

**September 2020**

## UNBC Health Research Institute Knowledge Synthesis Centre

In 2019, the [UNBC Health Research Institute \(HRI\)](#) launched a [Knowledge Synthesis Centre \(KS\)](#) with the purpose of 1) expanding the capacity of UNBC and partner organizations including, Northern Health, to ask and answer health focused questions using synthesis methods, 2) enhancing rural and northern applicability of the evidence, and 3) setting up knowledge to be translated into action in policy and practice.

The Centres three core function are: 1) Collaborative Knowledge Synthesis Projects 2) Methodological Services & Supports and 3) Training & Capacity Building.

Currently the KS Centre is supporting two **patient oriented research** synthesis. These are:

### **Hermeneutic Approach to Implementation Scoping Review**

Academic Lead: [Dr. Martha MacLeod](#) with Patient Partner Peter Zimmer

Partner: [Cathy Ulrich](#), Northern Health

Funder: [BC SUPPOURT Unit](#)

### **Health Research Networks Systematic Review**

Academic Lead: [Davina Banner– Lukaris](#) with Patient Partners Marc Bains and Sylvain Bédard

Partner: [Centre of Excellence on Partnership with Patients and Public](#)

Funder: [CIHR Project Grant](#)

Please email us with any questions or inquiries at [knowledgesynthesis@unbc.ca](mailto:knowledgesynthesis@unbc.ca)

## Rural Health Services Research Network of BC Team Building Awards

Applications for the Rural Health Services Networks of BC Team Building Awards are open!

The awards provide an opportunity for researchers to apply for up to **\$2500** in funding to support the development of a research team that contributes to the advancement of knowledge in the field of rural health and, any anticipated outcomes.

The goal of the awards are to promote and support the development of new multidisciplinary research teams focused on an issue of current importance to rural and remote health services and whose main goal is to apply for research funding.

**Deadline: September 30th**

[Learn more](#)

## Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research (MSFHR)

We've received questions from the community about whether the Convening and Collaborating (C2) and Reach funding competitions are still running in light of the pandemic. Both competitions are still open, and the deadlines were extended to **September 28, 2020**.

Please note that primary applicants must hold a post at an [eligible host institution](#) (as an Assistant Professor level or higher) that can hold research funds and supervise trainees.

The MSFHR Reach Program is designed to bring together researchers and research users to support the dissemination of research evidence, within the context of related knowledge, to facilitate its effective uptake and potential to impact health and care. Each award helps teams of health researchers and research users to co-develop events, activities, and/or tools to share research findings and disseminate research evidence beyond the normal researcher peer group to reach audiences who can directly use the knowledge. Projects might include a [social media initiative](#), [patient forum](#), or a [learning curriculum](#).

See the website for more information: <https://www.msfhr.org/2020-reach-competition>

## Job Descriptions

### Intern position at Northern Health, Climate Change & Health Impacts (Casual) (Worksite location is flexible)

Work as part of the Population & Public Health Support Unit to assist in developmental work around air quality, climate change and population health in collaboration with Population & Public Health programs.

Apply online: <https://expectmore.northernhealth.ca/ViewPosting.aspx?id=5468884&f=0-0-29--0-0>

### Research Manager position at UNBC – Strength for All - Elder Mental Wellness and Suicide Prevention

We are looking for a forward-thinking leader with strong communication, management, and organizational skills that can collaborate with our team and lead various aspects of a research project surrounding resiliency-based suicide prevention.

This project builds on previous suicide research focused on youth and adults with a focus on continuing to promote mental wellness and suicide prevention among older adults.

Apply online: <https://www.unbc.ca/54740/research-manager-strength-all-elder-mental-wellness-and-suicide-prevention>

## Contact Information

For more information, contact the Northern Centre by [email](#) or visit our [website](#).

