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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

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As we approach the holiday season, I would like to take this opportunity to give a special thanks to our dedicated and talented faculty and staff, who have done such a wonderful job of making excellence part of everything we do. I would also like to thank all those in the PT community that we have had the privilege to collaborate with on so many projects and activities over the past year. We have much to be thankful for, and 2013 will be another exciting year! On behalf of the Department, I wish you and your families a healthy and prosperous new year!

I would like to highlight some honours that have been presented to faculty recently:

**Sharon Gabison** graduated from the Stepping Stones Teacher Development Program offered through the Centre for Faculty Development in October. **Dina Brooks, Geoff Fernie, William Hirdes** and **Cathy Relf** have been awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. This commemorative medal was created to mark the 2012 celebrations of the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the Throne as Queen of Canada and honours significant contributions and achievements by Canadians. **Stephanie Nixon, Kelly O'Brien** and **Nancy Salbach** received research awards at the annual Faculty of Medicine Research Awards event in October.

A reminder that the **The Department of Physical Therapy Awards Ceremony** will take place on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Immediately following this event from 1:00 - 2:00pm there will be a session for the community entitled: **'Department of Physical Therapy Curriculum Innovation: A Dialogue'**. More information on the awards ceremony is included below under Department News, and details on the community session will be forwarded by email shortly.

**Mark your calendars!** Following is the date of the upcoming Rehab Rounds:

- **December 6<sup>th</sup>**: (12pm – 1pm) **Cathy Evans and Brenda Mori**, Department of Physical Therapy -- "From Boomers to Millennials: Understanding Generational Values and Behaviors in Health Care Professional Education".

If you have any comments or feedback, please let us know at [pt.chair@utoronto.ca](mailto:pt.chair@utoronto.ca)



Katherine Berg  
Chair, Department of Physical Therapy  
Chair, Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

## COMMUNITY PROFILES

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### DARRYL YARDLEY, ARBOR AWARD RECIPIENT (2012)

*Darryl received the Arbor Award to recognize his dedication to volunteerism and philanthropy for the Department of Physical Therapy.*



Darryl Yardley has worked as a physiotherapist in private practice since graduating with a Master of Science in Physiotherapy from the University of Toronto in 2006. He went on to pursue a Master of Clinical Science in Manipulative Therapy from Western University and became a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Manual and Manipulative Physical Therapists (FCAMPT) in 2009. Currently, he is the Director of Professional Development at pt Health. His role is to ensure pt Health clinicians are accountable for the delivery of high quality physiotherapy services within a client-centered model of care.

He has a passion for healthcare trending and dedicates his time analyzing innovative strategies in the areas of integrated care models, technology and healthcare analytics for national execution and adoption. Darryl is also the current Chair of the Private Practice Division of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association. He has the privilege of working with a passionate executive team to inspire the entrepreneurial physical therapist to engage in business best practice, strategic execution and innovation. With the growing demand for health and rehabilitation services in Canada, along with the stabilization of healthcare financing, he and his team are dedicated to developing and sharing creative strategies and cost effective solutions for health care service delivery with the membership.

Darryl was the proud recipient of the Molly Verrier Award (2006) for “actively participating to advance the practice of Physical Therapy and empowering their classmates.” Like other recipients of this award, he has a loyalty, commitment and aspiration to advance the profession. Darryl is motivated to become a prominent leader in the physical therapy and rehabilitation fields. As a leader, he does not focus solely on his professional achievements – how many courses completed, number of manual therapy techniques mastered, or what others think of his curriculum vitae. What matters to him comes down to how close he is to reaching his potential as a leader, and the collective improvement of the physical therapy profession. In the words of John Wooden, “a good leader never stops learning...a great leader never stops teaching.” This sentiment encouraged him to create the pt Health mentorship program. Over the past three years, Darryl has recruited and hired over 30 new graduate physical therapists in Ontario. Mentorship allows him the opportunity to play an active role in the development of a colleague and positively impact both his or her career and the profession. Role-modeling professionalism and volunteerism can make a difference in the profession and becomes one of the key differentiating factors that separates mediocrity from excellence in group behavior. Influencing colleagues to work towards a shared vision of advancement, built around innovation and change can create new value for the profession in a rapidly changing healthcare industry.

He has received awards that acknowledge his service as a physiotherapist who provides excellent learning environments, guidance, supervision and inspiration to physiotherapy students. Most recently, he was an Arbor Award recipient (2012) to recognize his dedication to volunteerism and philanthropy for the Department of Physical Therapy. Darryl has a status-only appointment in the Rehab Sciences Sector and has dedicated his time as a student mentor, lecturer, small group facilitator, job strategy panelist and clinical skills lab demonstrator in the Department of Physical Therapy. He has been inspired to advance practice and knowledge through a variety of means including innovative research. As the lead author of "Clinical specialists and advanced practitioners in physical therapy: a survey of physical therapists and employers of physical therapists in Ontario, Canada" published in *Physiotherapy Canada* (2008), he recognized the value of student research. Darryl was able to obtain funding to support an annual prize for graduating students' with the best overall research project. As a past recipient of this prize, and through association with pt Health, he is motivated to give back to the profession and encourage research and evidence-based practice.

Darryl speaks highly of the inspiration he has received from many mentors and key leaders within the healthcare industry and continues to enhance his leadership core competences. Through various mentorship opportunities, he gets to model and acknowledge similar competences in others.

Darryl notes that we must consider that there is nothing more difficult to carry out, or more risky to handle than to initiate a new order of healthcare service delivery. Healthcare needs a revolution, and as a physical therapist Darryl is motivated to be a leader in this revolution.

## DEPARTMENT NEWS

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### NICOLE PERCIVAL – PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OIEBP



We are pleased to announce that that Nicole Percival has joined our Ontario Internationally Educated Physiotherapist Bridging Program on a full time basis as Program Administrator. Nicole has been in the Administrator Role on a contract basis since late December, 2011. She is an essential pillar of the program, acting as the initial contact for individuals interested in the Program, as well providing the necessary administrative expertise to keep the program running smoothly and on track.

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## DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY RECOGNITION AWARDS 2012

We are now receiving nominations for the Department of Physical Therapy Recognition Awards! Each year, the Department of Physical Therapy acknowledges those individuals who have provided great learning environments, guidance, supervision, or have been inspirational to our PT students with **Department of Physical Therapy Recognition Awards**. Recognition award recipients can be faculty members, clinical instructors, small group facilitators, lab demonstrators, teaching assistants, or other educators. Recipients can also be an entire site/team. The nominators can be students, clinicians or faculty.

The Awards Ceremony will be take place on **Thursday January 24th, 2013** from 12pm - 1pm at the Medical Sciences Building (MSB), Room 3154 at the University of Toronto. *There will be a lunch from 11:30 - 12pm in the Stone Lobby at MSB.*

If you would like to nominate an individual or site/team for an award, please complete the nomination form at this link.

<http://www.physicaltherapy.utoronto.ca/recognition-award-nomination>

**The deadline for nominations is Wednesday December 5th, 2012.** We look forward to receiving your nominations!

Sincerely,  
The Department of Physical Therapy Recognition Awards Committee

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## **DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31, 2013 FOR STATUS-ONLY AND ADJUNCT APPOINTMENT APPLICATIONS**

The Rehabilitation Sciences Sector of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto consists of the Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy (OS&OT), Department of Physical Therapy (PT), Department of Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) and the Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Science (GDRS). We are located in the Rehabilitation Sciences Building, at 500 University Avenue.

The academic goals of the Rehabilitation Sciences Sector cannot be met without the participation of talented individuals from many institutions and agencies outside of the university. The aim of Status-Only and Adjunct Appointments is to recognize the participation of highly qualified and dedicated researchers, practitioners and members of the community in the academic and clinical education components of the programs. These appointees augment the efforts and expertise of the full-time departmental faculty. We are seeking appointees who:

- maintain a high level of expertise and competence in their disciplines;
- are skilled at communicating expertise to members of their respective disciplines and the broader health care community;
- can stimulate, challenge and develop the scholarly and clinical capacity of students; and,
- contribute to the growth of the discipline by building the body of knowledge or advancing the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of practice.

Our site is now open for online application submission. If you are interested in applying for Status-Only or Adjunct Lecturer appointment, the departments in the Rehabilitation Sciences Sector invite you to log onto our site at [www.rehab.utoronto.ca/StatusOnly/](http://www.rehab.utoronto.ca/StatusOnly/) and complete the online application. The deadline for submitting your application is **JANUARY 31, 2013**. Please apply before the deadline. More information is provided in the attachment. Also, review the Guidelines posted on our website for more information on the complete application process.

We thank you for your interest in an appointment with the Rehabilitation Sciences Sector.

Yours truly,

Susan Rappolt, PhD, OT Reg (Ont)  
Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy

Katherine Berg, PhD PT  
Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Physical Therapy

Luigi Girolametto, PhD  
Professor and Chair, Department of Speech-Language Pathology

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**DEPARTMENT GUESTS: Sister Margaret Mweshi**

On October 29, 2012, the Department of Physical Therapy was pleased to welcome Sister Margaret Mweshi, a member of faculty from the Physiotherapy Department at the University of Zambia. Sister Margaret is one of Zambia's leading physiotherapists. She is also a head administrator at the Zambia Italian Orthopedic Hospital in Lusaka, Zambia. As part of this role, she oversees Cheshire Home, which houses children with disabilities before and after their surgery stays at her hospital. She has also been member of the Religious congregation of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Saint Francis of Assisi for the last 26 years. Sister Margaret is set to defend her PhD later this year, which will make her the second physiotherapist in Zambia with a doctoral degree. Sister Margaret's visit was facilitated by the International Centre for Disability and Rehabilitation ([www.icdr.utoronto.ca](http://www.icdr.utoronto.ca)) as part of the growing relationship between the University of Toronto and the University of Zambia.

## **HONOURS AND AWARDS**

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### **CONVOCATION AND STUDENT AWARDS**

The awards celebration was held on November 14<sup>th</sup> in the Colony Grande Ballroom Centre and West Rooms at the Chestnut Conference Centre, University of Toronto. Included is a list of the award winners.

Canadian Physiotherapy Association Award

**Recipient: Julie Elizabeth Engelhardt**

Canadian Physiotherapy Association – Paediatric Division Award

**Recipient: Rachel Kai-Yee Wong**

Molly Verrier Award

**Recipient: James Campbell**

C. Estelle Cunningham Book Prize

**Recipient: Jessica Haldane**

Heart and Breath of Physical Therapy Award

**Recipient: Sachi Alexandra O'Hoski**

Central Toronto District - OPA Award

**Recipient: Yamini Mistry**

Breathe in Life Research Poster Award

**Recipients: Taimoor Tariq Agha, Sachi Alexandra O'Hoski, Bonnie Winship, Lauren Alexandra Herridge**

Herta Leyss Scholarship in Physical Therapy

**Recipients: Rehana Meru & Kristin Burton**

Carlos Melendez Memorial Award

**Recipient: Alyson Orwell**

Goldie Lewis Award

**Recipient: Charlotte Anderson**

Hospital for Sick Children Prize in Paediatrics

**Recipient: Rebecca West**

Kathryn A Falconer Memorial Book Prize

**Recipient: Kayla Danielle Vermeltfoort**

Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Alumni Association Award

**Recipient: Lauren Alexandra Herridge**

Mount Sinai Hospital Book Award

**Recipient: Christina Michele Tirone**

Mary N. Sauriol Business Practice Prize

**Recipient: Emma Cathleen Armstrong**

Mountain Challenge Award

**Recipient: Sarah Marie Schwartz**

Toronto Cathay Lions Club Scholarship

**Recipient: Peggy-Rae Carswell**

Dr. Barnett & Beverly Giblon Silver Medal for Excellence in Physical Therapy

**Recipient: Kayla Danielle Vermeltfoort**

Dr. Barnett & Beverley Giblon Award of Excellence in Physical Therapy

**Recipient: Julie Elizabeth Engelhardt**

PT Health Prize for Excellence in Student Research

**Recipients: Taimoor Tariq Agha, Sachi Alexandra O'Hoski, Bonnie Winship, Lauren Alexandra Herridge**

St. Michael's Hospital Trauma Physiotherapy Award

**Recipient: Maegan Bell**

University Health Network Book Prize

**Recipient: Laura Shaver**

Olive Wallace Pester Fellowship in Physical Therapy (GSEF)

**Recipients: Christina Michele Tirone & Michaela Janet McGuire**

CIHR Health Professional Student Research Award

**Recipient: Kayla Danielle Vermeltfoort**



*L to R: Dr. Barnett Giblon, Julie Engelhardt; Beverly Giblon*

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## **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING FACULTY MEMBERS!!**

Congratulations to **Dina Brooks, John Hirdes, Geoff Fernie** and **Cathy Relf**, who have been honored with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal! This commemorative medal was created to mark the 2012 celebrations of the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the Throne as Queen of Canada. The medal serves to honour "significant contributions and achievements by Canadians". It is given to Canadians who have made a significant contribution to a particular province, territory, region or community within Canada, or an achievement abroad that brings credit to Canada. The Chancellery of Honours, as part of the

Office of the Secretary to the Governor General, administers the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal program.

Congratulations to **Lisa Wickerson** and **Sunita Mathur**, who received a CIHR planning grant titled "Establishing Research Priorities for Exercise in Solid Organ Transplant".

After an extensive joint recruitment process between Holland Bloorview and the University of Toronto, **Virginia Wright** has been appointed as the Bloorview Children's Hospital Foundation Chair in Paediatric Rehabilitation for a five-year term. The chair, previously held by Colin Macarthur, is one of four chairs that the Bloorview Research Institute holds in partnership with the University of Toronto. During Virginia's tenure of the chair in paediatric rehabilitation, she will focus on advancing the science of outcome measurement.

**Dina Brooks** and her team have been awarded the following grants: **Brooks D** (PI) and Oh P. "Effects of Combined Aerobic and Resistance Training versus Aerobic Training Alone on Cognition and Mobility following Stroke"; **Dina Brooks** (PI) and **William McIlroy** : "Exercise for all: Revealing the barriers to engaging in aerobic exercise early after stroke". Both are catalyst grants through the Heart and Stroke Foundation Centre for Stroke Recovery.

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Takahashi, S. G.**, A. Rothman, Takahashi, M Nayer, M Urowitz, AM Crescenzi (2012). "Validation of a Large Scale Clinical Examination for International Medical Graduates." *Canadian Family Physician* 58(July): e408-417.

**O'Brien KK, Davis AM**, Gardner S, Bayoumi AM, Rueda S, Hart TA, Cooper C, Solomon P, Rourke SB, Hanna S; OHTN Cohort Study Team. Relationships Between Dimensions of Disability Experienced by Adults Living with HIV: A Structural Equation Model Analysis. *AIDS Behav.* 2012 Nov 7. [Epub ahead of print]. Abstract: <http://www.springerlink.com/content/x77454hlxn3118q8/>

## COURSES/PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS

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### REHAB ROUNDS – UPCOMING DATES: SEPTEMBER 2012

Date (12:00-1:00pm)	Speaker	Location
December 06	<b>Brenda Mori PT MSc and Cathy Evans PhD PT</b> Director Clinical Education and Assistant Professor and Graduate Coordinator - Department of Physical Therapy, UofT	140
March 07	<b>Ada Tang, PhD (PT)</b> Post-doctoral Fellow, UBC	140
April 04	<b>Arun Radhakrishnan</b>	140
May 02	<b>Tania Janaudis Ferreira</b> Post Doctoral Research Fellow, West Park Healthcare Centre, Department of Physical Therapy, UofT	140

## DISABILITY, MOVEMENT AND SPORT: A PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION TO CELEBRATE GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

Presented by the **International Centre for Disability and Rehabilitation** in the rehabilitation sciences sector and the **Comparative Program on Health and Society** at the Munk School of Global Affairs are pleased to present:

### Exhibition launch: 5-7pm, Monday December 3, 2012

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Please RSVP for the launch at:

<http://www.physicaltherapy.utoronto.ca/disability-movement-and-sport-rsvp>

### Exhibition on display: 9am-5pm, December 3-7, 2012

**Location:** Rehabilitation Sciences Building, Lobby  
500 University Avenue (just north of Dundas), Toronto

We are pleased to invite you to a launch for a week-long exhibition highlighting critical perspectives on disability and global health through photographs. The launch carries additional significance as December 3 is the international day of persons with disabilities, making this event a special opportunity to consider how disability relates to global health and citizenship. The launch will include remarks from special invitees from the university and disability communities and activities to critically reflect on disability issues. Refreshments will be provided.

Sign language interpretation will be provided.

The exhibition space is physically accessible (via elevator at University Ave doors or via ramp at Simcoe St. doors).

For more information, please see

<http://www.icdr.utoronto.ca/news/disability-movement-and-sport-photographic-exhibit-launch>.

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## SAVE THE DATE!

### UOFT ALUMNI SPRING REUNION

**Date:** May 29th to June 2nd, 2013

The 2013 event will be for the graduating classes ending in 3 or 8!

The PT and OT Alumni are planning an event (TBA) on Friday evening May 31st as well as a Breakfast Meeting and Awards Presentation on Saturday morning, June 1st from 9.30 to 12.00 noon. ***Further details will be coming soon in the next PT Link.***

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## CENTRE FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SPRING WORKSHOPS

The Centre for Faculty Development is pleased to announce the schedule for their Fall workshop series.

To view upcoming workshop and to register, please go to:

<http://www.cfd.med.utoronto.ca/programs/upcoming-workshops.html>

For more information, contact Jackie McCaffrey, Project Coordinator at:  
[mccaffreyj@smh.toronto.on.ca](mailto:mccaffreyj@smh.toronto.on.ca) (416) 864-6060 x6546

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**NON-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO COURSES/EVENTS:** *The following courses/events are from outside the University of Toronto, and are not being promoted by the Department of Physical Therapy.*

### CLINICAL REASONING, MOVEMENT ANALYSIS & FACILITATION: THE BOBATH CONCEPT

A Post-Basic three day specialty course

**Dates:**

Day #1: January 19, 2013; Day #2: February 9, 2013; Day #3: April 13, 2013: 9am – 4.30pm

**Location:** Physio-Logic Neurological Rehabilitation, 96 Scarsdale Rd, Toronto

**Course Description:**

This is a practical course for physiotherapists and occupational therapists who have completed the 3-week IBITA / NDTA certified Basic Course titled Assessment and Treatment of Adults with Neurological Conditions, The Bobath Concept.

**Contact:** [info@cbiaorg.com](mailto:info@cbiaorg.com) or visit [www.bobathcanada.com](http://www.bobathcanada.com) for further details and registration

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### CANADIAN ACADEMY OF PAIN MANAGEMENT – PAIN SERIES

**Dates:**

January 26, 2013 - CBT in Multimodal Pain Management

March 2, 2013 - Application of CBT to Complex Pain Problems

**Pain Course Series**

This course will benefit clinicians in the front lines of pain management. This course will be hands-on including Simulations, practice sessions, group discussions and feedback. The focus will be with an emphasis on sharing and acquiring therapy skills. Each course will build upon the one before, while the final course in March will have modules that attendees can rotate through on practices and learned methods from November and January. However the Design of all 3 courses provides the attendee with skills and information if attending only 1 of the course dates.

Faculty is drawn from Canadian pain practitioners, respected for their contributions to pain management.

**Course Objectives**

- Provide case-based topics.
- Small working groups and interaction with groups and faculty.
- Provide take-away skills and information that can be applied to your own practice.

**Location:**

Delta Chelsea Hotel, *Mountbatten Salon*—2nd Floor, 33 Gerrard Street East, Toronto

**Questions:** CAPM Office: T: 905-404-9545; [office@eventsinsync.com](mailto:office@eventsinsync.com)

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## NDT/BOBATH CERTIFICATE COURSE - IN THE MANAGEMENT & TREATMENT OF ADULTS WITH HEMIPLEGIA

### Dates:

Part 1: April 20-23; Part 2: May 4-7; Part 3: May 30 - June 2; Part 4: June 20-23: 8am–4:30

### Course Overview:

This course presents the philosophy, principles and assessment and treatment strategies of the NDT/Bobath Approach as applied to the management of adults with hemiplegia and other neurological conditions. Content includes lecture, instructor-led treatment demonstrations, lab practicums, problem solving sessions, and patient treatment by the participants. This course fulfills requirements established by the Neuro-Developmental Treatment Association, Inc. (NDTA™, Inc.) for recognition as an approved certificate course. Course graduates are entitled to take NDTA™, Inc. approved advanced courses. Participants will have laboratory sessions to practice various hands-on intervention strategies. Participants will also treat patients with guidance from the instructors.

### Location:

Royal Vitoria Regional Health Centre, 201 Georgian Drive, Outpatient Rehabilitation Dept, 1SB Rm. 1442/ 1446, Barrie

### Information:

If you are interested in applying to this course or have any questions, please contact Rebecca Bloor at [bloorr@rvh.on.ca](mailto:bloorr@rvh.on.ca) or by phone at (705) 728-9090 ext. 42620. The application deadline is end of day **April 5, 2013**. Successful applicants will be notified by April 12, 2013.

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## BAYCREST 2013 NEUROSCIENCE CONFERENCE: BRAIN PLASTICITY AND NEUROREHABILITATION

Save the date to join world-renowned scientists at the 23rd annual Baycrest's Rotman Research Institute conference titled "Brain Plasticity and Neurorehabilitation".

**Date:** March 4-6, 2013. Pre-conference workshops on March 3, 2013.

### Key dates:

- Early bird registration ends January 15.
- Poster submission deadline is December 15.
- Special conference rates are available for accommodations at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel in Toronto

### About the Conference

The conference will bring together internationally renowned neuroscientists, clinicians and future scientists to address the science of neurorehabilitation. [Scientific presentations](#) will highlight research conducted in Canada and around the world and poster sessions will provide an opportunity for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows to present their work and interact with leaders in the field. [Register online now](#) and [download the complete conference program](#) (PDF).

### Keynote sessions:

- Harnessing the power of neuroplasticity for intervention by Dr. Bryan Kolb, University of Lethbridge, Canada.
- Cortical plasticity within and across lifetimes: A comparative approach by Dr. Leah Krubitzer, University of California, Davies, USA.
- Principles of Cognitive Neurorehabilitation by Dr. Barbara Wilson, Cambridge University, UK.

**Location:** The Westin Harbour Castle, 1 Harbour St., Toronto, Canada

**Information:** Queries can be directed to (416) 785-2500 ext. 2363 or e-mail [Paula Ferreira \(PFerreira@baycrest.org\)](mailto:PFerreira@baycrest.org).

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## **INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON HIV AND REHABILITATION RESEARCH – JUNE 2013**

**The Canadian Working Group on HIV and Rehabilitation (CWGHR)** is pleased to invite you to the International Forum on HIV and Rehabilitation Research to be held in **Toronto, Canada on June 13-14th, 2013** at the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute, St. Michael's Hospital. This Forum will be held in partnership with the CWGHR Annual General Meeting and CWGHR 15th Anniversary Celebration.

The field of HIV and rehabilitation research is emerging, with Canada and the UK as leaders HIV rehabilitation research. Evidence suggests that rehabilitation has the potential to improve health and quality of life outcomes for people living with HIV. In industrialized countries, individuals are living longer and may be living with the health consequences of HIV, comorbidities and associated treatments. People living with HIV in the UK and Canada face similar issues, including challenges accessing rehabilitation services, social participation issues related to income and employment, and increasing concurrent health conditions faced by those aging with HIV.

At the Forum, speakers from Canada, the UK and Ireland will translate research evidence knowledge on HIV and rehabilitation generated through the Canada-UK HIV and Rehabilitation Research Collaborative (CUHRRRC), CWGHR, and other organizations engaging in HIV and rehabilitation research across key research priorities including:

- Aging with concurrent health conditions
- HIV and neurocognitive rehabilitation
- Access to and effect of rehabilitation
- Labour force participation and employment
- And many more!

Through this Forum, we will foster new research and clinical partnerships between Canada, Ireland and the UK, generate strategies for ongoing knowledge transfer and exchange nationally and internationally, discuss mechanisms to incorporate research into practice and policy, and identify new and emerging priorities in HIV and rehabilitation.

**SAVE THE DATES** now to join over 100 colleagues and participants on June 13-14th, 2013. The official Forum Agenda and a confirmed list of speakers will be available soon.

**For further information** about the Forum, contact François L'Ecuyer at [FLecuyer@HIVandRehab.ca](mailto:FLecuyer@HIVandRehab.ca) or **(416) 513-0440 ext. 238**.

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## **SAVE THE DATE!**

**EDUCATION SIG 5TH ANNUAL CHRONIC PAIN REFRESHER COURSE**

**Date:** September 27–29, 2013

**Location:** Delta Chelsea Hotel, 33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto, Ontario

**CLINICIANS OF ALL DISCIPLINES** are welcome and will find sessions specific to their fields, as well as other fields of practice in pain management, with the focus on application.

**PARTICULARLY VALUABLE TO TRAINEES**, recent graduates, and experienced practitioners, who will have the opportunity to interact with colleagues and discuss a variety of clinical issues at all meals and breaks. **CLINICAL RESEARCHERS** will also find the sessions valuable, offering insight into a wide range of issues related to pain management. Faculty is drawn from Canadian pain practitioners and researchers, respected for their contributions to pain management.

## **OTHER NEWS**

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### **REHAB SCIENCES SPACE AVAILABLE FOR RENT!**

Event space is available to rent in the Rehabilitation Sciences Building at 500 University Ave. The Rehabilitation Sciences Building is located just north of Dundas St, close to University Health Network, Hospital for Sick Children, Mount Sinai Hospital and the Toronto Rehabilitation Institute.

We are also close to the Ryerson University Business School at Bay and Dundas, and the Ontario College of Art and Design on McCaul St.

We have two step-style classrooms with desks that seat up to 90 persons and a number of flat classrooms that seat from 40 up to 90. In addition, there are a number of small 'break out' rooms available that can be used for groups of 12. We also have a computer lab with 44 desktop computers that can be used for testing or training. PT also has two clinical labs which provide great opportunities for practicing and teaching clinical skills. The building has a small café on the ground floor. You can view pictures of our facilities on the Rehab Sector web site, [www.rehab.utoronto.ca](http://www.rehab.utoronto.ca).

**For availability and rates, please contact Rehab Sciences at: 416-946-8554**

**Email:** [rehabsector.reception@utoronto.ca](mailto:rehabsector.reception@utoronto.ca).

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