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## Editorial:

Dear Stakeholders of the New Brunswick Health Research Enterprise

Amongst a very full week preparing for the Board, NAPHRO and 2016-2017 financial projections, I attended the visit and presentations from the Conference Board of Canada's Economist and Colleague in Fredericton (see articles in [Brunswick News](#) and the [Conference Board of Canada](#)).

Attached are most of the presentations of that day, one of which is by our NB Chief Economist, David Campbell. I will not regurgitate the highlights of a full day of highly valuable presentations (to view click: [Campbell presentation](#), [Hodgson presentation](#), [Munro presentation](#)) with lots of statistics, and an "industry"-panel, but rather extract the essence of where we should positively aim for the future.

New Brunswick's report card shows that we are not performing well in many categories with grades of C, D and D-. So where do we go from here regarding our (knowledge) economy and (research and) innovation? This will define who we are in the future.

We stand prepared to enter a new era of investment and rebranding / transforming / consolidating the HERD (Higher education expenditures on R&D) and GOVERD (Government intramural expenditures on R&D) systems. NB needs to recruit a research-intensive workforce, NB needs to reinforce its STEM (Science, Technologies, Engineering and Maths) capacity, e.g. increase full-time high-paying jobs - and health research is included in that process. NB is a reputable province. NB needs to attract bright minds (with and better traineeship awards / bursaries) to its universities: Bring the "Alberta", the international and the US-based, students, especially the trained and groomed postdoctoral fellows to NB. Let's reverse the flow of migrants from outbound to inbound, thereby repopulating the province with student immigrants. They might stay if we give them the means to pursue their research and innovation dreams.

NB needs to convince medium and large private sector organizations to join-in and invest their share of R&D (the BIRD – Business Investment in R&D - is not flying high). NB needs to be creative with an aggregated vision in what is a city-size province and end the divide. I welcomed Opportunities NB CEO's comment about Ireland during the round-table. Back in Dec. 2013, about 2 years ago to this very day, NBHRF organized a one-day workshop in the presence of the former GNB Premier, Minister of Health, etc. and a great many big pharma industry senior representatives. Part of my presentation then was to make New Brunswick the "Ireland" of North America in distribution, manufacturing and research, by aligning fiscal policy, procurement strategy, education / training and government investment in research and innovation. (Canada stands at 1.6% of GNP in this category, Scandinavian countries at 3-4%). Here we are at the crossroads. We need to make hard choices that won't be easy, but we have to do it, in a way which I would define as "with realistic optimism", and thereby seed our way to the future.

My *MOVER & SHAKER* of the week: Glen Hodgson, Senior VP and Chief Economist at The Conference Board of Canada.

Wishing you all a good week.

- Dr. Bruno Battistini, President & CEO – Scientific Director, NBHRF

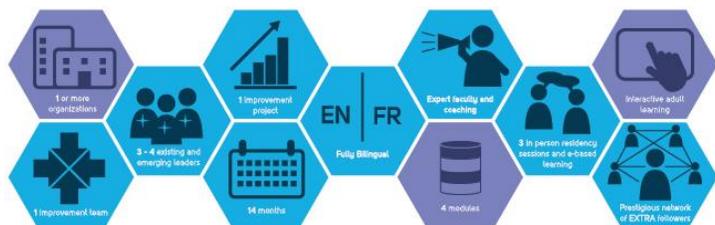
## Funding Opportunities:



**NBHRF Summer Studentships:** Deadline Dec. 15, 2015. For more information, [click here](#).

Canada's only fully bilingual improvement fellowship for healthcare leadership training is back! The EXTRA program has launched a 12<sup>th</sup> call for applications and CFHI is inviting highly motivated teams to [apply by February 15, 2016](#).

- **WHAT:** Apply to the EXTRA: Executive Training Program
- **WHEN:** Application deadline is February 15, 2016. Work starts April 2016.



- **WHY:** Build organizational and leadership to achieve breakthrough innovations resulting in better care, better health and better value.

**Learn more** from former fellows Martine Couture and Lynn Edwards on the [December 2, 2015 informational call](#).

**Watch the video** to learn more about how the program, grounded in the complex reality of leading and managing in today's health and healthcare environments, benefited former EXTRA fellows and their CEOs, patients and organizations.

**CIHR Institute of Populations and Public Health GACD Lung Disease Team Grant:**

This funding opportunity on [Implementation Research on the Primary Prevention of Chronic Lung Diseases in Low and Middle Income Countries](#) (LMICs) is the third joint research program of the [Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases](#) (GACD). [Deadline for applications: February 24th, 2016](#).

Webinar December 11th, 2015 from 1:00-2:00PM (EDT). Registration details to follow soon

**Advance Elder-Friendly Care - Participate in the ACE Collaborative. Seed funding of up to \$40,000 available. Application deadline is Feb. 1, 2016.** CFHI, in partnership with Technology Evaluation in the Elderly Network (TVN), is inviting applications to the 12-month [Acute Care for Elders \(ACE\) Collaborative](#) supporting organizations to adapt and implement elder-friendly best practices

## Job Opportunities:



**CHAIRE DE RECHERCHE INTERDISCIPLINAIRE EN SANTÉ MENTALE DES ENFANTS ET DES JEUNES.** Deadline: December 15th, 2015 Start Date : July 1st, 2016

For more information or to apply contact (506) 858-4310 Université de Moncton; (506) 863-2249 Medical information Centre of New Brunswick; [fesr@umoncton.ca](mailto:fesr@umoncton.ca) and [cfmnb@umoncton.ca](mailto:cfmnb@umoncton.ca)

## Events & Meetings:



**Embedded Clinician Researcher Salary Award**

**Application deadline: March 3, 2016**

Join the CIHR-Institute for Health Services and Policy Research and the CIHR-Institute for Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis for a webinar to learn more about the new [CIHR Embedded Clinician Researcher Salary Award](#). Please share this with your networks and colleagues who may be interested in applying for this award.

**Register for the webinar on [Tuesday, December 8 at 1:00 pm ^ 2:00 pm Eastern Time](#)**

**Or Register for the webinar on [Monday, January 18 at 1:00 pm ^ 2:00 pm Eastern Time](#)**

Once the host approves your request, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions.

**CIRH Institute of Population and Public Health: Upcoming conference submissions, all for abstracts, upcoming events and awards.**

[Call for Abstracts: 4th Wellbeing at Work Conference](#) Deadline: 2015/12/01

Canadian Actions to Advance Work on Health Equity and the Social Determinants of Health Webinar 2015/12/10 [Register now!](#)

[Fourth Global Symposium on Health Systems Research](#) Vancouver British Columbia Call for Abstracts Deadline 2016/03/20

Focus webinar: Different approaches to defining high users: Who are we catching, who are we missing- [Register now!](#)

## CRHI Free December Webinars:

**Dec. 11:** [A Collaborative Approach to a Chronic Care Problem in Canada: Evaluative Results from the Atlantic Healthcare Collaboration - Part 3](#)

**CHNET Upcoming Webinars:**

**December 9th, 215 1-2:30 pm:** [Knocking on Doors and Breaking Down Walls: Advocacy for Immigrant and Refugee Children](#)

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**Aging in Place Forum-Save the Date!** December 9th in Moncton, NB at the Four Points Sheraton. Registration is available on line until December 4<sup>th</sup> at <http://fluidsurveys.com/s/forumregistrationdec92015/>

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**Grant Proposal Writing Workshop: 2016 CIHR Knowledge Synthesis Grant – Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Halifax, NS.** For more information and to register, [click here.](#)

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***Defeating the Dark Shadow of Alzheimer's disease and Dementia Through Person Centered Care: A Conference for Health Care Professionals*** - April 12, 2016; Bicentennial Ballroom, Fredericton Inn Conference Centre

For More Information and to Register Contact the Alzheimer Society of New Brunswick [506-459-4280](tel:506-459-4280) / [1-800-664-8411](tel:1-800-664-8411) / [info@alzheimernb.ca](mailto:info@alzheimernb.ca)

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