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CELEBRATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CAHS

EVENT PROGRAM

Forum & Annual General Meeting

Thursday & Friday, 17 & 18 September, 2015

Fairmont Château Laurier, Drawing Room

1 Rideau Street, Ottawa

AGENDA

07:00 – 08:00 **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**
Location: DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR

08:00 – 12:00 **MAJOR FORUM**
Location: DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR

12 :00 - 13:15 **LUNCHEON**
Location: LAURIER ROOM, GROUND FLOOR

13:15-17:10 **MAJOR FORUM**
Location: DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR

18:00 – 19:00 **RECEPTION**
Location: **LAURIER ROOM, GROUND FLOOR**
Business dress

19:00 – 22:00 **EVENING PROGRAM**
Location: LAURIER ROOM, GROUND FLOOR
Business dress

- **THE PAUL ARMSTRONG LECTURE**
- **INDUCTION CEREMONY AND DINNER**

THE RISING TIDE OF DEMENTIA IN CANADA: FACING THE CRITICAL CHALLENGE BY 2025

Objectives:

- To present the current science and landscape on the impact of dementia
- To explore prevention, care models and innovation strategies
- To develop the foundation for a CAHS major assessment to address the projected impact of dementia and potential solutions by 2025

Our Canadian society, along with other developed and populous developing countries, is facing an unprecedented demographic shift to populations over age 65. This shift is projected to bring with it a rising tide of dementia in the coming decades. This will reshape our landscape, socially, economically, medically and politically. It will tax our delivery of care, our environment, and the sustainability of our current health care system. In turn, we can anticipate enormous social, economic, medical and political challenges. This raises a call to our scientific community to mobilize on numerous fronts to identify critical gaps and potential opportunities to innovate, given the lead time available.

While much hope is pinned on finding an effective treatment for Alzheimer's disease by 2020-2025 as a major anchor piece of the public agenda, there are many other approaches that will need to be supported and developed to address the challenge: prevention, adaptation of systems of care, and innovative practices and technologies.

The prevention of dementia, through modification of risk factors, holds the potential to remarkably reduce disease prevalence. Estimates are that if dementia could be delayed by five years over the next three decades, through effective intervention, the prevalence would be reduced by 50%.¹ An increased emphasis on the public health aspect of this disorder, with focus on successful brain health promotion and modification of risk factors in mid-life, is needed as are strategies to promote quality of life for those affected and education and awareness for them and their families. Our systems of care will need to adapt, both at the community and institutional level, addressing the workforce, delivery systems, long standing quality of care issues and integration of efforts that will be needed. Rapidly evolving innovative technologies, including robotics, driverless cars, sensors and built environments, all hold the potential to help address unmet needs though require significant development, testing, and investment to support their advancement to point of care.

We look forward to this symposium which will bring together a wide range of the different strategies that need to be put in place over the next decade to address the challenge. A major focus will be to engage the audience in helping set the groundwork for an assessment by the CAHS.

Thank you for participating in the 2015 CAHS Forum.

Sincerely,

CAROLE ESTABROOKS AND HOWARD FELDMAN
FORUM CO-CHAIRS

The Academy is most grateful for the contributions of members of the Standing Committee on Annual Meeting Planning (SCAMP) - Drs. John Cairns, Gloria Gutman, Carol Herbert (Chair), Tom Marrie and Chris Naus - for their wise counsel in the planning of this event.

¹ Brookmeyer R, Gray S, Kawas C. *Am J Public Health*, 1998, v88, 9: 1337-42



AGENDA

08:00-08:10	Welcome	JOHN CAIRNS , President
08:10-08:20	Opening Address	CAROLE ESTABROOKS* AND HOWARD FELDMAN* , Forum Co-Chairs
08:20-08:30	Opening Address	YVES JOANETTE* , SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR, CIHR INSTITUTE OF AGING
08:30-09:00	Keynote Address	<p>A CURRENT GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE ON THE EPIDEMIOLOGY AND NATURE OF THE DEMENTIAS, THEIR GLOBAL IMPACT, PRESSING CHALLENGES AND WHAT IT WOULD MEAN IF DEMENTIA WERE A MAJOR PUBLIC HEALTH PRIORITY</p> <p>BRIEF Q & A FOR CLARIFICATION</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> SUBE BANERJEE</p> <p>Sube Banerjee MBE, MB BS MSc MBA MD FRCPsych is Professor of Dementia and Associate Dean at Brighton and Sussex Medical School, directing its Centre for Dementia Studies. Clinically he works as an old age psychiatrist. He served as the UK Department of Health's senior professional advisor on dementia leading the development of its National Dementia Strategy. He is active in health system development and works with industry and governments on health systems, policy and strategies to improve health for older adults with complex needs and those with dementia. An active researcher, he focusses on quality of life in dementia, evaluation of new treatments and services, and the interface between policy, research and practice. He has been awarded national and international awards for work in policy and research in dementia.</p>
09:00-09:10	Academy discussion	<i>WHAT ARE THE CRITICAL QUESTIONS CANADA IS FACING TO PREPARE FOR THE ANTICIPATED RISE IN DEMENTIA BY 2025?</i>
09:10-09:40	Keynote Address	<p>THE REAL POTENTIAL TO PREVENT ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE</p> <p>BRIEF Q & A FOR CLARIFICATION</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> MIIA KIVIPELTO</p> <p>Miia Kivipelto is professor of Clinical Geriatric Epidemiology at Karolinska Institutet and a senior geriatrician at the Karolinska University Hospital. Her research focuses on prevention, early diagnosis and treatment of cognitive impairment, dementia and Alzheimer's disease (AD). Through epidemiological studies she has identified midlife vascular and lifestyle risk factors for later dementia/AD and aims to build on these observations to improve knowledge transfer and public awareness and to design intervention trials to mitigate these factors including lifestyle manipulations, such as exercise interventions.</p>
09:40-10:00	Plenary with panel discussion	<p>PANEL 1: STATE OF BIOLOGICAL AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</p> <p><i>Panel Chair:</i> HOWARD FELDMAN*</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. CANADA'S POSITION IN THE GLOBAL SCIENTIFIC EFFORT TO PREVENT, SLOW AND TREAT DEMENTIA HOWARD CHERTKOW* ii. WHAT ARE THE CRITICAL SCIENTIFIC CHALLENGES IN THE EFFORT TO PREVENT, SLOW AND TREAT DEMENTIA HOWARD FELDMAN*
10:00-10:30	Rapid Fire Panel	<p>WHAT OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES STAND OUT IN THE CANADIAN ENVIRONMENT?</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> SUBE BANERJEE, MIIA KIVIPELTO, HOWARD CHERTKOW*, & HOWARD FELDMAN*</p>
	Academy discussion	
10:30-10:45		BREAK

10:45-11:45	Plenary with panel discussion	PANEL 2A: Milder Stages of Dementia: The Community and Systems of Care PANEL CHAIR: CAROLE ESTABROOKS* KEY GAPS AND PROMISING DIRECTIONS IN OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT PERSONS WITH Milder Stages of Dementia, Their Families and Caregivers <i>Speakers:</i> HOME & COMMUNITY SERVICES i. HOME/COMMUNITY CARE, INTERSECTION OF FORMAL & INFORMAL CARE ANNE MARTIN-MATTHEWS* ii. RURAL AND REMOTE DEMENTIA CARE ANDREW KIRK iii. INTEGRATED SYSTEMS OF CARE HOWARD BERGMAN*
	Rapid Fire Panel	
	Academy Discussion	<i>WHAT DO WE NEED TO ADDRESS IN COMMUNITY SYSTEMS OF CARE AND SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES/CAREGIVERS WITH EARLIER DEMENTIA OVER THE NEXT DECADE?</i> END OF MORNING SESSION
12:00-13:15	LUNCH	LAURIER ROOM, GROUND FLOOR
13:30-14:45	Plenary with panel discussion	PANEL 2B: Later Stages of Dementia: Changing Needs and Resources PANEL CHAIR: CAROLE ESTABROOKS*
	Rapid fire panel	KEY GAPS AND PROMISING DIRECTIONS IN OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT PERSONS WITH MORE ADVANCED DEMENTIA, THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR UNPAID CAREGIVERS IN LATE LIFE ADVANCED DEMENTIA CARE SERVICE CHALLENGES FOCUSING ON INSTITUTIONS SETTINGS <i>Speakers:</i> i. END OF LIFE CARE ACUTE AND CONTINUING CARE SETTINGS KELLI STAJDUHAR ii. QUALITY OF CARE AND LIFE — RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS CAROLE ESTABROOKS*
	Academy Discussion	<i>WHAT DO WE NEED TO ADDRESS IN INSTITUTIONAL SETTINGS OF CARE AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH LATER AND ADVANCED DEMENTIA OVER THE NEXT DECADE?</i>
	Rapid fire panel	CAPACITY AMONG PAID AND UNPAID DEMENTIA CAREGIVERS, PROJECTIONS, BURDEN, COSTS iii. THE FORMAL WORKFORCE - CHALLENGES TAMARA DALY iv. THE INFORMAL WORKFORCE: THE COSTS OF 'UNPAID' CARE GIVING JANET FAST
	Academy Discussion	<i>WHAT DO WE NEED TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC TO THE FORMAL/PAID AND INFORMAL/UNPAID WORKFORCE OVER THE NEXT DECADE?</i>
14:45-15:00		BREAK

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MAJOR FORUM PROGRAM continued

15:00-16:00	Plenary with panel discussion	PANEL 3: MEETING THE CHALLENGE – THE POTENTIAL OF SOLUTIONS PANEL CHAIR: HOWARD FELDMAN*
	Rapid fire panel	<i>i.</i> DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES (ACTUAL PROGRAMS) VERENA MENEC <i>ii.</i> TECHNOLOGY & AGING ALEX MIHAILIDIS <i>iii.</i> INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION – RE-IMAGINING LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE: PERSPECTIVES ON PROMISING PRACTICES PAT ARMSTRONG <i>iv.</i> THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (COMMUNITY & RESIDENTIAL) JANICE KEEFE
	Academy Discussion	<i>WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN MOBILIZING THESE TYPES OF INNOVATIVE CARE PRACTICE AND TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS IN THE NEXT DECADE?</i>
16:00-17:00	Group process	NEXT STEPS FOR THE ACADEMY <i>GIVEN THE ACADEMY'S OPPORTUNITY FOR INFLUENCE ON PUBLIC POLICY, HOW SHOULD AN ASSESSMENT BE SHAPED?</i>
17:00-17:10	Closing Address	JOHN CAIRNS* President, Canadian Academy of Health Sciences

** Fellow, Canadian Academy of Health Sciences*



Thursday, September 17, 2015

18:00: RECEPTION; THE PAUL ARMSTRONG LECTURE; & NEW FELLOW INDUCTION CEREMONY

18:00

RECEPTION

19:00

EVENING PROGRAM

THE PAUL ARMSTRONG LECTURE

Recognizing leadership & commitment to advance academic health sciences through academic service and innovation at local, national and international levels and achievements that are truly extraordinary.

INTRODUCTION BY JOHN CAIRNS, PRESIDENT



HOW CANADA'S HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS CAN REGAIN LOST GROUND

DAVID NAYLOR, OC FRCPC FRSC FCAHS

President Emeritus & Professor of Medicine

University of Toronto

Educated at the Universities of Toronto (MD), Oxford (DPhil) and Western Ontario (FRCPC), David Naylor is Professor of Medicine at the University of Toronto. He served as the University's President from 2005 to 2013, and Dean of Medicine from 1999 to 2005. Naylor founded and led the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) from 1991 to 1998. Naylor has co-authored over 300 scholarly publications, and received national and international awards for leadership and scholarship in academe, research, and public policy. He has also been active as an advisor to governments, institutions, and enterprises in Canada and abroad over the course of more than 25 years. Naylor is an Officer of the Order of Canada, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, and a Foreign Associate Member of the US Institute of Medicine.

NEW FELLOW INDUCTION CEREMONY

Detail in evening program

22:00

End of session



Friday, September 18, 2015

07:00-07:55 NEW FELLOW ORIENTATION; 08:00-10:00 SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION

Agenda

07:00 - 08:00

BREAKFAST

Location: **DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR**

07:00-07:55

NEW FELLOW ORIENTATION

With John Cairns and Carol Herbert

Location: **RENAISSANCE ROOM, MEZZANINE**

A buffet breakfast will be served in the room



SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION

LEARNED SOCIETIES – A REAL VALUE OR A PASTIME FOR AGING ACADEMICS?

Location: **DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR**

08:00-08:10 WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS JOHN CAIRNS, CAHS PRESIDENT

08:10-08:40



PERSPECTIVES FROM THE FOUNDING PRESIDENT OF CAHS PAUL ARMSTRONG MD, FRCPC, FCAHS, FRSC

Paul Armstrong is a Distinguished University Professor, University of Alberta and Founding Director of the Canadian VIGOUR Centre (Virtual Coordinating Centre for Global Collaborative Cardiovascular Research). He serves in a broad range of consultative, editorial and research leadership roles and has received numerous awards for scholarly and societal contributions. He has published extensively, frequently lectures in national and international academic forums and plays an active leadership role in the conduct of a number of ongoing cardiovascular clinical trials and data safety monitoring boards. Dr. Armstrong's lifelong commitment to the education and training of healthcare professionals as well as his mentoring of trainees and faculty is widely acclaimed and constitutes a key signature of his career. He is internationally recognized for his expertise in acute coronary disease and heart failure and has a particular interest in novel approaches to clinical trial design and their interpretation. Dr. Armstrong was the founding President of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences (CAHS) and a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

08:40-09:10



A VIEW FROM THE PRESIDENT OF CANADA'S EARLIEST ACADEMY GRAHAM BELL PHD, FRSC

Graham Bell is the James McGill Professor and Chair in the Biology Department at McGill University. He has made major advances in understanding several fundamental issues in evolutionary biology and ecology. He has published over 100 papers in leading journals and several books, including *The Masterpiece of Nature* (1982), *Sex and Death in Protozoa* (1988) and *Selection* (2nd ed, 2008). He received the Prix Léo Parizeau de l'Association francophone pour le savoir, Québec (2002), Prix du Québec (2004), NSERC Award of Excellence (2008), and the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal (2013). He was elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (1994) and Foreign Honorary Member, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2014). He served as President of the Canadian Society for Ecology and Evolution (2006-2008) and the President of the Academy of Science, Royal Society of Canada (2009-2010). He is currently President of the Royal Society of Canada.



Friday, September 18, 2015

09:10 10th ANNIVERSARY INTERNATIONAL LECTURE



SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY PRESENTATION

10TH ANNIVERSARY INTERNATIONAL LECTURE

Location / Lieu: DRAWING ROOM, GROUND FLOOR

09:10-09:40



VICTOR DZAU MD

President, Institute of Medicine

Victor J. Dzau is President of the Institute of Medicine, Chancellor Emeritus at Duke University and former CEO of the Duke University Health System. Professor Dzau has made a significant impact through his seminal research in cardiovascular medicine and his leadership in health care innovation. He has led efforts in innovation to improve health, including developing the Duke Translational Medicine

Institute, Duke Global Health Institute, Duke-National University of Singapore Graduate Medical School, and Duke Institute for Health Innovation. He has served on the Advisory Committee to the Director of National Institutes of Health (NIH) and chaired the NIH Cardiovascular Disease Advisory Committee. Currently he is a member of the Board of the Singapore Health System and Hamad Medical Corporation, Qatar. He chaired the Global Agenda Council on Personalized and Precision Medicine of the World Economic Forum. Among his many honors are the Gustav Nylin Medal from the Swedish Royal College of Medicine, Distinguished Scientist Award from American Heart Association and the Public Service Medal from the President of Singapore.

09:40-10:00

ACADEMY DISCUSSION

10:00-10:30

BREAK



Friday, September 18, 2015

10:10-12:35 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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The Annual General Meeting is a closed meeting for CAHS Fellows only.
The agenda and associated materials will be circulated at the meeting.

NEXT FORUM & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

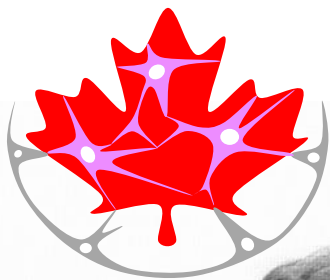
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<div data-bbox="263 842 425 1003"> </div> <div data-bbox="134 999 552 1094"> <p>IRSC CIHR Instituts de recherche en santé du Canada Canadian Institutes of Health Research</p> </div> <div data-bbox="134 1178 600 1226"> <p>PLATINUM SPONSOR</p> </div>	<p>The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is the Government of Canada's health research investment agency. It is an independent agency accountable to Parliament through the Minister of Health. Its mission is to create new scientific knowledge and enable its translation into improved health, more effective health services and products, and a strengthened Canadian health care system. Composed of 13 Institutes, CIHR provides leadership and support to health researchers and trainees across Canada.</p> <p>CIHR is part of the Health Portfolio which supports the Minister of Health in maintaining and improving the health of Canadians. For more information on the Health Portfolio, visit Health Canada.</p> <p>http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca</p>



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