

Welcome to the CRNCC

News

The CRNCC is Launching an Online Discussion Forum!

Take a moment to share your opinion on key issues in the field of home and community care. Share your experiences related to challenges and opportunities that you're facing. Whether you're a provider, user, academic, or policy maker the CRNCC online discussion forum is a place for you to generate dialogue and connect with people on a number of themes.

Visit the CRNCC online discussion forum:
<http://weblogs.ryerson.ca/roller/crncc/>

START TODAY by posting your **questions and comments in advance** for our expert panel! They will be discussing the challenges and opportunities related to implementing local-level integration initiatives at our Oct. 20 2008 symposium called Look Globally, Act Locally: Integrating Care in the Community for Vulnerable Populations.

Upcoming CRNCC Events

Look Globally - Act Locally: Integrating Care in the Community for Vulnerable Populations

October 20, 2008

Sheraton Parkway
Toronto North
Hotel, 600 Hwy #7,
Richmond Hill, ON

Register now –
space is limited!



To register online visit: 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>

The Canadian Research Network for Care in the Community (CRNCC) in partnership with the Ontario Community Support Association (OCSA) is proud to present the fourth in an annual series of fall symposia highlighting crucial issues in home and community care, globally, nationally, and locally.

Integration is now at the top of the policy agenda in Ontario, as in other Canadian provinces, where Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs) are working hard to break

down health care silos, forge stronger links across the continuum of care, and ensure that vulnerable people and their caregivers get the most appropriate care, in the most appropriate place, when they need it, in the most cost-effective way.

This year's symposium, moderated by **Cal Martell** (Ottawa Hospital & Regional Geriatric Program), highlights key challenges and opportunities for integrating home and community care for vulnerable populations including at risk older persons, persons with disabilities, and those facing mental health and addictions problems.

It features top national and international speakers who will share their insights into what works and what needs to be done at the local level to successfully integrate home and community care for vulnerable populations.

Featured speakers include (alphabetically):

- **Jenny Billings** (Centre for Health Service Studies, University of Kent, UK) who will examine what evidence-based practice elements can be developed to show outcomes of integrated care initiatives, and what can be considered "good outcome measures"
- **Marcus Hollander** (Hollander Analytical Services Ltd, BC) & **David Pedlar** (Veterans Affairs Canada, PEI) who will present new evidence on continuing care initiatives in Canada and their outcomes
- **Kai Leichsenring** (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy & Research, Austria) who will draw on experience from nine European countries to outline political, structural, and organizational conditions crucial for implementing best practice models of integrated care
- **Janet Lum** (Ryerson University and CRNCC, ON) who will set the stage by

outlining different approaches to integration which bring care to people (home care); people to care (day programs, congregate dining); and combine housing with care (supportive housing, attendant care, cluster care)

- **Henk Nies** (Vilans, the Centre of Expertise for Long-Term Care, the Netherlands) who will present "on the ground" insights and outcomes from the Netherlands's user-driven regional integration initiatives
- **A. Paul Williams** (University of Toronto & CRNCC) who will present findings from Balance of Care (BoC) research projects across Ontario which consistently emphasize the need to integrate home and community care to support the quality of life, independence and well-being of vulnerable individuals and caregivers, while also building health system sustainability.

This symposium also features a "town hall" discussion which aims to surface integration challenges and opportunities currently experienced by participants including front-line providers, consumers and policy-makers. While integration challenges are global, solutions are local. Send us your questions for the panel in advance to crncc@ryerson.ca or go onto the CRNCC discussion forum to share your ideas before the symposium: <http://weblogs.ryerson.ca/roller/crncc/>

Local panelists include:

- **Scott Dudgeon**, CEO, Alzheimer Society of Canada, Toronto, ON
- **Kathy Durst**, Chair, Waterloo Wellington LHIN, Guelph, ON
- **Judi Fisher**, Executive Director, Cheshire, London, ON
- **Cathy Szabo**, Executive Director, Central Community Care Access Centre, Newmarket, ON

For more information visit CRNCC website:
<http://www.crncc.ca/knowledge/events/IntegratedCareSystemsSymposium.html>

In Focus

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

Children and Youth Home Care in Canada

This In Focus looks at the growing trend of children living in their homes and communities with their family, rather than spending the majority of their life in an institution.

Following this link to view this In Focus:

http://www.crncc.ca/knowledge/factsheets/download/In_Focus_Children_and_Youth_Homecare_FINAL.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

To tell us about a topic of interest to your organization, e-mail us at crncc@ryerson.ca.

Upcoming Member Events

- **Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes and Services for Seniors:** Diversity in Action - Regional Workshop, Oct. 15, 2008.
<http://www.oanhss.org/staticcontent/staticpages/frameset.html>

- **International Women's and Children's Health Network:** Building Bridges: Promoting Women's and Children's Health through Interdisciplinary Partnerships, Oct. 17, 2008. <http://web.iwch.org/?q=node/5>
- **Canadian Home Care Association:** 2008 Home Care Summit: the power of the people, Oct. 23-25, 2008.
<http://www.cdnhomecare.ca/content.php?sec=8>
- **The Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA), Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA), and Niagara Region Public Health:** Making Healthy Communities Count, Oct. 26 - 29, 2008.
<http://www.publichealthsummit.com/>
- **Toronto Public Health and the Centre for International Health, Dalla Lana School of Public Health:** Determinants of Our Health: Toronto in a Global Village, Oct. 30-31, 2008.
<http://www.toronto.ca/health/125th/symposium.htm>

The Fine Print

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