NICU and Perinatology at BCWH, and the province as a whole. C&W is hosting a morning of presentations on June 6th, 2019 at the Chan Centre for Family Health Education. Guest speaker: Dr. Andrew Berry (New South Wales, Australia). We hope that our planned presentations, and your direct participation in the discussion to follow, will provide a forum to examine avenues that we can pursue with the aim of improving our transport system.

(5) NEW! Northwest Gynecological Cancer Symposium 2019. (U of Washington) Sep 25th, 2019. Submit an abstract (deadline July 15th 2019). Registration includes participation in all events including catered lunch and reception. There is NO FEE for registration. Individuals submitting abstracts will be automatically registered.

(6) NEW! Putting Patients First 2019 conference. (BC AHSCN) Nov 20th, 2019 at the Marriott Vancouver Pinnacle Downtown. An annual conference hosted by BC SUPPORT Unit designed to encourage learning and collaboration between patients interested in patient-oriented research (POR), health researchers, health care providers and health system decision makers.

(7) First module of the CIHR SPOR -- Foundations in Patient Oriented Research - Module 1. June 7th 2019. Learn the benefits of involving patients, health care providers and health system decision-makers in research.

(8) ***Sent on behalf of Dr. Robert McMaster, Executive Associate Dean, Research, UBC Faculty of Medicine*** Workshop: "Engage Patients as Partners in Research". What is patient-oriented research? Why would I want to do it? How can I get started? Join us for a free lunchtime workshop for UBC Faculty of Medicine affiliates to learn about patient-oriented research! FRASER | June 3, 2019; VANCOUVER ISLAND | June 4, 2019. (Physician attendees will be eligible to claim 1 Mainpro+ or MOC group learning credit.) Find out more: fom.strategicplan@ubc.ca. Register at: https://tinyurl.com/PORReg
Please join us June 17-21 for a series of events aimed at showcasing VCH’s innovative approach to health research. Filled with professional development and education opportunities, as well as an evening social, these events will provide our staff with all the necessary tools needed to continue developing innovative ideas to improve health care treatments and delivery across BC.

For more information on the events, including dates, times and locations, please visit [www.vchri.ca/innovation2019](http://www.vchri.ca/innovation2019). Registration is open for all events, so be sure to sign up early as all event specific information will be forwarded through these registration forms.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me with any questions, and we look forward to seeing you all there!
Get the latest trends, ideas and solutions to go from innovation to implementation. Inspiring speakers will change the way you think about innovation in health research.

**Risk Management**
6/17 & 6/19 Identify risks and evaluate corresponding impacts of your research

**Patient-Oriented Research**
6/21 BC SUPPORT Unit seminar on learning how to involve patients as partners in your research

**Digital Health**
6/26 The benefits and challenges of digital health technology

**Systematic Review**
6/17 Cochrane review

**Knowledge Translation**
6/18 Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research KT Pathway tools demo

**Innovative Leaders at VCH**
6/20 Join health care leaders and learn more about collaboration, innovation and the future of research at VCH.
- Dr. Rachael Ritchie, Director of Innovation, VCH
- Deepak Kaura, Chair of the Joule Board of Directors
- Dr. David Granville, Associate Director, VCHRI

**CTMS**
6/18 Real-time clinical trials management system demo

**Research Methodology**
6/19 Economics evaluation
6/21 Qualitative methods

"Innovation is built on discovery and fuelled by diversity."
— The Honourable Kirsty Duncan, Minister of Science

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Mark your calendar and register for all these exciting events coming up in June!
Awards and Funding Opportunities

(1) **NEW!** Mitacs: [ELEVATE Fellowship](#) – LOI & COI deadline: June 19, 2019. Build your career through this competitive annual fellowship for up to two years. Elevate includes a research management training program and a postdoctoral fellowship. *Your partner organization’s financial contribution starts at $30,000.*

(2) **NEW!** CIHR: [Terry Fox New Investigator Award](#) – Application deadlines: June 28, 2019 (registration to TFRI) and Sept 13, 2019 (full proposal to TFRI & abbreviated CIHR application). This operating grant / funding opportunity is expected to support outstanding new investigators as they develop their careers as independent research scientists or clinician scientists to undertake high-quality cancer research, while in close collaboration and mentorship with specific research teams currently supported by the TFRI and CIHR. *Funding up to $150,000 per year, for up to 3 years, for a total of $450,000.*

(3) **UPDATED!** CIHR/NSERC/SSHRC: [Banting Canada Postdoctoral Fellowships](#) – Application deadline: July 5, 2019 (UBC internal); September 18, 2019 (Banting). Prestigious 2-year fellowships, worth $70,000 per year.

(4) **UBC FoM:** [New Faculty Research Award](#) – Application deadline: June 17, 2019. *Funding up to $10,000 is available for new recruits in the UBC Faculty of Medicine.*

(5) **CIHR/NSERC:** [2019 Collaborative Health Research Projects (CHRP)](#) – LOI deadline: June 25, 2019

The Collaborative Health Research Projects (CHRP) Initiative is expected to:
- Translate research results to knowledge/technology users (KTUs) and other stakeholders;
- Provide an opportunity for the natural sciences and/or engineering and health research communities to collaborate and integrate their expertise;
- Advance interdisciplinary research leading to knowledge and technologies;
- Benefit Canada by improving the Canadian healthcare system and/or services;
- Lead to economic growth opportunities in Canada (where appropriate); and
- Provide training opportunities for trainees in collaborative and interdisciplinary health research, while preparing them for employment opportunities in the private, public or not for profit sectors.

**LOI deadline:** 25th June  
**Full Application deadline:** 29th October

Note: For the LOI stage, the PAs need to complete a [CIHR sex and gender based analysis training](#)
module and upload the certificate, and the PAs and the principal knowledge technology user (KTU) will need a CIHR PIN and biosketch CCV.

Please note changes to this year’s funding opportunity, e.g., LOI requirements.

**Training Programs**

(1) **Faculty of Medicine Postdoctoral Enhanced Scholar Program** is designed for postdocs to transition into professional positions in teaching, research, business, or clinical settings through self-directed formal training and career development. All UBC FOM postdocs are eligible to join this free program and will receive a certificate upon completion.