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We are thrilled to be Co-Chairing Rendez-Vous 2012, a joint world conference being held October 9 – 14, 2012 in Thunder Bay, Northern Ontario, Canada. This conference highlights the collaboration of five conference organization partners, and their ability to bring together the planning of a conference with many perspectives from around the world. Our vision for this conference is to build a global community, international relationships, and the capacity to make a difference in health professional education.

Rendez-Vous 2012 – Together and Engaged, has been selected as the branding for this conference in tribute to our heritage and culture in Northern Ontario. A Francophone term, “Rendez-Vous” means “a place appointed for assembling or meeting.” It feels both appealing and appropriate to describe this event as a Rendez-Vous, as participants from around the world convene to consider community participation in education, service, research, and health.

Filled with ample opportunities for a variety of learning, discussion, and networking, the preliminary program includes formats ranging from interactive workshops and oral presentations to thematic poster sessions and PeArLS. Each day will bring new perspectives, building on the overall theme of the conference: Community participation in education, research and service.

We share with you the enthusiasm of the Organizing Committee, our Northern Ontario regional communities, and all the health professional schools and organizations that we represent as we welcome you to Rendez-Vous 2012!

Warmest and kindest regards,

Sue Berry
Assistant Dean, Integrated Clinical Learning, NOSM

Kaat De Backer
Executive Director, The Network: TUFH
It gives me enormous pleasure to welcome you to Rendez-Vous 2012. “Rendez-Vous”, a French term meaning “a place appointed for assembling or meeting,” has very special meaning to the historical features of Thunder Bay and is now a world conference that is bringing together almost 850 people from 45 different countries and over 150 medical and health professional schools. It is very fitting that our conference theme of Community participation in education, research and service has moved from a vision to a reality. It truly will be a conference like no other.

The number of abstracts received and that will be presented is exceptional. We have over 400 learning opportunities through inspired learning workshops, learning spaces of oral presentations, a learning colloquium of thematic posters, and Personally Arranged Learning Sessions (PeArLS) as conversational inquiries covering all six abstract themes of: community engagement in health professional education; transforming health professional education globally; developing a culture for interprofessional learning and practice; innovations in Longitudinal Integrated Curricula; social accountability in health professional education; and advocacy: women and health.

We are indebted to the communities of Hearst, Manitoulin Island, Marathon, Sioux Lookout, Sudbury, and Wawa for hosting and welcoming our international guests in the Conference on the Move component of the conference. Through the Conference on the Move, registrants will experience first-hand the Canadian rural and remote cultural fabric and health-care system.

To our conference partners, their members, and to all conference registrants – The Network: Towards Unity for Health (The Network: TUFH), the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice, Training for Health Equity Network (THEnet), Consortium for Longitudinal Integrated Curricula (CLIC), and Flinders University (Community-Engaged Medical Education) – welcome to Northern Ontario, Canada. I extend a personal warm welcome to each and every one of you, and encourage you to forge new educational and research partnerships and relationships with a particular focus on socially accountable health professional education and delivery of health care.

Congratulations and thank you to all the people and the teams who made Rendez-Vous 2012 into this wonderful conference!

Professor Roger Strasser
Dean
Northern Ontario School of Medicine
Un message de l’École de médecine du Nord de l’Ontario

C’est avec un immense plaisir que je vous accueille à Rendez-Vous 2012. « Rendez-Vous », qui est un lieu de rencontre, a une signification très spéciale pour les éléments historiques de Thunder Bay et est maintenant une conférence internationale qui regroupe presque 850 personnes provenant de 45 pays et de plus de 150 écoles de médecine et professionnelles paramédicales. Il est tout à fait à propos que le thème de notre conférence Participation de la communauté à l’éducation, à la recherche et au service soit passé du stade de la vision à celui de la réalité. C’est vraiment une conférence sans pareil.

Le nombre de résumés reçus et qui seront présentés est exceptionnel. Nous avons plus de 400 possibilités d’apprentissage dans des ateliers d’apprentissage, des salles de présentation orale, des affiches thématiques éducatives, et PeArLS, où les dialogues couvriront les six thèmes des résumés : l’engagement communautaire dans la formation des professionnels de la santé, la transformation de la formation des professionnels de la santé à l’échelle mondiale, l’établissement d’une culture d’apprentissage et d’exercice interprofessionnels, les innovations dans le programme d’études longitudinale intégré, l’imputabilité sociale dans la formation des professionnels de la santé, la promotion des intérêts : les femmes et la santé.

Nous sommes reconnaissants aux collectivités de Hearst, l’Île Manitoulin, Marathon, Sioux Lookout, Sudbury et Wawa d’accueillir nos invités de partout au monde au volet Conférence en mouvement de cet événement. Au cours de ce volet, les participants feront l’expérience sur le terrain du tissu culturel et du système de santé rural et des régions éloignées.

Bienvenue dans le Nord de l’Ontario, Canada, à nos partenaires à la conférence, à leurs membres et à tous les participants : The Network: Towards Unity for Health (The Network: TUFH), the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice, Training for Health Equity Network (THEnet), Consortium for Longitudinal Integrated Curricula (CLIC), et la Flinders University (formation en médecine faisant appel aux communautés). Je vous souhaite sincèrement la bienvenue et vous encourage à forger de nouveaux partenariats et des relations en matière d’éducation et de recherche axés particulièrement sur la formation de professionnels de la santé et de prestation de soins socialement responsables.

Félicitations et merci à toutes les personnes et équipes qui ont fait de Rendez-Vous 2012 une magnifique conférence!

Dr Roger Strasser
Doyen
École de médecine du Nord de l’Ontario
Welcome to Rendez-Vous 2012 in Thunder Bay, from The Network: TUFH!

A Francophone term, “Rendez-Vous” means “assembling or meeting”. The Network: Towards Unity for Health (The Network: TUFH) is thrilled to be co-host and have its annual conference as part of this unique event. People worldwide who are committed to equity in health through health professionals’ education have come together to discuss how to make health professionals’ education socially accountable and responsive to the needs of society, with special emphasis on the most deprived.

The Network: TUFH is the oldest of the organizations that are meeting in Thunder Bay. We were formed when education institutions of health professionals discovered that the science-based curriculum was not a sufficient basis for training professionals. In those days, in the 1970s, the message was that health-care providers were in need of problem-solving skills and had to integrate social values in their daily work. A pioneer in this field, The Network: TUFH developed and shared expertise in problem-based learning with new didactic formats (e.g., tutorials, small group learning). Increasingly, the community was seen as an appropriate training environment. Today, The Network: TUFH wants to contribute to transformative learning, where students and professionals act as change agents in order to improve health systems, using an interprofessional approach and engaging in intersectoral action for health.

During this conference, the members of The Network: TUFH will fully explore the opportunity to confront their daily activities with experiences from other organizations, in different countries and contexts, reflected in the stories, research and analysis of so many people that make a difference, where it really matters.

This meeting illustrates the strategy that is reflected in our name: NETWORKing, searching for links and commonalities, in order to become stronger. Having so many organizations in Thunder Bay multiplies the impact of our vision and mission and contributes to ‘Unity for Health’!

Professor Jan De Maeseneer
Secretary General
The Network: Towards Unity for Health
Message from the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice

On behalf of the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice, it is a privilege to welcome you here to Thunder Bay for Rendez-Vous 2012. This is the 11th Wonca World Rural Health Conference.

It is exciting to be holding this conference in conjunction with The Network: Towards Unity for Health, with whom we have been in collaboration for many years, as well as other partner organizations. It is particularly pleasing to be hosted by the Northern Ontario School of Medicine; as a working party we have watched closely the conception, birth and development of this school, in which two previous chairs of the working party have been so intimately involved, Drs. Jim Rourke and Roger Strasser.

An exciting feature of Rendez-Vous 2012 is Conference on the Move which provides conference delegates with the opportunity to participate in conference activities in a range of Northern Ontario communities beyond Thunder Bay. In addition, the program offers a vast array of learning opportunities from workshops and oral presentations to Personally Arranged Learning Sessions (PeArLS).

At Rendez-Vous 2012, we will pause to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Wonca and the 20th anniversary of the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice. We will also acknowledge and pay tribute to the late Dr. John Macleod with the inaugural John Macleod Oration. Do not miss this special occasion!

I believe that a key element in our vision of health for all rural people is community engagement – we need to work alongside communities in improving their health. Thus the theme of this conference - Community participation in education, research and service – is very appropriate. We look forward to sharing many ideas, listening to you and participating in discussions on how we can achieve greater community participation in the areas of education, research and service, particularly in the context of rural health care and the needs of rural patients.

Each world rural health conference has been unique. We expect this joint conference to be no less unique.

Professor Ian Couper
Chair
Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice
Message from Flinders University

Flinders University is proud to be a partner of this impressive conference – Rendez-Vous 2012. This will be our third International Conference on Community-Engaged Medical Education (ICEMEN) (the second was The Muster hosted by Flinders University in 2010), and the magnitude of this conference compared to our first is overwhelming. The relationships fostered since our inaugural gathering in 2008 are evident in the wealth of Rendez-Vous 2012 joint abstracts from various schools around the world. It is in this spirit that we aim to provide international medical schools the opportunity to ‘compare notes’ on the community-engaged model of medical education.

Experience from around the world has gathered experts on community engagement and social accountability. And with Rendez-Vous 2012, this increased collaborative research and sharing of experiences is proving to be a significant contributor in sustaining health professionals in areas of need.

Rendez-Vous 2012’s program of educational activities will inspire us to look further into the future.

Welcome conference registrants – students, faculty, educators and researchers – and take time to have those important conversations and learn about rural medical education, service and research.

Professor Paul Worley
Dean
Flinders University School of Medicine
Congratulations to the Northern Ontario School of Medicine for hosting this inaugural event that brings together five organizations and their members—in addition to many new prospective members—into one setting! This conference is an outstanding success arising from many dedicated faculty from universities around the world who share a genuine passion for community engagement and social accountability working together. In bringing together learners, educators, and researchers, Rendez-Vous 2012 exemplifies Training for Health Equity Network’s (THEnet) mission, “Social Accountability in Action.”

THEnet is equally impressed with the overwhelming number of over 100 international health professional students attending this conference and a representation of over 150 medical and health professional schools. This speaks to the profound interest and focus of “Social Accountability in Action” amongst our future health-care providers worldwide.

Conference registrants, welcome to Rendez-Vous 2012. This will be a memorable conference for all attending!

Professor André-Jacques Neusy
Executive Director
Training for Health Equity Network (THEnet)
Welcome colleagues from around the world to Rendez-Vous 2012! On behalf of the Consortium of Longitudinal Integrated Curricula (CLIC), a warm greeting is extended to all. CLIC is a group of faculty from medical schools around the world who have or are considering curricula reform to develop, implement, and study the longitudinal integrated clerkship model to address core clinical training for undergraduate medical education. This conference provides an opportunistic platform for interprofessional discussion, the sharing of experiences, and the occasion to celebrate research. The conference’s name, Rendez-Vous, is fitting, as it truly becomes our meeting place to explore collaborative research between institutions around the world, build on each other’s successes, and expand research possibilities.

Thank you to our hosts, the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and the community of Thunder Bay, for welcoming us and ensuring that we maximize our learning during this week-long conference.

Congratulations to the organizers. I encourage all registrants to take full advantage of the networking and collegiality at our educational meeting place, Rendez-Vous 2012, and enjoy the relationship building I suspect will continue to cultivate into the future!

Dr. Lori Hansen
Yankton Campus Dean
University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine
Consortium for Longitudinal Curricula (CLIC)
As the Chair of the Board of Directors for the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and the President of Laurentian University, I am pleased to welcome you to Rendez-Vous 2012—a conference like no other. As the welcoming host of the conference, NOSM has been preparing and anticipating the world’s arrival for months. We are a medical school that is making, and will continue to make, a profound difference to the people and communities of Northern Ontario. While attending Rendez-Vous 2012, we hope that you take in and enjoy as much as you can of what the conference and Northern Ontario has to offer.

Mr. Dominic Giroux
Chair, NOSM Board of Directors
President of Laurentian University
Sudbury, Ontario

On behalf of Lakehead University and as Vice-Chair of the NOSM Board of Directors, I welcome you to Rendez-Vous 2012 and the City of Thunder Bay. With more than 800 delegates from around the world registered to participate, Rendez-Vous 2012 is truly going to be an assembly of innovation in health professional education. The Northern Ontario School of Medicine is extremely honoured to have you as our guests. We are very proud of the success of NOSM’s distributed, community-engaged model of learning and research, and hope that you gain valuable experiences while visiting Northern Ontario and taking the opportunities to share with, and learn from, each other.

Dr. Brian Stevenson
Vice Chair, NOSM Board of Directors
President of Lakehead University
Thunder Bay, Ontario
Message from the Mayor

The City of Thunder Bay, Ontario

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Thunder Bay, I would like to extend a warm welcome to the health professionals, educators, researchers, and students from all parts of the world who are here for Rendez-Vous 2012.

The Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) has been a catalyst for this major world health gathering that brings together nearly 850 delegates from around the world in one place for several annual conferences and meetings over six-days.

Rendez-Vous 2012 and its dedicated organizing committee have put together an ambitious schedule to facilitate the Wonca World Rural Health Conference, The Network: Towards Unity for Health Conference, and the NOSM-Flinders Community Engaged Medical Education Conference. This is a great opportunity to cultivate partnerships and seek out solutions with a global perspective on health care.

This conference demonstrates the Northern Ontario School of Medicine’s commitment to health care and education, and further promotes Thunder Bay as a leader in providing health and medical services with state-of-the-art facilities. The conference will further enhance our community’s reputation in the health and medical sectors.

I welcome all out-of-town guests who have traveled great distances for this event. I urge you to take time to enjoy the many services and attractions we have to offer, and learn more about this beautiful City we call home.

Once again, on behalf of the City of Thunder Bay, best wishes for a successful conference.

Mr. Keith Hobbs, Mayor
City of Thunder Bay
www.thunderbay.ca
The Northern Ontario School of Medicine is the host of Rendez-Vous 2012. This major joint world conference in Thunder Bay, Ontario, brings together the Wonca World Rural Health Conference and The Network: Towards Unity for Health annual conference, as well as the NOSM/Flinders Conference on Community-Engaged Medical Education, the Consortium for Longitudinal Integrated Curricula, and the Training for Health Equity Network.

## About the Conference Hosts

**The Northern Ontario School of Medicine** (NOSM) is the first medical school to open in Canada in over 30 years. Since its official opening in 2005, the School has developed and delivered a distinctive model of distributed, community-engaged, and socially accountable medical education and research. NOSM has campuses at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay and Laurentian University in Sudbury, with over 70 teaching and research sites across Northern Ontario. NOSM is a made-in-the-North solution that is attracting attention from around the world for its innovative model. In a very short time, NOSM has become a world leader in community-engaged medical education and research, while staying true to its social accountability mandate of contributing to improving the health of the people and communities of Northern Ontario.

>> [http://www.nosm.ca/](http://www.nosm.ca/)

**The Network: Towards Unity for Health** (The Network: TUFH) is a global network of individuals, institutions and organizations committed to improving the health of the people and their communities. With its longstanding history of over thirty years, The Network: TUFH has played an important role in fostering community-oriented innovations, leading to curriculum reforms in education institutions around the globe. In recent years it became apparent that to improve community health, innovations in health professions education would have to be linked with complementary innovations in health services delivery and health policy development. To do so, The Network: TUFH promotes collaboration between different health and community stakeholders, such as health professionals, health managers, policy makers, the communities themselves, but also with other sectors of society such as business, education, government and grassroots organizations. The Network: TUFH is a Non-Governmental Organization, in official relationship with the World Health Organization.

Wonca is the World Organization of Family Doctors. It is comprised of national colleges, academies or organizations concerned with the academic aspects of general family practice; its name was originally an acronym derived from this. Beginning with 18 members in 1972, there are now 120 member organizations in 99 countries. The mission of Wonca is to improve the quality of life of the peoples of the world through defining and promoting its values, including respect for universal human rights and including gender equity, and by fostering high standards of care in general practice/family medicine. The Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice was formed in 1992. Wonca believes there is an urgent need to implement strategies to improve rural health services around the world. This will require sufficient numbers of skilled rural family doctors to provide the necessary services. The mission of the working party is Reaching Towards Rural Health as rural doctors in partnership with like-minded groups, through relationships, education, activism, conferencing and communication, and a vision of Health for All Rural People (HARP).


The Flinders University School of Medicine has an international reputation for integration and innovation in patient care, education and research. As a member of the Global Health Education Network and a founding member of the The Training for Health Equity Network: THEnet, the School is also committed to being accountable to the community it serves, both locally and internationally. The Flinders University School of Medicine’s main campus is situated in Adelaide, South Australia and co-located within Flinders Medical Centre, an academic medical centre combining a tertiary teaching hospital and medical school. The School is affiliated with other hospitals in the Southern Region of Adelaide and has a significant and expanding rural and remote presence with clinical training and research activities in regional areas of Australia.

The **Training for Health Equity Network: THEnet** is composed of 12 schools which are located in underserved and rural regions of Africa, Asia, Europe, the Americas and Australia and share pioneering innovative approaches to increase access and quality of care in their regions. THEnet schools define social accountability as the institutional responsibility to orient teaching, research and service activities to address priority health needs with a particular focus on the underserved. The schools are committed to measuring their success by how well they meet the needs of people they serve, and aim to turn academic institutions into more vocal actors in health and development policy debates, making the case for better health for all. THEnet is a consortium of health professional education institutions that are committed to achieving health equity through medical education, research and service that is responsive to the priority needs of communities. Together as a community of practice, and partnering with others, THEnet seeks to transform medical education, build institutional capacity and shape policy so as to make health systems around the world more equitable.


The **Consortium for Longitudinal Integrated Curricula (CLIC)** is a group of faculty from medical schools around the world who have or are considering developing, implementing and studying the longitudinal integrated clerkship model to address core clinical training for undergraduate medical education. Longitudinal Integrated Clerkships (LICs) have the following common core elements:

1. Medical students participate in the comprehensive care of patients over time.
2. Medical students have continuing learning relationships with these patients’ clinicians.
3. Medical students meet, through these experiences, the majority of the year’s core clinical competencies across multiple disciplines simultaneously.
20th Anniversary of the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice

The Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice was formed at the World Family Doctors Conference in Vancouver in 1992. It proceeded to develop a number of resource documents, key of which was the Wonca Policy on Training for Rural Practice, adopted in 1995.

The Working Party organized the first international conference on rural medicine in Shanghai in 1996. This was followed by the second world rural health congress in Durban, South Africa in 1997 – with a very deliberate name change, reflecting a focus beyond doctors and medicine. During that conference, the Durban Declaration on Health for All Rural people was adopted. This remains the vision of the working party.

Since then, we have met on all continents except South America – but we eagerly anticipate Brazil hosting us in 2014! (You will be receiving more information about that during this conference.) This is the second time we are in Canada, as we met in Calgary in 2000, and the third time in North America, as we also met in Seattle in 2006.

Over the intervening period we have seen the growth of interest in, and attention to, rural health and rural practice around the world, with exciting developments in many countries. Of particular importance was the 2010 release of the WHO Global Policy Recommendations Increasing access to health workers in remote and rural areas through improved retention, to which members of the working party contributed.

The challenges of rural practice, and the disparities in health status and health care that effect rural areas, remain. We need continually to be advancing the agenda of rural health, informing ourselves about the issues, learning how to provide better health care to rural communities, training the next generation appropriately, and advocating on behalf of our rural patients.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Wonca Working Party on Rural Practice, please speak to me or any other of our members during the conference. We encourage passionate and enthusiastic rural practitioners to join us as we strive to promote health for all rural people.

Aluta continua.

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Special thanks to our conference organizing partner **JPdL International**.

Many organizations and individuals from across the globe have come together to make this a truly international conference. Rendez-Vous 2012 is a spectacular opportunity to share perspectives relating to *Community participation in education, research and service*. Special thanks to each and every person who participated on the NOSM Teams. Your time and commitment is recognized and appreciated.
Welcome to Thunder Bay!

With a population of just over 108,000, Thunder Bay is the largest city in Northwestern Ontario, and the second most populous in Northern Ontario after Greater Sudbury. The name Thunder Bay is derived from the French name for the head of Lake Superior, known on 18th-century French maps as “Baie du Tonnerre,” or Bay of Thunder.

When visiting Thunder Bay, there are an abundance of exciting historical, cultural, and entertainment attractions to choose from. Various attractions include, but are not limited to:

- Fort William Historical Park
- Fort William First Nation and Mount Mackay
- Terry Fox Memorial
- Ouimet Canyon Provincial Park and Eagle Canyon
- Kakabeka Falls
- Thunder Bay Art Gallery
- OLG Casino
- Thunder Bay Museum
- Kangas Sauna
- Magnus Theatre
- Amethyst Mine Panorama
- Sleeping Giant Provincial Park
- Thunder Oak Cheese Farm
- Many Parks

Please Note:
For more information about local attractions and Thunder Bay, visit:
>> http://www.thunderbay.ca/
Maximize Your Rendez-Vous 2012 Conference Experience

We want you to get the most out of attending Rendez-Vous 2012! Here are some tips to help make your experience the best it can be.

Hours/Info

The Rendez-Vous 2012 Registration Desk is located at the Valhalla Inn in the Ballroom Foyer.

- Tuesday, October 9, 2012 07:30 – 17:30
- Wednesday, October 10, 2012 07:30 – 19:30
- Thursday, October 11, 2012 07:30 – 17:30
- Friday, October 12, 2012 07:30 – 13:30
- Saturday, October 13, 2012 Closed

Take time to interact with the numerous Exhibitors at the Valhalla Inn located in the Ballroom Foyer.

- Tuesday, October 9, 2012 13:00 – 18:00
- Wednesday, October 10, 2012 08:00 – 18:00
- Thursday, October 11, 2012 08:00 – 18:00
- Friday, October 12, 2012 Closed

To register for, or exchange, Local Community Site Visits, please visit the Trading Post located at the Registration Desk.

- Tuesday, October 9, 2012 08:30 – 16:30
- Wednesday, October 10, 2012 08:30 – 16:30
- Thursday, October 11, 2012 Closed

Introduce yourself by name.

Introduce yourself by name to everyone—even to people you have met before, or who you think should know you. The biggest opportunity you have at a conference is to network. People may choose not to greet you or connect with you because they are embarrassed they have forgotten your name.

Exchange contact information.

One of the particular values of attending a conference in person is the opportunity to meet other like-minded people. Don't pass up the opportunity to take advantage of the large number of educators and professionals attending Rendez-Vous 2012. Hand out business cards with your contact information and return home with invaluable contacts and an expanded professional network.

Check out the exhibits.

The organizations exhibiting at Rendez-Vous 2012 chose to be present at this conference because they know that the information and services they offer are of interest to those attending. Make sure to build time into your schedules to visit them. You may learn something valuable and it is a great way to make connections.

Get social with our media.

Follow us on Twitter @Rendez-Vous2012, as we tweet live news, updates and information from the conference. Connect with us on Facebook at Rendez-Vous2012. It’s an excellent way to connect with other speakers and attendees before, during, and after the conference.

Don’t exhaust yourself!

Be sure to include some quiet time into your days to refresh your energy level. Mix up your experiences by attending a variety of presentation formats, so you do not become fatigued by repetition of structure. Wind down your busy days by enjoying the receptions and social events with your fellow delegates.
Maximize Your Rendez-Vous 2012 Conference Experience

What the Different Colour Badges Mean

Rendez-Vous 2012 conference badges are colour-coded to identify conference participants as the following:
- **Blue**: General Delegates
- **Green**: Students
- **Yellow**: Day Registration Delegates
- **Clear**: Accompanying Persons
- **Purple**: Exhibitors
- **Red**: Staff and Volunteers

*If you have any questions about Rendez-Vous 2012, please look for staff and volunteers wearing red t-shirts and badges! Staff and volunteers will be happy to help you.*

Yoga

During the week-long conference, yoga sessions will be made available on a daily basis. Stop by the Registration Desk and ask for the yoga sign-up sheet for 06:30 – 07:30 or a meditation class during the noon hour.

Designated Faith and Reflection Area

For those of our delegates who require a quiet space to worship or relax, NOSM is providing a Designated Faith and Reflection Area located at the Valhalla Inn, near the pool.

In order to respect the needs of all delegates, NOSM requests that delegates:
- Leave shoes outside the area on the provided rack.
- Keep noise down to a minimum.

In order to accommodate for Muslim prayer times, the Designated Faith and Reflection Area has been booked during the following times on all days:
- 05:30 - 07:00
- 13:00 - 14:30
- 17:00 - 18:00
- 20:00 - 22:00

Clean sheets will available in the Designated Faith and Reflection Area to pray/sit on.
Accompanying Persons Tours

Two exceptional scenic tours have been arranged as part of Rendez-Vous 2012’s Accompanying Persons Program. Enjoy the beauty of Thunder Bay and surrounding region and take advantage of quaint and exquisite shops highlighting local crafts and artwork. If you are interested in an Accompanying Persons tour, visit the Registration Desk for more information and to sign up for one or both tours.

Tour # 1
Wednesday, October 10, 2012

Cost is $25.00 CAD/person (Lunch and transportation are included in the fee.)

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Tour # 2
Friday, October 12, 2012

Cost is $40.00 CAD/person (Breakfast, lunch, and transportation are included in the fee.)

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<td>Centennial Park or Amethyst Mine/ Ouimet Canyon</td>
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Other Options:
Golf Day at Whitewater | Eagle Canyon | Zip Lining and Ouimet Canyon | Fort William Historical Park
Evening Events

Rendez-Vous 2012 has plenty of opportunities for networking through several social events. These events are certain to be a fun way to end a day of concentrated learning! Join us for two special evenings – a gala dinner and dance on the evening of Wednesday, October 10, and a special cultural evening of local entertainment on the evening of Thursday, October 11.

Gala Dinner and Dance

Wednesday evening, October 10, 2012, Rendez-Vous 2012 will celebrate the coming together of colleagues and friends from around the world. We will celebrate many occasions that evening in acknowledging organizations, professional affiliations, and our community.

Following a cocktail reception at 18:00 involving all registrants, the conference registrants who purchased gala dinner tickets will gather at 19:00 for an entertaining evening of conversations, speeches, and most of all, relaxing and dancing to the sounds of the Sensational Hot Rods.

We are delighted that Dr. Jon Kim Andrus, Deputy Director of the Pan American Health Organization, has agreed to be part of our celebrations and will be providing an engaging address during the evening. We will also acknowledge and celebrate Wonca’s 40th anniversary, Wonca’s Working Party on Rural Practice’s 20th anniversary, and hear words of welcome from The College of Family Physicians of Canada and the American Academy of Family Physicians, amongst other dignitaries.

Join for an inviting evening of networking and collegiality, and most of all – fun!

Cultural Social Evening

The Rendez-Vous 2012 Cultural Evening will be hosted on Thursday, October 11, 2012 from 19:00 to 22:00. This special evening will embrace the cultural fabric of Thunder Bay’s historical past and present day. This event will be held at the Victoria Inn on Arthur Street, approximately four blocks from the host hotel, Valhalla Inn.

You will be entertained by a variety of local cultural talent of Aboriginal drummers, musicians, and Aboriginal and Métis dancers. You will be immersed in the setting while enjoying the scrumptious snacks of traditional foods of the French Canadian, Aboriginal, and Scottish heritage.
List of Exhibitors

Visit Rendez-Vous 2012 exhibits to learn about the latest developments in medical supplies and equipment, community engagement, medical publishing, technology, and other health and education services and products. Don’t be shy - introduce yourself to our exhibitors!

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Conference Technologies

Exciting technological amenities have been prepared to help you to stay connected, informed, and engaged during the conference.

WiFi Availability

We have created a WiFi network to provide you access to the World Wide Web, free of charge, throughout the duration of the conference. Depending on your location, there are different methods to stay connected. WiFi is available in the area shown below.

Valhalla Inn Floor Plan - WiFi Availability
Valhalla Inn
In the immediate vicinity of the conference proceedings at the Valhalla Inn (floor plan shown to the left), delegates will have access to the Rendez-Vous 2012 network. To connect to this network, please use the following credentials:

>> WiFi Network Name: Rendezvous
>> WiFi Passkey: rend2012

Delegates staying at the Valhalla Inn, but not in the immediate vicinity of the proceedings, please connect directly to the WiFi network afforded by the Valhalla Inn. Check with the front desk of the hotel for more information.

Airlane Hotel & Conference Centre
Delegates attending proceedings at, or staying at, the Airlane Hotel, please connect to the WiFi network afforded by the Airlane Hotel. Check with the front desk of the hotel for more information.

Northern Ontario School of Medicine
Delegates attending proceedings at the West Campus of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine in Thunder Bay will be able to connect directly to the School’s network. To connect to this network, use the following credentials:

>> WiFi Network Name: wapnet
>> WiFi Passkey: abcdef1234

Delegates attending proceedings at the East Campus of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine in Sudbury will be able to connect directly to the School’s network. To connect to this network, use the following credentials:

>> WiFi Network Name: NOSM
>> WiFi Passkey: tb0ntb1tq

Buses from Thunder Bay to Sudbury
Delegates traveling by bus from Thunder Bay to Sudbury will be able to connect directly to the mobile WiFi network. To connect to this network, use the following credentials:

>> WiFi Network Name: Rendezvous
>> WiFi Passkey: rend2012

Please Note:
Due to the nature of mobile networks, the speed of the connection that is available on the bus is slower than that afforded at other venues. Additionally, there will be durations during your travel across the North when the network will become unavailable.
Conference Mobile App

Mobile software will be used to provide information to you about:

- Event and venue details.
- Access to the full conference schedule, including a “Build My Schedule” feature.
- Access to speaker bio, exhibitor details, videos, and more.
- Ability to post to Twitter and Facebook about your conference experience.
- Ability to view recent event tweets from other conference participants.

Additionally, delegates will be able to use the conference application to evaluate the different sessions that are attended during the conference. To evaluate sessions, delegates will need to have access to the personal ID provided to them for the conference. This ID is printed on the delegate’s name tag.

The mobile application is available for use with iPhone, iPad, Android, Blackberry, and any other mobile devices. To access the application on your specific device, please use the following instructions.

**iPhone**

To download and install the conference application on your iPhone device, please scan the QR Code to the left with the QR software on your iPhone. If you do not have a QR Code reader installed, we recommend searching the application store for “scan.” This is a free utility. Alternatively, you can search the application store for “Rendezvous 2012.” Please note that there is a space between ‘Rendezvous’ and ‘2012’.

**iPad**

An iPad application has been specifically created for the conference. The iPad application takes advantage of the iPad size and resolution. To download and install the conference application on your iPad device, scan the QR Code to the left with the QR software on your iPad. If you do not have a QR Code reader installed, we recommend searching the application store for “scan.” This is a free utility. Alternatively, you can search the application store for “Rendezvous 2012.” Please note that there is a space between ‘Rendezvous’ and ‘2012’.

**Android**

An Android application has been specifically created for the conference. To download and install the conference application on your Android device, please scan the QR Code to the left with the QR software on your Android Device. If you do not have a QR Code reader installed, we recommend searching the Android Play store for “scan.” This is a free utility. Alternatively, you can search the Android Play store for “Rendezvous2012.” Please note that there is NO space between ‘Rendezvous’ and ‘2012’ for the Android app.
Blackberry and Other Devices
If you do not have any of the aforementioned devices, or you wish not to install the conference application, please use the below URL on your mobile device internet browser to access the mobile application.

>>  http://grupio.com/Rendez-vous

Getting Social

Twitter
Follow us during the conference at:

>>  http://twitter.com/RendezVous2012

Also, you can share your thoughts about the conference with all other conference participants. Send your tweets and use the following hash tag: #RV2012

Tweeting Your Questions
During the plenary sessions and select events occurring at the Ballroom of the Valhalla Inn, you will be asked to Tweet your questions. Tweeted questions will be displayed and viewed by the speaker(s) and other conference attendants, then answered by the speaker(s). When instructed, please send your questions through Twitter and use the following hash tag: #RV2012QA

You can send your questions while in the Ballroom, another room, or while viewing the event through the web stream. Please be aware that there is a 140 character limitation on the length of the question that can be Tweeted.

Facebook
Find us on Facebook at:

Internet Café

For your convenience, a complimentary Internet Café has been provided for your use. The Internet Café is available at the Scandia II room of the Valhalla Inn from Tuesday, October 9 to Friday, October 12, 2012.

Digital Displays

To remain informed and connected, we invite you to view the digital displays situated adjacent to the doors leading into the Ballroom of the Valhalla Inn. The displays will provide you:

- Information about changes to the schedule.
- A Twitter feed with comments from your fellow conference attendees.
- Pictures of the conference in action.
- Videos directly from the conference organizers.

Web Streaming

If you cannot attend the plenaries or other select events occurring at the Ballroom of the Valhalla Inn, we invite you to view these events remotely. Please join the live web stream on the web. The web stream can be accessed through the following URL:

>> [http://normedstream.nosm.ca](http://normedstream.nosm.ca)

Once on the website, please click the **Join** button on the top right hand corner of the web page to register, then select the live event from the list located on the top right hand of the screen.

Your device must support and have the Adobe Flash installed to be able to play the live content. Please check and install if necessary by using the following link:


Conference Technologies Service Desk

If you still have questions about the technologies at the conference, please visit one of our Technology Advisors located at the Conference Registration Desk of the Valhalla Inn. They will be more than happy to assist you with any of your questions.
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- Austria
- Belgium
- Bhutan
- Botswana
- Brazil
- Canada
- China
- Colombia
- Croatia
- El Salvador
- Arab Republic of Egypt
- France
- Ghana
- Greece
- India
- Indonesia
- Islamic Republic of Iran
- Israel
- Kenya
- Lao People’s Democratic Republic
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Norway
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Rwanda
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saudi Arabia
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sudan
- Sweden
- Thailand
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Ukraine
- United Arab Emirates
- United Kingdom
- United States of America
- Vietnam
- Republic of Yemen
Presentation Formats

Rendez-Vous 2012 conference sessions fall within **five different presentation formats** and **six distinct abstract streams**. These streams have been designed to encourage thought-provoking discussions and inquiry related to the conference theme of Community participation in education, research and service. Engaging others in dialogue and conversation facilitates the process of research and scholarship combined with learning together.

Program Themes

**Social Accountability in Health Profession Education**
Topics under this category may include:
- Measuring response to community and societal needs.

**Innovations in Longitudinal Integrated Curricula**
Topics under this category may include:
- Student and faculty assessment.
- Research and program evaluation.
- Student-centred learning methods.
- Best practices.

**Developing a Culture for Interprofessional (IP) Learning and Practice**
Topics under this category may include:
- Research and evaluation methodologies of IPL and IPP.
- Embedding IP curriculum with patient and family and community-centred focus.
- Linking of, and readiness for, rural IPL and IPP.

**Community-Engagement in Health Professional Education**
Topics under this category may include:
- Innovative community-engaged preceptor development.
- Models of community engagement.
- Measurement outcomes and/or evaluation of community engagement.

**Transforming Health Professional Education Globally**
With an integrative approach to education research, and service incorporating the health and social needs of communities, topics under this category may include:
- Innovative approaches in building and/or sustaining community participation.
- Innovative strategies for achieving health equity.
- Collaborative leadership to globally transform health professional education.

**Advocacy: Women and Health**
Topics under this category may include:
- Newborn, child and maternal health.
- Creating female friendly medical environments.
- Empowerment of women towards health.
- Tackling gender inequities in health.

Please Note:
This legend is used on abstract pages to help you find sessions by theme.

- SA: Social Accountability
- LIC: Longitudinal Integrated Curriculum
- IP: Interprofessional Learning and Practice
- CE: Community Engagement
- THP: Transforming Health Professional Education Globally
- AW: Advocacy, Women and Health
Presentation Formats

Inspired Learning
90 minute Workshops, half day Workshops or full day Workshops

Through interactive and engaging conversations, workshops are available at varying lengths of 90 minutes, half day, and full day. It is the intent that workshops will deliver core content followed by small group discussions stimulating discussions and questions, and reflection. Workshops identify key learning outcomes to assist conference delegates in self-assessing what you may know about the content topics, what you don't know and what you can learn by attending the workshops.

Learning Spaces
15 minute Oral Presentations

Oral presentations are 15 minutes in duration allowing for 10 minutes of content presentation followed by five minutes of interactive questioning and comments. The oral presentations highlight scholarly work in medical and health professional education, service, and research related to the conference themes.

Learning Colloquium
90 minute Thematic Posters

Up to groups of eight posters are clustered into themes allowing for presenters to provide a two minute synopsis of their poster followed by interactive whole group discussions. Following the group presentation, conversations and thought-provoking questions by a Conference Moderator will guide the discussion forum.

Conversational Inquiries
30 minute PeArLS (Personally Arranged Learning Sessions)

Personally Arranged Learning Sessions (PeArLS) allow the presenter to present their narrative critical dilemma(s) in a way that allows the audience to actively participate in problem solving. The presenter will convey their problems and challenges in two to three minutes providing the context and highlighting up to a maximum of three questions for small group discussion. Following, participants will discuss the situation and provide diverse perspectives and authentic problem solving. Through a collaborative process generating ideas and solutions, small groups will discuss the issue and present back to the presenter(s) practical solutions. The presenters’ responsibility will be to listen and clarify and not to direct or guide discussions. Truly conversational, this allows the presenter(s) to also learn from the diverse groups.

Other
“Off the Wall” Presentations

Other innovative workshop formats have been embedded in the program, allowing you to be creative and think differently about the topic.

Speaker Ready Room

The Speaker Ready Room will be located at the Valhalla Inn in the Executive Boardroom on the second floor of the conference area. This room will be open the following times:

- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday
  07:30 - 18:00
- Friday and Sunday
  Closed

Standard AV Equipment

The session rooms will be equipped with a data projector, a laptop computer and a podium microphone. The computers in the presentation room and Speaker Ready Room will support PC-based presentations.

A technical help desk will be located at the Registration Desk at the Valhalla Inn if you have any questions.
**Pre-Conference Student Workshop**

**Tuesday, October 9, 2012**

**Victoria Inn**

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The Rendez-Vous Student Organizing Committee (RVSOC) recognizes the importance of tailoring the conference program to suit the interests of all student delegates. It is our hope that participants will come away from the conference with not only a better understanding of health care globally, but also with new friendships that will last a lifetime. In doing so, this will facilitate the establishment of strong networks that form the building blocks of an international community concerned with provision of equal access to health care across the globe—a community based on creativity, passion and an understanding that there is power in a group of like-minded people.

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| 09:00 - 10:00 | **Welcome**  
• Guest Speaker – NOSM Grad/Doctor  
• Ice Breaker Event |
| 10:00 - 11:15 | **Morning Breakout Session**  
Exploring Health Care World Wide  
**Topic Oriented Session (TOS)**  
All students will divide into small groups. Through small group discussions, students will use the following “Hot Topics” to guide and stimulate group interactions:  
• Prevalent health issues that you face in your area of the world/at your medical school.  
• Prevalent health issues that are present/common to all health-care professionals.  
• Discussion surrounding the WHO’s 12 Social Determinants of Health and how they pertain to health care world wide.  
Large group discussion at the end to discuss main points/share ideas that were discussed throughout the morning. |
| 11:15 - 11:30 | Nutritional Break                                                                         |
| 11:30 - 12:00 | **Rendez-Vous Conference Opening Remarks (Webstreamed)**                                 |
| 12:00 - 12:45 | Lunch                                                                                   |
| 12:45 - 14:00 | **Rendez-Vous Conference Keynote Speaker (Webstreamed)**                                |
| 14:00 - 14:15 | Outline the Break Out Sessions                                                         |
| 14:15 - 14:45 | **Session 1***                                                                           |
| 14:45 - 14:55 | Change Sessions                                                                          |
| 14:55 - 15:25 | **Session 2***                                                                           |
| 15:25 - 15:45 | Change Sessions/Break                                                                  |
| 15:45 - 16:15 | **Session 3***                                                                           |
| 16:15 - 16:25 | Change Sessions                                                                         |
| 16:25 - 16:55 | **Session 4***                                                                           |
| 17:00 - 17:30 | **Wrap up and Conclusions**                                                             |
|               | Delegate Feedback                                                                      |

* Students will rotate through all four sessions. The four sessions will entail:  
1. Structured Clinical Skills Session – The World of Clinical Encounters  
2. Grand Rounds – Clinical Case Scenarios  
3. Global Health Presentation  
4. Student Led Research Presentations
Francophone Symposium
Wednesday, October 10, 2012

Airplane Hotel and Conference Centre
Thunder Bay, Ontario

Plan to join the Northern Ontario School of Medicine’s 4th Francophone Symposium, open to all Rendez-Vous 2012 delegates!

Participants will examine current best practices and resulting impact of service, education, and research on the health status of Francophones in Northern Ontario and around the world.

Throughout this interactive day, conference participants will engage in group work, individual conversations, and small group discussions, including the opportunity to:

1. Discuss and identify elements and successful strategies to integrate community within the medical education framework in an effort to assist medical schools to meet their social accountability mandate;

2. Identify mechanisms for the priorities of linguistic and cultural minorities being connected to a medical school’s social accountability;

3. Discuss and identify the elements of collaboration between Francophone community partners and medical schools in the provision of opportunities for service learning;

4. Discuss how culture and language impact a population’s health status; and,

5. Identify partnership strategies from a regional, national, and international perspective for integrating health-care services and delivery within the context of the Francophone global community.

The symposium will feature presentations from Dr. Charles Boelen, Dr. André-Jacques Neusy, Dr. Paul Grand’Maison, Dr. Aurel Schofield, Andrée Robichaud, and France Jodoin. M. François Boileau, Ontario’s French Language Services Commissioner, will act as Moderator.

Participants should note that all presentations will be in French, with simultaneous interpretation to English available. A full program for the Francophone Symposium will be available at the symposium, and is online at www.rendez-vous2012.ca.
Keynote Speaker
Tuesday, October 9, 2012

12:45 - 13:45

Does praxis makes perfect? Reflections on the transformation of global public health education from the perspective of a migrant health worker

Dr. Timothy Evans

Dr. Timothy Evans is a dual national of Canada and the United States. Following his undergraduate degree from University of Ottawa, he obtained a D.Phil in Agricultural Economics at University of Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship. He subsequently trained in medicine at McMaster University and completed a research residency in Internal Medicine at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston with a joint appointment as a MacArthur post-doctoral fellow at the Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies.

From 1995 through to 1997, he was an Assistant Professor, International Health Economics, at Harvard School of Public Health as well as an Attending Physician, General Internal Medicine, at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital. In 1997, he was appointed the Director, Health Equity at the Rockefeller Foundation in New York. In 2003, he joined the World Health Organization as an Assistant Director General with responsibility for Evidence, Information, Research and Policy. In July 2010, he took up the post of Dean at the James P. Grant School of Public Health at BRAC University and International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B).

Dr. Evans has written numerous journal articles, chapters and books on a wide array of topics in global health and development with a particular focus on health equity, health systems and health research policy. He is currently a Commissioner on the Commission on Health Professional Leadership in the 21st Century, a member of the Board of the Public Health Foundation of India and serves as a scientific advisor to the Institute of Population and Public Health of the Canadian Institutes for Health Research. He previously served as Chair of the Board of Trustees of ICDDR,B and on the Board of BRAC.

Please note: This session will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Plenary Speakers
Wednesday, October 10, 2012 - Morning Sessions
Preparing Health Professionals for the New Century

08:00 - 08:20
Dr. Barry Kistnasamy
Education of health professionals for the 21st century

Dr. Barry Kistnasamy is a medical doctor with additional training in public health, disease surveillance and occupational health. He has 25 years experience in health policy and management in the public, non-governmental and private health sectors in South Africa. He has worked with the WHO, ILO and World Bank, served on many national and international boards, committees and commissions and was the former Dean of the Nelson Mandela School of Medicine in South Africa.

Dr. Kistnasamy serves as the Compensation Commissioner for Occupational Diseases, cluster manager for Occupational Health within the Department of Health and is the Executive Director of the National Institute for Occupational Health and the National Cancer Registry, which are public institutes within the National Health Laboratory Service of South Africa reporting to the Minister of Health in South Africa.

08:20 - 08:40
Dr. Erica Wheeler
Transforming and scaling up health professional education and training: Global policy recommendations, the World Health Organization perspective

Dr. Erica Wheeler’s background in public health and her career and studies covers a range of areas in research, policy and planning and post graduate studies covering a period of 25+ years. Dr. Wheeler has worked for The World Health Organization (WHO) over the last 13 years and for a brief period for the Asian Development Bank in an emergency/disaster setting with the focus on building the capacity of health professionals.

Dr. Wheeler’s work over the years has spanned the areas of curriculum development, training, policy and knowledge brokering in mental health and human resources for health. This entailed working on the national as well as international levels. All of these activities have been aimed at improving and strengthening human resources for health at the country level. More latterly, the focus of Dr. Wheeler’s work in WHO headquarters has been the production and education of health workers with an initial focus on developing and promoting global policy guidelines to transform and scale up health professional education and training.

Session Moderator: Dr. Jan De Maeseneer
Dr. Ainsley McCaskill is a Resident Medical Officer working in Emergency at Cairns Base Hospital in Far North Queensland. She graduated from the Flinders University School of Medicine in 2010. Dr. McCaskill’s studies were primarily based in Adelaide, but she enjoyed a wide range of rural and urban clinical experience in South Australia, the Northern Territory, Western Canada and the UK.

Dr. McCaskill completed her Internship at Flinders Medical Centre before heading north to continue her discovery of the exciting medicine that tropical Australia has to offer. She grew up in Calgary, spending summers hiking and winters skiing in the Rockies. She relocated to the West Coast to attend the University of Victoria where she completed a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Biology in 2005. A semester of Field Studies in Kenya enhanced Dr. McCaskill’s interest in Global Health, enriching her appreciation for contextual diversity and relative disparity. Dr. McCaskill is interested in Public Health. She acted as a Youth Commissioner for the Commission on the Education of Health Professionals for the 21st Century. She has been active in rape relief counseling, peri-natal addiction and was an academic representative as a medical student and junior doctor. Dr. McCaskill’s passion for prevention and education motivated her work in developing an introductory course in Prevention Medicine for NextGenU.org, an online university.

**Learning Objectives**

By the end of the Wednesday plenary sessions, the audience will be able:

1. To articulate key elements required to lead the transformation of health professional education now and in and for the future.

2. To identify the impact of global health and education initiatives guided by community and cultural needs.

3. To examine the factors contributing to curricula and professional practice in preparing health professionals to meet future societal and global health needs.

**Please note:** These sessions will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Plenary Speakers
Wednesday, October 10, 2012 - Afternoon Sessions
Preparing Health Professionals for the New Century

13:00 - 13:20
Dr. Agnes Soucat
The labor market for health workers in Africa: A new look at the crisis

Dr. Agnes Soucat is the Director for Human Development for the African Development Bank, where she is responsible for health, education and social protection for 53 countries in Africa, including Sub-Saharan Africa and the Maghreb. Previously, she has variously served as Lead Economist, and Advisor, Human Development for Africa for the World Bank. She has been leading the Health Systems For Outcomes (HSO) program of the World Bank, a program focused on health systems strengthening and reaching the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). She has over 25 years of experience in International Health directly covering more than 30 countries in Africa, Asia and Europe.

Dr. Soucat holds an MD and Masters in Nutrition from the University of Nancy in France as well as a Master of Public Health and Ph.D in Health Economics from the Johns Hopkins University. She is a public sector and public finance specialist and has worked extensively on designing and implementing Community Based Financing programs, Poverty Reduction Strategies, Social Services Decentralization and Performance Based Financing. She has been responsible for multi-sectoral and results based budget support programs covering sectors such as agriculture, education, health, water energy, etcetera, and focusing on reaching the MDGs in several countries, particularly Rwanda. Dr. Soucat has published both articles and books. She was among others the coauthor of the PRSP toolkit and the World Development Report 2004 Making Services Work for Poor People, as well as a main author of the background reports to the High Level Task Force on Innovative Financing (HLTIF). She was also a member of the Global expert Team on Health Systems of the World Bank. She also worked for UNAIDS, UNICEF and the European Commission. Dr. Soucat is a French national.

13:20 - 13:40
Dr. Elsie Kiguli-Malwadde
Improving health professions education in Sub-Saharan Africa: What African medical schools think. MEPI (Medical Education Partnership Initiative)

Dr. Elsie Kiguli-Malwadde is the Director of the Medical Education Partnership Initiative (MEPI) Coordinating Center at The African Centre for Global Health and Social Transformation (ACHEST). She had until December 2010 been an associate professor and head of the department of Radiology at the College of Health Sciences, Makerere University. She understands very well the challenges of Medical Education in Sub-Saharan Africa. Apart from her radiology training she is a fellow of the Foundation for the Advancement of Medical Education and Research (FAIMER). She holds a Masters in Health Professions Education from Maastricht University in the Netherlands. She has the experience of hands-on educator and has special interest in innovative education. She is a graduate of Makerere University where she received both her MBchB and Masters in Medicine in Radiology. Dr. Kiguli-Malwadde has been at the forefront of promoting and enhancing quality health professions education in Uganda. She has been involved in faculty committees responsible for curriculum development, medical and research ethics development, and developing ethical procedures for quality medical research. She has worked with Mulago Hospital and Makerere University College of Health Sciences as a key member of various faculty project teams involved in enhancing professional health education in Uganda and assessing training needs within the medical profession. She has published 47 journal articles in Radiology and Imaging as well as in Medical Education, and presented papers at many international workshops and conferences. She has been Global Faculty discussant and advisor for Foundation for the Advancement of Medical Education and Research (FAIMER) Philadelphia, USA. Dr. Kiguli-Malwadde has been a member of the faculty for the South African FAIMER Institute.
13:40 - 14:00
Dr. Gretchen Roedde

Facing the challenge with communities of responding to the greatest health inequity - global maternal health

Dr. Gretchen Roedde was born in Thunder Bay, Ontario, and worked with Aboriginal communities in Northern Ontario (Nishnawbe-Aski Nation) before and after her medical training at McMaster. For the last 25 years, she has worked in 30 countries in Africa, Asia, the South Pacific, and the Caribbean, in maternal and child health and HIV/AIDS. She has worked for NGOs such as World Vision; governments including Germany, Denmark, Canada, Luxembourg, Australia and New Zealand; the Asian Development Bank and the World Bank; and UNICEF and the United Nations Population Fund. She has taught at McMaster Medical School, the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, and lectures at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine.

Dr. Roedde works as a GP in Haileybury, New Liskeard, Cobalt, Latchford and Temagami. She was recently the co-team leader of the evaluation of the UNFPA Campaign to End Fistula. Her book A Doctor’s Quest, with a foreword by Dr. John Evans, explores the struggle for mother and child health around the globe. It highlights the particular challenges of minority peoples, the persistent gap between rich and poor, which limits equitable access to maternal health care, and the need to work with communities themselves to develop sustainable strategies for health.

Please note: These sessions will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Plenary Speakers
Thursday, October 11, 2012 - Morning Session
Becoming Socially Accountable by Sustainable Partnerships

08:00 - 08:20
Dr. Charles Boelen
Crossing borders: The challenge of meeting health needs of society

Dr. Charles Boelen is a medical doctor (Belgium, 1966), specialized in public health (University of Montreal, Canada), epidemiology (McGill University, Montreal), health system management (Harvard and Stanford Universities, USA), and education of health professionals (University of Paris XIII, France). During his 30 years with the World Health Organization (1972 to 2001), he developed worldwide human resources development projects in coordination with Ministries of Health and Higher Education, professional associations and academic institutions. At WHO Headquarters in Geneva (1988-2001), he served as coordinator of the program of human resources for health and initiated several important policy documents.

Since 2002, Dr. Boelen has been an international consultant in health systems and personnel. He is best known for his work on: social accountability of academic institutions (he authored the WHO monograph *Defining and measuring the social accountability of medical schools and promoted strategies for educational reforms*); primary health-care professionals (he is the inventor of the "Five-star-doctor" model and the WHO global strategy for reorientating medical education and medical practice for Health for All); and, health-care reform (he is the author of the WHO strategy *Towards Unity for Health*, aimed at making the best use of health resources, including human resources, with emphasis on integration of individual and public health activities and on partnership among key stakeholders: policymakers, health service managers, health professions, academic institutions, and civil society.)

08:20 - 08:40
Dr. Della Yarnold
Community engagement for social accountability in the Northern Territory of Australia: From rhetoric to reality and results

This young doctor, Dr. Della Yarnold, is also a mum from the Biripi peoples who for centuries harvested the native plants around the towns now known as Taree, Wingham, Nabiac, and Tinonee and utilised them for their culinary and medicinal purposes. This incredible knowledge was handed down and exchanged orally across the kinship lines. Initially, Dr. Yarnold actually studied law. After getting married and traveling across the country, she left her Northern Territory town of Katherine – home of the Jawoyn – and moved back to the east coast lands of the Awabakal, where she began her studies in medicine. She is now completing a Ph.D. through Sydney University in Aboriginal renal disease in communities of NSW.

Dr. Yarnold believes that making courses available closer to students’ homes makes all the difference to them and it’s her passion and hope that more indigenous doctors will be able to work in the NT. Prior to embarking on her medical career, Dr. Yarnold had a fierce desire for the betterment of her community and worked in a range of government roles providing that interface between communities and government. Since becoming a doctor, she has remained active in policy development and implementation working as the Senior Policy Officer for the NSW Health Aboriginal Chronic Disease Program. Dr. Yarnold is also a Chief Investigator on a number of NHMRC grants and interested in translational research mechanisms.
Born in Sudbury, Ontario, Dr. Doris Mitchell was raised in the small rural Northern Ontario community of Chapleau. Dr. Mitchell is an Ojibway woman and member of the Brunswick House First Nation, who started her career in the medical field as a Registered Nurse. In 1991, she graduated at the tender age of nineteen from the diploma nursing program at Confederation College in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Between 1992 and 1994, Dr. Mitchell returned home to work full time in the small community hospital in Chapleau. As an Ojibway woman, she decided to change her career focus from hospital nursing to working in the field of Aboriginal health.

Dr. Mitchell graduated with honours from the Laurentian University BScN program and was later accepted into the Northern Ontario School of Medicine. She graduated from medical school in the spring of 2010 and began her post graduate training in Family Medicine at NOSM. During her time as a resident she conducted a research project to assess the confidence and competence of family medicine residents in conducting infant developmental screening. During her final year of post graduate training Dr. Mitchell was elected co-chief for the Laurentian campus family medicine residency program. Dr. Mitchell has now entered into independent practice and her lifelong dedication to Aboriginal health has been reaffirmed by her agreeing to practice medicine back in her home town of Chapleau and Brunswick House First Nation.

Please note: These sessions will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Dr. Bryan MacLeod is a family physician in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada. He cut his teeth as a rural family doc in the small Northern community of Marathon, Ontario after graduating from the Northwestern Ontario Family Medicine Program in 1998. He is a father of three (wonderful, bright, intelligent, and kind) busy children. In his spare time, he teaches at the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and works with health professional teams in Pain Medicine, Rheumatology, and Long Term Care. With what little time remains, Dr. MacLeod has been acting since 1998, and has performed in Romeo and Juliet, Halo, Arms and the Man, The Laramie Project, The Tempest, and The Importance of Being Ernest. He is co-founder of Cambrian Improv Theatre Group. His passions include: his family, theatre, photography, basketball, and of course medical education.
Plenary Speakers
Friday, October 12, 2012 - Morning Session

Building on the Success of Innovations in Health Professional Education

Session Moderator: Dr. Rich Roberts

08:00 - 08:20
Dr. Ted Epperly

Innovation in family medicine residency: A decentralized model in a rural state

Dr. Ted Epperly, MD, is program director and chief executive officer of the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho. He is also a clinical professor of family medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine. A member of the American Academy of Family Physicians since 1980, Dr. Epperly has advocated in many ways on behalf of family medicine and the patients the specialty serves. He is the immediate past board chair and past president of AAFP, and previously served single-year terms as president-elect and president, and three years as a member of the board of directors. In these roles, he has advocated on behalf of family physicians and patients nationwide to inspire positive change in the U.S. health-care system. Dr. Epperly has held all the elected positions in the Uniformed Services Academy of Family Physicians, including president. He joined the Idaho Academy of Family Physicians when he retired as a colonel from the U.S. Army in 2001 and returned to his home state of Idaho. Dr. Epperly has published more than 45 peer-reviewed scientific articles and book chapters, and given hundreds of lectures nationally and internationally. He is a reviewer and member of the editorial board of the Annals of Family Medicine. He is also a reviewer for American Family Physician, and serves on the advisory board of Men's Health. He has recently authored Staring into the Soul of America: Why We Struggle with Healthcare for All. Dr. Epperly has spoken with President Obama several times, and has testified before Congress on multiple occasions, about the centrality and importance of family medicine, primary care, the health-care workforce, access to care, the patient-centered medical home (PCMH), and health-care transformation. Modern Healthcare ranks Epperly as one of the 100 most powerful people in health care.

Program Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho
Idaho, United States of America

08:20 - 08:40
Dr. Jill Konkin

Participation, meaning, and identity: Innovation in undergraduate medical education

Dr. Jill Konkin is the Associate Dean, Division of Community Engagement, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry (FoMD), University of Alberta since January 2011. She provides leadership in the areas of Indigenous, inner city, global and rural and regional health. Responsibilities include the meaningful engagement of communities both at home and internationally with the FoMD, increasing the social accountability of the FoMD including the development and implementation of new medical education programs to meet this goal, and advocacy for issues at the intersection of health services delivery and medical education. She is also responsible for the successful implementation of a rural longitudinal integrated clerkship in 2007 and for a program, now in its third year, that delivers a second year undergraduate medicine course in three communities outside Edmonton. In January 2012, Dr. Konkin was one of a group of four Society of Rural Physicians of Canada members who worked with faculty at a new medical school in Nepal to further the development of their rural clinical medical education program.

Associate Dean, Community Engagement, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

A graduate of the University of Calgary MD program and its Family Medicine Residency program, Dr. Konkin has spent her career as a full service rural family physician, including 16 years in Jasper, Alberta. She has had many leadership roles including the President of the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada, the Alberta College of Family Physicians and a Board Member for the Alberta Medical Association. Current research interests include rural medical education, professional identity formation and rural health-care delivery.
Plenary Speakers
Friday, October 12, 2012 - Morning Session

Building on the Success of Innovations in Health Professional Education

08:40 - 09:00
Dr. Jill Downie
Community engagement and change management to foster innovation in interprofessional curriculum development

Dr. Jill Downie was appointed to the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) at Curtin University in July 2012. Her previous appointment was Pro Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty of Health Sciences and she is also Professor of Nursing. Professor Downie has established the Curtin Health Innovation Research Institute (CHIRI) within the Faculty of Health Sciences which aims to facilitate health research related to the prevention and management of chronic disease in vulnerable communities, mental health, ageing, indigenous health and population health. Currently Curtin, with Professor Downie leading the team, is developing a proposal to establish a new medical degree program within the Faculty of Health Sciences. The new Curtin Medical School will focus on areas of contemporary health need and will have an interprofessional education (IPE) and team-based approach. The Faculty of Health Sciences reputation and focus on IPE learning puts Curtin at the frontier of innovative course delivery with the introduction of the faculty’s interprofessional first year which commenced in 2011.

Professor Downie is an established national and international researcher with numerous grants, publications and conference presentations, including keynote addresses.

Learning Objectives
By the end of the Friday plenary sessions, the audience will be able:

1. To identify successful strategies that lead to innovative curriculum development and health professional education.

2. To discuss creative approaches for the successful integration of interprofessionalism in curricular developments.

3. To discuss evidence-informed results and impact of longitudinal integrated curricula in medical education.

Please note: These sessions will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Student Panel
Saturday, October 13, 2012 - Morning Session
Reflecting on Community Engagement

08:00 - 09:30

The International Student Panel consists of representatives from:

- Flinders University - Darwin Campus
  Australia
- Patan Academy of Health Sciences
  Nepal
- Walter Sisulu University
  South Africa
- Northern Ontario School of Medicine
  Canada
- University of the Philippines
  Philippines
- Moi University
  Kenya

Learning Objectives

Through listening to each speaker’s narratives and interacting with the student panel, the audience will be able to:

1. Discuss the enablers and joys of student community-engaged experiences during one’s professional training.

2. Identify the factors that contribute to successful community-engaged learning experiences and future partnerships with institutions.

Please note: These sessions will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Plenary Speaker
Saturday, October 13, 2012 - Afternoon Session

13:00 - 14:00

Dr. Sarah Chalmers - Tribute to Dr. John Macleod

**John Macleod Oration**

Dr. Ian Couper

*Professor of Rural Health, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, Africa*

Outsiders, outlaws, and outliers: A view from the inside

Dr. Ian Couper

Dr. Ian Couper is Professor of Rural Health at the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits), Johannesburg. He is Director of the Wits Centre for Rural Health, which was launched in 2009, with a focus on human resources for rural health. He holds a joint appointment in the North West Provincial Department of Health as Head: Clinical Unit (rural medicine). He is a family physician by training, and is currently acting head of the Wits Department of Family Medicine. His areas of activity are in health service development, undergraduate and postgraduate education, research and advocacy. He was active in the formation of the Rural Doctors Association of Southern Africa (RuDASA) about 15 years ago, and currently chairs the international Working Party on Rural Practice of the World Organization of Family Doctors (Wonca). Dr. Couper serves as editor of the African section of the international journal *Rural and Remote Health*. He was a member of the expert panel that produced the WHO Global Policy recommendations “Increasing access to health workers in remote and rural areas through improved retention” and is part of the WHO Core Guidelines Group developing the recommendations on “Scaling up of Transformative Health Professional Education.”

Please note: This session will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.
Reflective Presentation
Sunday, October 14, 2012 - Morning Session

09:00 - 11:00
Dr. Bruce Chater
Collecting thoughts and generating actions

11:00 - 12:00
Closing Ceremonies

Learning Objectives
By the end of the Sunday sessions, the audience will be able:

1. To explore strategies in reforming and refining medical education to meet global needs.
2. To create a forum that collectively addresses community participation in education, research, and service.

Please note: This session will be available via live web stream. Please see page 30 for details on how to connect.