

2013 Awards

- David Sackett
Distinguished Fellow
- Lorne Tyrrell
Armstrong Lecturer

2013 Invited Scientific Presentations

- Neil Cashman
Prions and prion-like diseases: twisted sisters
- Joy Johnson
Why Gender Matters to Public Health: A Tale of Three Studies

2012 CAHS Forum

End of Life in Canada

Special Series published in Clinical Investigative Medicine Visit <http://www.cahs-acss.ca/proceedings/>

HOLD THE DATE!

2014 Forum &
Annual General Meeting
THURSDAY & FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 18 & 19, 2014
Chateau Laurier Hotel
Ottawa



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Dear CAHS Fellow,

I am eagerly anticipating the next two years of working on your behalf as President of CAHS. This note is the first of what I intend will be regular but brief updates on CAHS activities.

In the coming year, CAHS will:

- Conduct local meetings at several sites across Canada
- Strengthen its communication strategies
- Disseminate its activities more broadly
- Update its prior assessments
- Seek increased partnerships with like academies and bodies involved in health policy development.

I look forward to working with you in these activities.

Sincerely,

John Cairns, President

Highlights of the CAHS Annual General Meeting in Ottawa (September 19-20, 2013)

- ⇒ 40 of our 54 new Fellows were inducted.
- ⇒ The theme of the annual forum was *Addictions*, co-chaired by Drs Martin Schechter and Anthony Phillips. Speakers presented the latest information and insights into: social and environmental determinants of substance abuse; biologic approaches to understanding addiction and innovations in our approach to addiction.
- ⇒ This year's Forum concluded with a stimulating DEBATE... **Be it resolved: "That the use of illicit drugs should be decriminalized."** **FOR**, Ethan Nadelmann, US Drug Policy Alliance; **AGAINST**, Michel Perron, Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse; **FOR – REBUTTAL**, Senator Larry Campbell, Senate Standing Committees on Aboriginal Peoples and Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration ; **AGAINST – REBUTTAL**, Peter Butt, College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan
- ⇒ *The American health care system and its outgrowth from the country's history* presented by Harvey Fineberg, President of IOM and winner of the 2013 Friesen Prize

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