

# NBHRF SNAPSHOT OF THE WEEK

MARCH 26 – APRIL 8, 2016



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Dear Stakeholders of the Health Research Enterprise

So much news in a two weeks' period. We can tell you that 2015-2016 was quite an excellent year for health research in New Brunswick, and we believe that this new fiscal year will bring further support to the knowledge economy that NBHRF embraces with GNB, and hope we have a place in the \$1B+ "Education and New Economy Fund" led by our Premier.

Our #\_6\_/ 16 - ROM (Researcher-of-the-month) is Dr. Krista Wilkins at UNB-Fredericton. See her profile below on our website.

DISTINCTION for Dr. Kyle McGivery, resident in training in Emergency Medicine at Saint John Regional Hospital and researcher within the emergency medicine research program at SJRH under the lead of Dr. Paul Atkinson whose team was one of the 2015 NB Researchers of the Month, for his upcoming presentation at [the National CAEP \(Canadian Association Emergency Physicians\)](#) conference. Also showcased on the [NSERC](#) website is Dr. Bill McIver, Chair at NBCC on "New Brunswick Mobilizes" and mobile-first technology that relates to e-Health / m-Health. [Dr. Thomas Pulinilkunnil from DMNB-Saint John received NB's first national CDA](#) regular grant ever: \$300,000 over 3 years; March 30<sup>th</sup> article Saint John Researcher Wins Big On National Stage - Huddle). You can probably hear me singing "At Last" because we have finally successfully breached this national health charity's regular research program (see also Feb.2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, e-Newsletter). And last but not least, a CIHR-SPOR-PIHCI-Quick Strike-Team Grant was obtained by Dr. Tranchant et al. at U de Moncton.

On April 6<sup>th</sup>, NBHRF held its first (2016) BREAKFAST WITH NB MLA'S. A great early morning RSVP event at the Fredericton Convention Center, hosted by the Minister of Health, attended by more than half of the cabinet Ministers and MLAs from both sides of the isle and briefly graced by the premier. The 60 attendees listened to 5 keynote speakers who showcased their current and ongoing research. Visit [our website](#) for the press release and photos. At this event, we also released our new BOOKLET entitled "[HEALTH RESEARCH IN NB FOR YOU](#)". Have a peak, flip the pages on-line, download and engage



From left to right: Dr Anthony Reiman (RSH-HRSJ & DMNB), Hon. Victor Boudreau, Minister of Health, Hon. Dr. Ed Doherty (deputy), Ms. Monique Imbeault, President of the NBHRF Board of Directors), Dr. Bruno Battistini, President, CEO & Scientific Director of NBHRF, Hon. Dre Cathy Rogers, Minister of Social Development, Hon. Roger Melanson, Minister of Finance.



Note a VIP date (May 9) for a FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

(see below and visit <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/051.nsf/eng/home>) - the new Federal program (\$2B) for Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Funds. With the 2016-2017 CFI competition, our provincial institutions in New Brunswick have the right opportunities at the right time to grow our knowledge economy which includes the health research enterprise and Strike It Big, as also discussed in a recent Telegraph Journal editorial entitled "ensure payback on infrastructure". Projects emanating from the health research enterprise meet the test of HQP job creation, training and mentoring, spin-offs, innovation and sustainable economic growth.

PARTNERSHIP was struck between UNB – Faculty of Kinesiology – and SunLife Financial in creating a health and wellness "Living Well with Diabetes Initiative" of \$250,000 over 5 years. Congrats.

As you read from us bi-monthly, the NBHRF narrative is positive, combative, open, and features good stories (like our recent participation in the funded 5 (we are part of 2, and one ranked #6 /17) national CIHR-SPOR-Networks in chronic diseases one in Diabetes and one in "Brain Research Improving Growth and Health Trajectories in Children" - CHILD-BRIGHT)., NBHRF vision is to inspire hope for the future of ALL New Brunswickers. When it comes to our Health – academic and clinical – remember that Researchers / Scientists make significant contributions to answer the call for You.

And speaking of good stories, another worthy mention has been the annual fundraiser “Indian-food” dinner event for the [Canadian Cancer Society- Chapter of New Brunswick](#)

Thank you and good day!

Dr. Bruno Battistini

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## Announcements:



**NBHRF now has a scheduled maintenance window for the website: Wednesday (s) between 7 am and 8 am.**

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CIHR has launched a new suite of prizes in recognition of the exemplary research commitments and contributions of an individual or a team across all pillars of research (biomedical, clinical, health services and policy, and population and public health). Each prize will be awarded biannually starting this year. The **CIHR Gold Leaf Prizes** include:

CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Impact

- CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Discovery
- CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Outstanding Achievements by an Early Career Investigator
- CIHR Gold Leaf Prize for Transformation

For additional details such as eligibility criteria and instructions on nominations, please visit the CIHR website link below. **Nominations will be accepted until September 6, 2016.**

<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/27894.html>

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## PRIZES AND DISTINCTIONS

Saint John Researcher Wins Big On National Stage – Congratulations to Dr. Thomas Pulnikunnil (one of NBHRF’s Young Researchers of the month) on receiving the first Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) grant in New Brunswick. [Click here](#), to read the full article.

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## Funding Opportunities:



100% research since 1945

The Cancer Research Society is pleased to announce the 2016 competition launch of our Scholarships for the Next Generation of Scientists funding program, an initiative aimed at supporting future generations of Canadian researchers. The Scholarship is broken down into two parts, and extends over a period of three years, with no possibility for renewal. Deadline for Applications is April 29, 2106. To find details, [click here](#).

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## The Royal-Mach-Gaensslen Prize for Mental Health Research - 2016 Competition

Applications are now being accepted for The Royal-Mach-Gaensslen Prize for Mental Health Research, which was established by The Royal’s Institute of Mental Health Research (IMHR) in 2015 to recognize and support Canadian early-career researchers with a focus in the area of mental health.

The annual national Prize provides funding to outstanding rising star career researchers who are affiliated with a Canadian academic or clinical research institution in the field of mental health, to encourage them to continue to pursue their research interests. It recognizes those with a demonstrated track record in research with excellence in scientific rigor, innovative thinking, imagination and originality and a clear ability to work in partnership with other disciplines and/or research teams external to the institution with which they are affiliated.

**The 2016 deadline for applications is July 15, 2016.**

The application and procedure to apply are fully described in the application packages available on the website at <http://www.theroyal.ca/research/about-imhr/the-royal-mach-gaensslen-prize-for-mental-health-research/>

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## Job Opportunities:



CIHR is presently looking for applicants to fill the following three positions. **The posters are now live at the links indicated.**

**Senior Advisor, Partnerships and Business Development.**

<https://clients.njoyn.com/cl2/xweb/Xweb.asp?tbtoken=YFxfRRsXCBoBZHdzQiFUCFI9c2REcFAq>

<https://clients.njoyn.com/cl2/xweb/Xweb.asp?tbtoken=Z1FdsHoXCBwFYwcHRFJVCCQ7AW1EcCUvA0hYU119ExJYKDUcWEAZemJydQkbVhJRSHcqWA%3D%3D&chk=dFlbQBJe&clid=27318&Page=JobDetails&Jobid=J0316-0654&lang=1&BRID=125406>

Associate, Stakeholder Engagement:

<https://clients.njoyn.com/cl2/xweb/Xweb.asp?tbtoken=Z1FdsHoXCBwFYwcHRFJVCCQ7AW1EcCUvA0hYU119ExJYKDUcWEAZemJydQkbVhJRSHcqWA%3D%3D&chk=dFlbQBJe&clid=27317&Page=JobDetails&Jobid=J0316-0299&lang=1&BRID=124783>

Associate, Strategic Partnerships:

<https://clients.njoyn.com/cl2/xweb/Xweb.asp?tbtoken=Z1FdsHoXCBwFYwcHRFJVCCQ7AW1EcCUvA0hYU119ExJYKDUcWEAZemJydQkbVhJRSHcqWA%3D%3D&chk=dFlbQBJe&clid=27317&Page=JobDetails&Jobid=J0316-0221&lang=1&BRID=124425>

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## Events & Meetings:



**The Primary Healthcare Research Unit, Discipline of Family Medicine, Memorial University of Newfoundland is now accepting abstract submissions for PriFor 2016!**

The Primary Healthcare Research Unit of Memorial University of Newfoundland is pleased to invite you to PriFor 2016, the eighth annual Primary Healthcare Partnership Forum (PriFor). This conference is presented in partnership with the Atlantic Practice Based Research Network, the Centre for Rural Health Studies, and Memorial University of Newfoundland. PriFor highlights the research, program, and practice activities of the many and varied professionals involved in primary healthcare.

PriFor 2016 will be held on June 29-30, 2016, at the Sheraton Hotel Newfoundland in St. John's, NL, Canada. This year's theme is *How We Know What We Know*.

For more information, and to submit your abstract, please visit [www.med.mun.ca/prifor](http://www.med.mun.ca/prifor)  
Deadline for abstracts is April 30, 2016

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### CHNET-WORKS! Webinars - All times are EST

April 28, 2016 /  
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[Intergenerational Solutions To Elder Abuse: Kids And Seniors Work It Out](#)

1:00-2:00pm  
13h00-14h00

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Youth *Impact* Jeunesse presents "Working with Traumatized Children and Youth" featuring Dr. Bruce Perry, MD, PhD in Saint John, NB May 26, 27, 2016

To register, visit [www.DrPerryAtlanticConference.com](http://www.DrPerryAtlanticConference.com)

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### MS Bike - the largest cycling series in North America June 25-26

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual New Brunswick MS Bike Tour, dubbed "Plains to Pastures" is a fun event for various fitness levels and ages, offering those looking for a personal challenge the opportunity to join the fight to end multiple sclerosis – a disease that affects 100,000 Canadians. Funds raised from the MS Bike Tour support innovative research into the cause, treatment and cure of MS as well as provide valuable services and programs for Canadians affected by MS