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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



As this year draws to a close, I would like to give a special thanks to our talented faculty and staff, who have done an amazing job of bringing us through an exciting, incredibly busy year with flying colours. Thank you for all of your hard work! I would also like to thank the many colleagues throughout the community that I have had the privilege to work with. We look forward to many exciting projects and activities coming up in 2011!

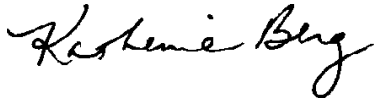
I would like to wish you and your families a healthy and prosperous new year, and the very best for the holidays.

Mark your calendars!

Following are some upcoming events of interest:

- **Rehab Rounds – January 6th, 2011:** (12pm – 1pm) **Renee Lyons**, Bridgepoint Chair in Complex Chronic Disease Research.
- **Rehab Rounds – February 3rd, 2011:** (12pm – 1pm) **Janet Parsons**, "Film-based research methods and rehabilitation science: New tools for inquiry, knowledge translation and public engagement". *For full schedule, see events section below*
- **January 20th, 2011:** Department of Physical Therapy Recognition and Exceptional Achievement Awards ceremony.
- **January 20th, 2011:** Full day course 'Another Look at the Elephant; Developing expertise through clinical reasoning'. *See events section below.*
- **May 11th, 2011:** Rehab Sector Research and Clinical Education Day

If you have any comments or feedback, please let us know at pt.chair@utoronto.ca.



Katherine Berg
Chair, Department of Physical Therapy

PT PROFILES

MARIA HUIJBREGTS – PROFILE OF A RESEARCHER



Dr. Maria Huijbregts is a Registered Physiotherapist and health scientist. She has a diploma in physiotherapy from the Netherlands, a BScPT from the University of Toronto, a Masters in Health Sciences from McMaster University and a PhD in Health Studies and Gerontology from the University of Waterloo. Presently, she is Director of Clinical Performance and Accreditation at Baycrest Geriatric Health Care Centre, one of the world's premier academic health science centers focused on aging. She holds appointments as Assistant Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of Toronto, Adjunct Professor at Lakehead University, and is an associate scientist in the Kunin-Lunenfeld Applied Research Unit at Baycrest. She also chairs the Advisory, Research and Ethics committee at the Aphasia Institute in Toronto.

Dr. Huijbregts has expertise in clinical/practice based program evaluation, including outcome measure development and implementation, and has published and lectured extensively in these areas. The focus of her current work is the enhancement of clinical practice through the implementation of best available evidence at the point of care. Dr. Huijbregts believes that clinical evaluation from an outcome and care process perspective for both clients and staff is of primary importance in the integration of care, education and research. She has applied this practice-based research approach to the development and delivery of Moving on After Stroke (MOST), a leading edge self-management program for people living with stroke in the community. Her passion for optimizing community participation after stroke is evident in her work at the Aphasia Institute, ongoing involvement in MOST (including video-conferencing), and participation in the Canada-wide Life after Stroke study.

Dr. Huijbregts also applied this practice based research perspective in her work on the implementation of a new mental health guideline in Long Term Care. Using participatory action research for that initiative has given her a strong understanding of the needs, strengths, challenges and importance of implementing best practices and improving quality at the point of care. The work in this area has also shown her that meaningful staff involvement is critical and enhances both client care and staff satisfaction with their work. Dr. Huijbregts encourages students to use clinical evaluation as a tool to think critically about their work and to lay the foundation for scholarly practice. Her objective is to embed sound research, outcome measurement and evaluation activities as critical components in achieving the goal of 'the best care, at the right time, for the right person'.

SHELLEY GAUTIER – UPDATE ON HER JOURNEY TOWARD THE 2012 PARALYMPIC GAMES

An article about Shelley was recently posted on the website of the Toronto Sports Council. As noted in our previous profile on Shelley, she is waiting to hear if she will be selected as a Team Canada Athlete. It is looking good, as she was selected for every event Team Canada went to last year, earning the most points for Canada! Triking will be included in the 2012 Paralympic Games in London if there are three nations with female athletes to compete. The Team Canada roster will be announced shortly...keeping our fingers crossed for Shelley!!!



To see the article, please click on:

http://www.torontosportscouncil.ca/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=292&Itemid=226

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DEPARTMENT NEWS



ESTHER WAUGH JOINS PT FACULTY

We are pleased to welcome Esther Waugh to the Unit 3 MSK Teaching Team. Esther received her PhD in Clinical Epidemiology from the University of Toronto in 2009. For the past year, she was a Research Associate at Women's College Hospital in the Osteoporosis and Osteoarthritis Research Program. Her PhD work examined relationships among recovery, illness characteristics and exercise on bone density in women with anorexia nervosa. Her ongoing research interests focus on physical activity for the prevention and management of chronic musculoskeletal disease.

PT1 STUDENTS RAISE THE BAR FOR MOVEMBER

The Department of Physical Therapy's first year students raised over \$1,500.00 for Movember! Movember is month long program to raise awareness and funds for prostate cancer. Movember challenges men to grow a moustache, starting November 1st clean-shaven, and nurturing their growth for the entire month. Congratulations to all those gentlemen who took on the project to grow their facial hair with such enthusiasm!

MIKE LANDRY VISITS EARTHQUAKE SURVIVORS IN HAITI

Mike Landry was interviewed on November 23rd, during his visit to some of the earthquake survivors his team had originally helped. Following is the link to the interview:
<http://www.cbc.ca/video/#/News/1221258968/ID=1660798309>

VIRGINIA WRIGHT NAMED AS INTERIM DIRECTOR, HOLLAND BLOORVIEW

Congratulations to Virginia Wright, Clinician Scientist at Holland Bloorview, who was named as Interim Director at the Bloorview Research Institute effective December 7th. Virginia has been with Holland Bloorview for over 20 years, and is also an Assistant Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy. Following the completion of her PhD in Health Research Methodology from McMaster University in 2006, she took the role of Clinician Scientist at the BRI. Virginia is a research leader in outcome measures, and has led the way in taking a client-centred approach to the evaluation of children's functional abilities. Dr. Colin Macarthur, the former Director, has accepted the position of Associate Chief Clinical Research, for the Research Institute at SickKids.

CAREERS

CAREER OPPORTUNITY:

Maternity Leave Contract – Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education

ALLOCATION: 0.75 FTE

DEPARTMENT: Physical Therapy, University of Toronto

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ACCE has primary responsibility as the faculty lead for the six clinical education curriculums including six internships. The ACCE also plays a key role in building and maintaining relationships with academic and community partners.
- Other duties as agreed upon with Chair

EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS:

Minimum Requirements

- Individual should be a PT licensed in Ontario, with a master's degree at minimum, minimum of 3 years experience in clinical instruction, teaching and/or coordination, active in professional activities at local, provincial, and/or national levels.

DATE OF CONTRACT: March 1, 2011 - January 1, 2012 with possibility of extension

CONTACT: Katherine Berg, Chair – pt.chair@utoronto.ca

A more complete job description and preferred qualifications is available upon request

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO KARL ZABJEK!

Karl Zabjek (PI), Reinhard Zeller, Sunita Mathur, Elaine Biddiss, Heather Carnahan, Anne Agur, Stephen Lewis, Shaker Meguid received a Canadian Institute of Health Research Catalyst Grant: Bone Health. This multi-disciplinary team aims to understand how mobility is affected by surgical intervention in children and youth who are living with a spinal deformity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2010 CONVOCATION AWARD RECIPIENTS!

The awards celebration was held on November 9th in the McLeod Auditorium at the Medical Sciences Building, University of Toronto. Below are some photos and a list of the award winners.



Eli Montuno (Valedictorian)

CANADIAN PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATION AWARD

Recipient: Katherine Symes

CANADIAN PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATION - PAEDIATRIC DIVISION AWARD

Recipient: Robyn Spencer

MOLLY VERRIER AWARD

Recipient: Andrea Ottensmeyer

CARLOS MELENDEZ MEMORIAL AWARD

Recipient: Karen Ho

PT HEALTH PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT RESEARCH

Recipients: Andrea Ottensmeyer, Sanmeet Chattha,

Sheyami Jayawardena, Kelly McBoyle, Christine Wrong

C. ESTELLE CUNNINGHAM BOOK PRIZE

Recipient: Sanmeet Chattha

GOLDIE LEWIS AWARD

Recipient: RJ Elliott

CENTRAL TORONTO DISTRICT – ONTARIO PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATION AWARD

Recipient: Andrea Ottensmeyer

THE HEART AND BREATH OF PHYSICAL THERAPY AWARD

Recipient: Christopher Iacob

BREATHE IN LIFE RESEARCH POSTER AWARD

Recipient: Elizabeth Hall, Maia Sluzar, Robyn Spencer, Ashley Rogers, Thomas Fee

HERTA LEYSS SCHOLARSHIP IN PHYSICAL THERAPY

Recipient: Eryn Creamer

THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN PRIZE IN PAEDIATRICS

Recipient: Jason Martin

KATHRYN A. FALCONER MEMORIAL BOOK PRIZE

Recipient: Katherine Symes

PHYSICAL THERAPY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (U OF T) AWARD

Recipient: Eli Montuno

MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL BOOK PRIZE

Recipient: Megan Pfeifer

MARY N. SAURIOL BUSINESS PRACTICE PRIZE

Recipient: Eryn Creamer



LtoR: Mary Sauriol, Katherine Berg, Darryl Yardley, Cathy Evans



LtoR: Goldie Lewis & Marion Leslie-Bethune

MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE BOOK PRIZE

Recipient: **Sam Lee**

TORONTO CATHAY LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: **Kelly McBoyle**

OLIVE WALLACE PESTER FELLOWSHIP IN PHYSICAL THERAPY

Recipient: **Tania Trojeto & Katherine Symes**



LtoR: Katherine Symes, Olive Wallace Pester, Tania Trojeto

ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL TRAUMA PHYSIOTHERAPY AWARD

Recipient: **Christopher Iacob**

TORONTO REHABILITATION INSTITUTE PATIENT QUALITY OF LIFE AWARD

Recipient: **Karen Iwaski**

CIHR HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

Recipient: **Andrea Ottensmeyer**

UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK BOOK PRIZE

Recipient: **Elizabeth Hall**

THE PHYSICAL THERAPY ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

Recipient: **Katherine Symes**

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COURSES/PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS

REHAB ROUNDS SCHEDULE – 2010/2011

Date	Speaker	Room	Topic
January 6 th 12:00 – 1:00	Renee Lyons	Rm 132	Bridgepoint Health – Topic TBA
February 3 rd 12:00 – 1:00	Janet Parsons	Rm 132	Film-based research methods and rehabilitation science: New tools for inquiry, knowledge translation and public engagement
March 3 rd 12:00 – 1:00	Nancy White, CIHI	Rm 132	TBA
March 29 th 12:00 – 1:00	Dr. Frank Kronenberg Founder of Occupational Therapy without Borders	TBA	TBA
April 7 th 12:00 – 1:00	Deirdre Dawson PhD, OT Reg (ON) Senior Scientist, Kunin-Lunenfeld Applied Research Unit, Baycrest & Associate Professor, OS/OT, UofT	Rm 132	TBA
May 5 th 12:00 – 1:00	Luc De Nil Professor and Chair, Dept of Speech-Language Pathology	Rm 132	Stroke-based Neurogenic Stuttering
June 2 nd 12:00 – 1:00	Sharon Staus	Rm 132	TBA
June 23 rd 12:00 – 1:00	Dr. Charles Christiansen 2011 Thelma Cardwell Lecturer	TBA	TBA

REHABILITATION RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Schedule for Jan 2011 – Apr 2011

Time: Thursdays, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Location: Rehab Science Building 500 University Avenue

Course Faculty Professors Dina Brooks and Katherine Berg

Tel.: (416) 978-0173 (Berg) and (416) 978-1739 (Brooks)

Email: katherine.berg@utoronto.ca or dina.brooks@utoronto.ca

Date and Room	Presenter and Topic	Co-coordinator Present
Jan 6 th Rm 150	"Writing manuscripts for publication in peer-reviewed journals". <i>Dr. Stephanie Nixon, Assistant Professor, Department of Physical Therapy</i>	Dina Brooks
Jan 20 th Rm 150	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "The Effect of a 3-D scapulo-humeral mobilization technique on post-stroke shoulder pain". <i>Liza Pain</i> ▪ "Human Technology Interaction in the classroom: The effects of a multi-touch table application on student engagement". <i>Tammy Craig</i> 	Katherine Berg

Feb 3rd Rm 140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Brain Injury and Impaired Sleep Function". <i>Tatyana Mollayeva</i> 	Dina Brooks
Feb 17 th Rm 140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Non-invasive examination of muscle composition in people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease". <i>Priscila Robles-Ribeiro</i> ▪ "Changes in life attitude after Traumatic Brain Injury(TBI) and their relationship to Community Integration." <i>Erxun Li</i> 	Katherine Berg
Mar 3rd Rm 150	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Assessment in clinical education for physical therapy students". <i>Brenda Mori</i> ▪ "Designing a simple, touch-screen technology to help caregivers interact with smart home technologies for older adults with dementia". <i>Amy Hwang</i> 	Katherine Berg
Mar 17th Rm 150 2-4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Regenerating Central Nervous System Axons, One Eye at a Time". <i>Mark Magharious</i> ▪ "Exploring the experiences of children living with HIV using a disability framework". <i>Marianne Stevens</i> 	Dina Brooks
Mar 31st Rm 150	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Identifying the factors that influence the systematic adoption of caregiver education and support programs by the health care system" . <i>Victrine Tseung</i> ▪ "Bandwidth Guidance and Motor Skill Learning". <i>Camille William</i> 	Katherine Berg
Apr 7 th Rm 140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Effects of prenatal alcohol exposure on episodic memory development in late childhood and adolescence." <i>Sabrina Agnihotri</i> ▪ "Compensatory Stepping after Stroke". <i>Liz Inness</i> 	Dina Brooks

CENTRE FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT WINTER WORKSHOPS

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

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

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

Workshop topics include:

Videoconferencing 101: Planning and Delivering Education via Videoconferencing Searching Faster and Smarter: Online Search Strategies from Health Science Librarians Portfolios Qualitative Data Collection Part A & B Quantitative Data Collection Part A & B Research in medical education: Asking good questions - using appropriate methods Effective Ethics Applications and Participant Recruitment Strategies

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

SAVE THE DATES!!

UPCOMING COURSES – UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Mark Jones Mark Jones BSc (Psych), Grad Dip Advan Manip Ther, MAppSc is coming to Toronto to offer two clinically relevant courses in **January 2011**.

**SHOULDER IMPINGEMENT AND INSTABILITY:
Biomechanical Principles, Clinical Reasoning, Practical Examination & Management**

January 14 and 15, 2011

This two day course will cover biomechanical principles, routine and more advanced examination, differentiation and treatment procedures for the shoulder complex in the context of clinical reasoning. Emphasis will be placed on shoulder impingement and instability and on improving manual skills in all assessment and management procedures. Current research on dynamic stability of the shoulder complex is highlighted and techniques for testing passive and dynamic stability and retraining motor control are demonstrated and practiced.

Registration Fee: \$500 (Includes course manual)



**AND
ANOTHER LOOK AT THE ELEPHANT
DEVELOPING EXPERTISE THROUGH CLINICAL REASONING**
Understanding the problem and the person
A course for musculoskeletal physical therapists

Thursday, January 20, 2011

This one day course will include a mix of didactic lecture and case-based learning to provide physical therapists with clinical reasoning theory and practice needed to: 1) understand and manage patients' physical problems through "diagnostic reasoning" and procedural management; and 2) understand and manage patients' psychosocial factors through "narrative reasoning" and cognitive-experiential management.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To review contemporary clinical reasoning theory and associated models of health and disability
2. To practice diagnostic and narrative reasoning and recognition of common errors
3. To highlight learning theory relevant to facilitating change in patient's thinking and behavior
4. To review theory on creative thinking and practice lateral thinking

Registration Fee: \$235 (Includes course manual)

For further information: <http://www.physicaltherapy.utoronto.ca/events/upcoming.htm>

Phone: 416-946-8641 Email: pt.reception@utoronto.ca

HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO TAKE A COURSE TO IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS AS A CLINICAL EDUCATOR? IF SO, HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY....

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) has developed an excellent course for clinical instructors that the Department of PT would like to offer to our clinical educators. The course will take place in **2 parts on Saturday from 8:30-4:30 on January 22 and 29, 2011 at 500 University Avenue (room to be determined)**.

The course will be taught by Brenda Mori and Robyn Davies, faculty within the Department of Physical Therapy and Credentialed Clinical Instructor Course Trainers. Individuals are required to participate in both full days to complete the course. The **registration deadline is Tuesday December 21, 2010**. Please note this will be the last time the course is offered for this amount (\$175) as we have been informed that the APTA portion of the fees will be increased by \$40 for non-APTA members next year.

This course is open to other health care professionals (i.e. OT, SLPs, RNs) and will be \$241. The increased fee for non PT/PTAs reflects the increased fees from APTA. Please see the attached information for details.

Individuals are required to participate for both days to complete the course. The registration deadline for this course is **Tuesday December 21, 2010**. Enrolment for this course is limited.

Step 1: Complete the registration form (this is an Adobe 'fillable' form that can be submitted electronically by email).

Step 2: Complete the APTA CI Course Participant Dossier (note this requires your manager/practice leader to complete the bottom portion).

Step 3: Attach a copy of your College of Physiotherapist (or appropriate College) registration card to the Participant Dossier (this is required by APTA).

Step 4: Email ptclined@utoronto.ca or fax (416-946-8646) or mail the attached registration form and participant dossier to Jane Kean by **December 21, 2010** and mail the cheque for \$175 (\$241 for non PT/PTAs) made payable to 'Department of Physical Therapy, U of T' to: Jane Kean 160-500 University Avenue; Toronto, ON, M5G 1V7

If you have any questions, or require forms, please contact: Jane Kean ptclined@utoronto.ca

BALANCE, MOBILITY AND FITNESS – ACCELERATING RESEARCH INTO CLINICAL PRACTICE

This one-day conference will explore current research in the areas of balance, fitness and mobility that is relevant to the assessment and management of clinical populations.

When: Friday, January 28, 2011

Where: Westin Harbour Castle, 1 Harbour Square, Toronto

Who Should Attend: Researchers and healthcare professionals (including physiotherapists, occupational therapists, kinesiologists and physicians) are invited to network, collaborate, and share their experiences.

Conference objectives:

- To update participants on current or emerging areas of research within the domains of balance, fitness/physical activity, and mobility
- To provide participants with concrete examples of how research can be applied to the assessment and management of their clinical populations
- To provide opportunities for clinicians and researchers to network and learn from each other's experiences

To learn more and register visit <http://www.torontorehab.com/Balance-Mobility-and-Fitness.aspx>

MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY: CHALLENGES AND CONTROVERSIES IN RESEARCH

Date: Friday February 4, 2011

Location: Park Hyatt, 4 Avenue Road, Toronto.

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.torontorehab.com/mild-brain-injury-registration>

2011 INAUGURAL GERIATRICS SYMPOSIUM – REPORT CARD ON ELDER CARE:
MAKING THE GRADE

Date: Friday February 25, 2011

Location: Sutton Place Hotel, 955 Bay Street, Toronto.

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.torontorehab.com/geriatrics-symposium-registration>

NDT INTRODUCTORY COURSE IN THE TREATMENT OF ADULTS WITH HEMIPLEGIA

Date: Tuesday, March 1 – 5, 2011

Location: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Lyndhurst Centre, 520 Sutherland Drive, Toronto

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.torontorehab.com/Events/Corporate-Events/NDT-Bobath-Introductory-Course-in-the-Treatment-of.aspx>

GTA REHAB NETWORK

Date: March 7, 2011

Location: 89 Chestnut Street, Toronto

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.gtarehabnetwork.ca/bpday.asp>

CLINICAL SCHOLARSHIP: PROMOTING EVIDENCE-INFORMED INTERPROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN CCC

Date: Friday April 8, 2011

Location: Sutton Place Hotel, 955 Bay Street, Toronto.

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.torontorehab.com/Events/Corporate-Events/CCC.aspx>

1st INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FACULTY DEVELOPMENT IN THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS

With the increasing complexity of academic health science centers, it is very important that health science schools address the professional development needs of their faculty members. Currently, there is no academic conference that specifically addresses the faculty development field for academic health science centers world-wide. We are hoping to fill this void with the 1st International Conference on Faculty Development in the Health Professions.

Date and Location: May 10-13, 2011 - Toronto

Who Should Attend? Individuals working or with an interest in:

- Faculty development; Faculty affairs; Teacher training; Career development; Conducting research and scholarship in faculty development

Goals

- Bring together international faculty development leaders / educators in the academic health sciences
- Share best practices and current research in faculty development
- Foster a global community of leaders in the field

Themes

- Faculty development programs and innovations
- Research and scholarly activity in faculty development

Faculty Development Definition

For purposes of this conference, faculty development is defined as the broad range of activities that institutions use to renew or assist faculty members in their multiple roles. Faculty development activities include programs to enhance teaching and education, research and scholarly activity, academic leadership and management, and faculty affairs, including faculty recruitment, advancement, retention, and vitality. The intent of these activities is to assist faculty members in their roles as teachers, educators, leaders, administrators and researchers.

This conference is being organized by:

1. Centre for Faculty Development in the Li Ka Shing International Education Centre of the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute of St. Michael's Hospital, a joint program with the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto
2. Centre for Medical Education and Faculty Development, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University

Contact Information: Office of Continuing Education & Professional Development
Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto
Phone: 416.978.2719 Fax: 416.946.7028
info.cepd@utoronto.ca <http://www.facultydevelopment2011.com/>

THIRD NORTH AMERICAN CONGRESS OF EPIDEMIOLOGY

Date: June 21-24, 2011 – Sheraton Centre Montreal

Abstract submission deadline is January 10, 2011.

Please visit the website to download the submission form. www.epicongress2011.org

Epidemiologic researchers, educators, and policy makers from academia, public health, government, and industry are invited to come together at the Third North American Congress of Epidemiology. The Congress aims to showcase and promote the diversity of study, practice and policy within epidemiology as a whole, and has no theme other than epidemiology. This meeting is held only once every five years and provides a unique opportunity to interact with a diverse group of epidemiologists from more than 20 professional societies. The meeting will include plenary addresses from visionary leaders; symposia addressing emerging issues cutting across topical fields; spotlight and poster sessions selected

PAIN MANAGEMENT: BRIDGING THE GAP FROM ACUTE CARE TO REHABILITATION AND INTO THE COMMUNITY

Date: Friday November 18, 2011

Location: TBD

For more information: Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Conferences Services
Phone 416-597-3422 x 3693 Email: conferences@torontorehab.on.ca

Website: <http://www.torontorehab.com/Events/Corporate-Events/Pain-Management-Across-the-Continuum--Bridging-the.aspx>

OTHER NEWS

REHAB SCIENCES SPACE AVAILABLE FOR RENT!

Event space is available to rent in the Rehabilitation Sciences Building at 500 University Ave. The 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.

For availability and rates, please contact the Rehab Sciences Sector at:
416-946-8554 Email: rehabsector.reception@utoronto.ca.

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Title of content:

Submitted by: (name)

Removal date/expiration date:

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For course information, please provide the title of the course, a brief description, the term it will be offered, and the website where more information on the course can be obtained.