



## Welcome to CRNCC

### News

#### **CRNCC Member Survey - We would like to hear from you!**

Your feedback and suggestions are very important to us as we strive to improve our network. Please take a moment to answer our brief ten-question survey. We greatly appreciate your assistance! The survey will only be available online until August 13, so please visit the link below today!

Click the link below to access the survey:  
[www.crncc.ca/membersurvey](http://www.crncc.ca/membersurvey)

#### **Community Story Slideshow: Health Equity**

The Community Story Slideshow is a showcase of 19 projects from across Toronto illustrating how health service providers are collaborating to address the barriers to health equity in their communities. This is now available on the CRNCC website:  
<http://www.crncc.ca/events/healthyconnections2008.html>

### Upcoming CRNCC Events

#### **Look Globally - Act Locally: Integrated Care Systems**

October 20, 2008  
Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel, 600  
Highway 7, Richmond Hill, ON

Registration is now open!

This symposium, presented by the Canadian Research Network for Care in the Community (CRNCC) and the Ontario Community Support Association (OCSA), features top speakers from Canada and from European countries such as Austria, the Netherlands, Finland, and the United Kingdom. These countries have implemented or are currently implementing integration initiatives. A key goal is to learn more about what works, what does not, and what needs to be done at the local level to ensure success.

Topics include:

- which populations are targeted
- what services are included
- who decides
- who pays and how
- how are outcomes measured
- how are providers and funders held accountable
- What is the role of informal and family care givers

Ongoing concerns about the sustainability of publicly funded health care in the face of changing demographics, rising costs, and persistent shortages of human resources, set the context for a policy push toward more integrated health and social care systems locally, nationally, and internationally. Results have been mixed. Some integration initiatives in some jurisdictions have shown considerable success in meeting population needs and improving system sustainability. Others have yet to demonstrate positive outcomes.

Who should attend: policy makers (LHINs, MOHLTC), researchers, managers (CCACs), and community service providers.

To register online visit: [https://www.ocsa-eservices.ca/meetings/meetings\\_register\\_reg\\_type.asp?MTG=1465](https://www.ocsa-eservices.ca/meetings/meetings_register_reg_type.asp?MTG=1465)

To register by fax visit:  
<http://www.ocsa.on.ca/Conference/2008/pdf/PC%202008%20REGISTRATION%20FORM.pdf>

For updates, please check the CRNCC website:  
<http://www.crncc.ca/knowledge/events/IntegratedCareSystemsSymposium.html>

## Recent CRNCC Events

### Healthy Connections 2008 HEALTH EQUITY: From Challenges to Solutions

June 5, 2008  
Ryerson University, Toronto, ON

This one day Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)-wide conference provided a unique opportunity for front line workers, health administrators, policy-makers, and consumers and family networks to come together and learn about the challenges of

health inequities, as well as strategies for creating a more equitable health system that responds to the needs of all.

### Morning Session

The morning session provided thought-provoking presentations by leaders in the field who brought the latest thinking and concrete examples of what is working at the local level.

#### Keynote:

- Dr. James Orbinski (St. Michael's Hospital & University of Toronto)

#### Speakers:

- Anthony Culyer (University of Toronto & University of York, UK)
- Kerry Bowman (Mount Sinai Hospital & University of Toronto)
- Dr. Stephen Hwang (St. Michael's Hospital & University of Toronto)
- Notisha Massaquoi (Women's Health in Women's Hands)
- Uzma Shakir (Atkinson Economic Justice Fellow, Atkinson Charitable Foundation).

### Afternoon Session

After a networking lunch, participants 'rolled up their sleeves' and worked together to name and create concrete solutions for the health inequity challenges that resonate most for their communities.

Solutions Healthy Connections 2008 conference, was sponsored by the Toronto Central LHIN; In partnership with Canadian Research Network for Care in the Community, West End Urban Health Alliance, and South East Toronto Organization.

The morning webcast and presentations, as well as the Healthy Connections 2008 Conference Report on Proceedings can be found on the CRNCC website:

[www.crncc.ca/events/healthyconnections2008.html](http://www.crncc.ca/events/healthyconnections2008.html)

## In Focus

The CRNCC has prepared a new *In Focus* fact sheet to share with you!

### Diversity: Disability Issues in Home and Community Care

This In Focus, the third of our *Diversity Series*, looks at the challenges which people with disabilities and their providers face in home and community care. Following this link to view this In Focus:

<http://www.crncc.ca/knowledge/factsheets/download/DisabilityInFocusFinal.pdf>

Remember to read and rate the In Focus fact sheets and profiles we have posted online. We welcome all feedback as well as suggestions for future topics. Fact sheets are available at [www.crncc.ca/knowledge/factsheets/index.html](http://www.crncc.ca/knowledge/factsheets/index.html)

. To tell us about a topic of interest to your organization, e-mail us at [crncc@ryerson.ca](mailto:crncc@ryerson.ca).

## Upcoming Member Events

- **Dalhousie University School of Occupational Therapy & AMPS Project International:** 2008 International AMPS Symposium - Measuring, Planning, and Implementing Occupation-based Programs, July 29 to Aug. 1, 2008, <http://occupationaltherapy.dal.ca/Non-Degree%20Continuing%20&%20Refresher%20Education/index.php>

- **Canadian Mental Health Association:** Canadian Mental Health Association National Conference 2008: Making waves for change from surviving to thriving, Aug. 22-23, 2008. <http://www.ontario.cmha.ca/events.asp?fn=view&id=2656>
- **Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), Statistics Canada & National Centre for Health Statistics (NCHS):** 14th annual North American Collaborating Centre (NACC) Conference on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF), Aug. 26-27, 2008. <http://www.cihiconferences.ca/icfconference/>

## The Fine Print

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If you would like to be removed from this listserv, or know someone who would like to be added, please contact us at [crncc@ryerson.ca](mailto:crncc@ryerson.ca).

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