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BC SUPPORT Unit launches new Research Road Map



A new online resource, called "[A Journey through Public & Patient Engagement in Health Research: A Road Map](#)," was developed by the BC SUPPORT Unit during the summer of 2021. This Road Map encourages you to explore the many ways in which patient partners and members of the public can be engaged on a research team.

This tool was developed following consultations with the BC SUPPORT Unit's stakeholders, and the resulting realization that there is no "one correct way" to engage patients and public partners on a research team. There are many different options and opportunities to be engaged; this map shares these many ways that patient partners have expressed that they could be meaningfully involved throughout the multiple phases of a typical research project.

The interactive online tool was created by a development team, which included leadership from patient partners. Please visit the webpage, and share this resource broadly with anyone in your networks who works closely with patient partners in research, or is thinking of engaging in patient-oriented research - but do not know where to begin.

Check out the Road Map: <https://www.bcahsn.ca/research-road-map>

2021 Northern BC Research and Quality Conference — Dec 7-9, 2021

The Northern BC Research and Quality Conference is a forum enhanced with resources and skill development workshops to share health and health services research, evaluation, evidence-based practice and quality improvement initiatives in the North.

The conference attracts a broad, interprofessional audience, as well as persons and families including health care managers, clinical service providers, physicians, community and Aboriginal health agency workers, researchers, evaluators, and students.

The 2021 virtual conference will be held December 7-9, 2021 and this year's theme is **Learning from Adversity: Pathways to Success** with the following sub-themes:

- Innovations
- Equity
- Cultural safety
- Health and wellness
- Sustainable systems

Conference objectives:

- Celebrate and share research, quality improvement, evaluation, and implementation of evidence in a Northern and rural context.
- Support the development of research, quality improvement, evaluation, and evidence-informed practice skills and patient-oriented research.
- Facilitate networking and knowledge sharing of all stakeholders, including people seeking health care services.
- Inspire new ideas, encourage diverse partnerships, and broaden the involvement of different stakeholders invested in the health of Northerners.

If you have any questions, please send an email to the [2021 planning committee](#). Stay tuned for more details

Upcoming Events

UNBC Health Research Seminar Series: UNBC's diverse Health Research Careers—A panel discussion

Date: September 23, 2021 | 2:30pm - 4:00pm | Zoom

Speakers: Members of the Health Research Institute Leadership Council and other UNBC health researchers

[Learn more](#)

AgeTech innovation Week: a unique virtual event for anyone with an interest in technology-based solutions that support older adults and caregivers.

Hosted by AGE-WELL, this free, must-attend week features curated public panels, workshops, networking opportunities and catalytic conversations that connect people and create change.

Date: October 4-8, 2021 | Free Virtual Event

[Learn more](#)

Upcoming Events—Continued

Brown Bags

Title: Building Research Capacity Development in the North: A Collaborative Feedback Session

Date: September 23, 2021

Speakers: Julia Bickford, Regional Director, Research, Evaluation and Analytics, Northern Health; Marcelo Bravo, Lead, Patient Orientated Research and Knowledge Translation Capacity Building, Northern Health, and Tamara Checkley, Lead, Research and Evaluation, Northern Health

This session will introduce participants to the latest developments in Northern Health research infrastructure and expanding work. It will also invite attendants to provide meaningful feedback to improve research navigation processes oriented to streamline collaborative work with current and future researchers.

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- Understand the newest developments, ongoing plans, and visioning around research capacity development in the North, particularly by Northern Health and its regional partners.
- Meaningfully contribute with ideas and experiences to co-develop improved research navigation processes that will benefit researchers planning to engage in health research activities in the North.

[Access Zoom Meeting](#)

Interior Health Research Week—Virtual



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