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BC Cancer Agency Annual Cancer Conference, 2008

The annual conference will be held November 20 to 22, 2008, at the Westin Bayshore Resort & Marina in Vancouver. This critical three-day event is the BC Cancer Agency's premier professional development, learning and networking event. It is the only Canadian west coast event of its kind, attracting 1000-plus professionals working in the oncology field.

This year's theme is "Survivorship: Creating it, Managing it" and will provide an opportunity for cancer care professionals and researchers to share knowledge, innovation, and steps forward in clinical care and translational science in this emerging research area.

In addition to the regularly scheduled conference, we are also pleased to announce a two-day workshop on Cancer Survivorship Research entitled 'Identifying Priorities for Cancer Survivorship Research: Pan-Canadian Invitational Workshop'. Organized by an international survivorship research committee and led by the Sociobehavioural Research Centre, BC Cancer Agency, the objectives of this workshop are to identify survivorship research priorities and integrate various ongoing initiatives and efforts at both the national and international levels.

The workshop will take place on Friday November 21st and Saturday November 22nd, with opening remarks from BC Cancer president Simon Sutcliffe. CIHR Cross Cultural Palliative NET Primary Investigator Richard Doll will set the strategic tone for the two day event with special guests Ian Graham, VP Knowledge Translation at CIHR and Dr. Afaf Girgis, Director of the Centre for Health Research & Psycho-oncology at University of Newcastle in Australia as well as participation from several other distinguished researchers participating in the event.

For more information on the workshop, please contact CIHR Team for Supportive Cancer Care Research Coordinator, Svetlana Ristovski-Slijepcevic at: sslijepcevic@bccancer.bc.ca or use the website below:

<http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/HPI/ACC2008/sessions/Cancer+Survivorship+Research.htm>

Kudos: Recognizing our Accomplishments!

Congratulations to Dr. Kirsten Bell who recently received word two more of her submitted manuscripts have been accepted for publication. To date, Dr. Bell has made significant progress in meeting her CHIR Cross Cultural Palliative NET deliverables and is well on her way to achieving recognition in the area of cancer and survivorship research. The full citations of her accepted paper are below. Way to go Kirsten!

Bell, Kirsten (in press) 'If it almost kills you that means it's working': Cultural models of chemotherapy expressed in a cancer support group. *Social Science & Medicine*, Accepted September 2008.

Bell, Kirsten; Lee, Joyce & Ristovski-Slijepcevic, Svetlana (accepted) Perceptions of food and eating amongst Chinese cancer patients: Findings of an ethnographic study. *Cancer Nursing*, Accepted August 2008.

Did You Know?

Cancer takes the lives of more people in Canada than strokes, respiratory diseases, pneumonia, diabetes, liver diseases and HIV/AIDS combined.

Canadian Strategy for Cancer Control, 2005.

Upcoming Events: News you can use!

BC Cancer Agency 2008 Annual Cancer Care Conference: November 20-22 2008 Westin Bayshore Resort and Marina, Vancouver, BC.

<http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/HPI/ACC2008/default.htm>

Canadian Association of Psychosocial Oncology Annual Conference 2009. Vancouver - April 1 - 4. Survivorship: Transitions and Transformations.

<http://www.capo.ca/eng/index.asp>

* Deadline for abstract submission November 3rd, 2008.

American Psychosocial Oncology Society (APOS) 6th Annual Conference: February 5-8 2009 Charlotte, NC, USA.

<http://www.apos-society.org>

Community Cancer Control 7th National Summit, "Innovative Solutions for Rural and Remote Cancer Control Issues: Today and Tomorrow."

June 11-13th, 2009. Prince George BC.

<http://www.cancersummit.ca/>

Next Meeting: Let's get together.

Meeting Confirmed!

Our next meeting will be Tuesday October 21st @ 9:00 am - 11:00 am PST. See you there...

We want to hear from you

Absence does not make the heart grow fonder – the CIHR Cross Cultural Palliative NET wants to hear from you as much as possible. We encourage you to let us know when you have or, better still, are close to publishing the results of research funded by the CIHR Cross Cultural Palliative NET. Please drop us a line at pweaver@bccancer.bc.ca

On the web.

Visit our website to find some of the CIHR Cross-Cultural Palliative Care NET deliverables to-date:

<http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/RES/ResearchPrograms/NET/Trainees.htm#3>

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