

CCHSA/CCSSMA NEWS 2010-2011 Annual Report & Summary of Activities

OUR VISION

World leadership in health of rural people.

OUR MISSION

To conduct and stimulate research, education and health promotion programs aimed at enhancing the health and well-being of agricultural, rural and remote populations.

EDITORIAL

The Canadian Centre for Health and Safety in Agriculture (CCHSA), which grew out of the College of Medicine's Centre for

Agricultural Medicine celebrated its 25th Anniversary on June 14-15, 2011 in Saskatoon with a two part event-a retrospective and a look to the future to determine the issues in the next decade and beyond. The theme "Growing on a Solid Foundation" recognized the research, training and services in agricultural medicine

over the past 25 years. Dr. John Gordon, Director, stated that "in the past quarter century CCHSA has grown to

Celebrating 25 Years!

become Canada's pre-eminent authority on agricultural occupational health." For the celebration, "ABrief Hisotry: 1986 - 2011" booklet providing a



CCHSA Faculty and Staff (Refer to page 11 for names)

chronological history of the development of the Centre was compiled and a Commemorative Pewter Coaster with a rendering of the new building was

given to each guest.

CCHSA began under the direction of Dr.
James Dosman often referred to as the "Father of Agricultural Medicine" in Canada. Since 1986 the Centre has grown from one faculty member to seven which include four research chairs and from two nurses to a research/support staff of thirthy.

CCHSA leads a National Research Network of some 65 researchers at 15 universities across Canada, as well as **GROWING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION**

the Canadian Institutes of Health Research funded Public Health and the Agricultural Rural Ecosystem National Training Program which includes researchers at eight Canadian universities and eight international partner institutions in China, Mongolia, Africa, and Eastern Europe.

In 2007 CCHSA secured a \$15.2 M matching grant from the Canadian Foundation for Innovation and the U of S to establish the CCHSA National Agricultural Industrial Hygiene Laboratory which will occupy the ground floor of the new Academic Health Sciences Building with wet labs in the new Bio Medical building.

Over the past 25 years CCHSA's Extension Division, the Agricultural Health and Safety Network, has grown to include more than 200 Rural Municipalities in Saskatchewan representing more than 30,000 farm families.

From the initial partner-

ship between the College of Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan and the Lung Association of Saskatchewan 25 years ago to the present day the Centre has evolved and expanded its mandate in agricultural safety, rural health research and delivery of information and training programs to all stakeholders...

While we celebrate 25 successful years we continue to plan and move forward to grow a safety culture for rural Canada.





SERVICES:

Agriculture Health and Safety Network

The Agricultural Health and Safety Network (The Network) provides agricultural occupational health and safety information and programs to Saskatchewan farm families through support from CCHSA, Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, membership fees and external grants.

In 2011, the Network grew its membership to a total of 202 participating RMs which includes over 29,000 farm families. The Network provides agricultural health and safety literature, newsletters, hearing and respiratory clinics, speakers, workshops, trade show displays and many other events for participating RMs. The Network benefits from input of the Steering Committee comprised of six RM councilors repre-

senting the six divisions

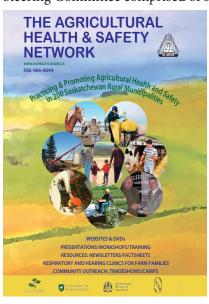
Municipalities (SARM) and a representative from the Ministry of Agriculture. Strong partnerships have been developed and maintained with provincial and national organizations resulting in the delivery of a unique agricultural health and

of the Saskatchewan

Association of Rural

safety program in

Saskatchewan.



This poster was distributed to RM offices to promote etwork services

The Library of Resources

The resource and DVD library consistently receives requests for resources from the large collection housed in the Network office. The Network houses quality occupational health and safety resources on a large number of topics for Saskatchewan farmers that are distributed through traditional mail, electronically, and at trade shows. New resources include factsheets entitled Older Farmers, Children on the Farm, and the Farm Safety Plan Resource.

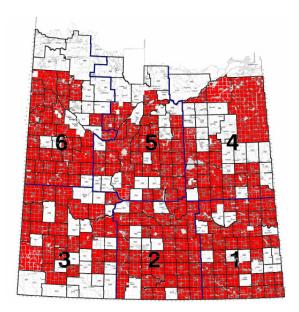
Website

As movement towards electronically based resources continues, the Network is working towards servicing the progressive and technologically savvy farmers by revamping our current website and uploading current and new resources and videos.

Newsletters & Annual Package Package

The Network News is a newsletter produced and delivered twice a year to all farm families in the Network with a focus on health and safety issues in rural Saskatchewan, research updates and Network activities. The annual package included the (Sleepless in Saskatchewan: Making Sleep Work for You!) resource which complements the available DVD package available at their RM office. In addition to a brochure from the Canadian Cancer Society entitled Early Detection and Screening focusing on the four most common cancers in men.

Recruitment



The Network has grown to 202 RMs and recruitment efforts are ongoing

Network Respiratory Health & Hearing Clinics

As part of Network membership, local communities and farm families are offered Respiratory Health Clinics or Hearing Conservation clinics. A Registered Nurse with experience in agricultural health and safety meets with individual producers to provide a confidential occupational health screening, health promotion counseling, and address various health concerns within their community location. Network Health Clinics were conducted in the following RMs: Spy Hill, Moosomin, Lipton, Fillmore, LaJord, Eyebrow, Stonehenge, Lumsden, Glen Bain, Swift Current, Snipe Lake, Ituna Bon Accord, Emerald, Pleasantdale, Rosedale, Hoodoo, Usborne, Viscount, and Paynton.

Workshops & Presentations

The Network provided speakers for numerous Rate Payers' meetings, Progressive Farm Safety Days, Scientific Conferences, Educational Conferences, Professional Development Days, celebrations and other invited speaking engagements. Topics for these presentations have included the Farm Safety Plan Workshop, Sleep and Stress, Older Farmers, and Caring for the Caregiver.

The Farm Safety Plan Workshops

Bringing together over 20 years of quality research based resources is important, so the Network focused on the Farm Safety Plan to deliver those resources to farmers and assist them in developing a Farm Safety Plan for their farm or ranch. The project was designed to consider and accommodate the diversity of Saskatchewan farming and ranching.

Farmers in and around the communities of Churchbridge, Landis, Weyburn, Pamburn, Prince Albert, Wynyard, Meacham, Rosthern, Tompkins, Benson, Viscount, Moosamin, and at the SARM convention had opportunity to take part in a Farm Safety Plan workshop. Funding assistance came from the Canadian Agriculture Safety Association (CASA). Farm Credit Canada (FCC) funding has provided support to continue these workshops.

90th Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) Scholarship

Initiated in 1995 with SARM and the continued support of

the Founding Chairs, this scholarship is awarded each year to a grade 12 student who writes the best farm safety essay. This year's recipient of this scholarship is Steven Tymiak. Steven will be awarded \$1000 to use towards his post secondary education. Steven is planning to enter the College of Arts and Science at the University of Regina in the fall of 2011. Steven lives near Jasmine, SK and is from RM #246 Ituna Bon Accord.



Steven Tymiak

Rural and Dementia Care

Our interdisciplinary team of researchers has been working together since 2003. The team's focus is research aimed at improving the care of people with Alzheimer Disease and other dementias who live in rural and remote areas of

the province. Saskatchewan has the highest proportion of seniors in Canada with more seniors living in rural communities than in urban centres in our province. The risk of developing dementia increases with age, and accessing needed health care services can be challenging the further one is from an urban centre. The Rural Dementia Care team's research focuses on finding new ways to provide care and involves the use of technologies such as the province-wide telehealth network.



Relevancy

A Decision-Maker Advisory Council, comprised of frontline health care providers and managers, family members of people with dementia, health region representatives, international researchers, governmental and community based organizations, provides guidance to our team's research. The Advisory Council's input ensures that our research is relevant to the people of our province, and also helps to share team research efforts and findings back with the communities that the Council members represent.

Team Activities

The interdisciplinary nature of our team lends itself to a variety of research projects focused on rural and remote dementia care from complementary perspectives. Some projects undertaken by team co-investigators include:

*Rural and Remote Memory Clinic

An on-going project of the rural dementia care team is the Rural and Remote Memory Clinic. The clinic focus is on diagnosis and management of atypical and complex cases of suspected dementia, where an interdisciplinary team assessment is most needed. The clinic streamlines the assessment in order to reduce repeated travel over long distances and to shorten the time to diagnosis by coordinating an interdisciplinary assessment on one day and using telehealth videoconferencing for follow-up appointments. The Rural and Remote Memory Clinic was implemented and evaluated through a CIHR funded research program. It now

currently receives funding from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to provide clinical services to Saskatchewan residents. A rich longitudinal database has been developed and maintained since the clinic was implemented, allowing the investigators to examine a wide range of research questions related to rural and remote dementia care.

*In-person meeting of the Decision-Maker Advisory Council and research team.

The 3rd Annual Summit of the Knowledge Network in Rural and Remote Dementia Care was held in Saskatoon on the 28th and 29th of October 2010. Local, regional, and international researchers in the field of rural dementia care came together with Saskatchewan health care providers and decision makers who work with those affected by dementia in our province, as well as family members of people with



dementia. Through a variety of plenary sessions, interactive discussion groups, and informal discussions, participants were able to broaden their understanding of current rural and remote dementia research, as well as provide input to shape future research activities. Dr. John Keady of the University of Manchester, UK, gave the key-note address. His research focuses on the experiences of people living with dementia and their caregivers as they transition through all the stages of dementia.

*Development and Evaluation of a Telehealth-Delivered Exercise Intervention



This study involves a small scale pilot study of a teledelivered exercise intervention program for people with memory problems who live in rural or

remote areas. Physical activity may reduce cognitive aging and is recommended for patients diagnosed with dementia.

This pilot study includes 2 families for a total of 4 participants who will be attending from one telehealth site outside of Saskatoon. We have conducted our pre-testing and have coordinated with Telehealth Saskatchewan to conduct the twice weekly sessions in June, 2011. Engagement, acceptability, and feasibility will be assessed with audiotaped telehealth interviews following the intervention. In addition, each participant will complete measures of fitness, physical activity, mood, and quality of life.

*Dementia Diagnosis and Management

This research project explores the assessment and management of people with dementia by family physicians and nurse practitioners in rural and remote Saskatchewan. We conducted a pilot study with 14 family physicians (FPs) and nurse practitioners (NPs) in early 2010. Since October 2010, we have conducted a subsequent study with 15 family physicians who had referred one or more patients to the Rural and Remote Memory Clinic. The results suggest that FPs would like to see more collaborative models in practice, particularly those that include a nurse or another healthcare professional trained specifically in dementia care. We also found that FPs acknowledged both disadvantages and advantages of practicing rural, with drawbacks focused on physical distance from healthcare services and benefits centred around social proximity to healthcare workers, patients, and people close to patients. Our next steps are focused on developing a comprehensive program of intervention research focused on innovative models of rural and remote community-based healthcare that will improve access to appropriate prevention and intervention strategies.

*Caregiver Needs Assessment

This study is aimed at improving our understanding of the experiences of family caregivers and the supports and services needed to help them in their role. To date, the caregiver(s) of 31 patients of the Rural and Remote Memory Clinic have been enrolled and have participated in an initial interview on clinic day. Sixteen of those participants have completed a six-month follow-up interview, and one has completed a one-year follow-up interview. New caregivers will continue to be enrolled in the study until we have developed a comprehensive understanding of the rural caregiving experience from diagnosis to one-year post-diagnosis. We will continue to conduct six-month and one-year follow-up interviews with currently enrolled participants until at least June 2012.

*Translating Research in Elder Care – TREC

TREC is a multi-year, multi-province research study examining the role of 'organizational context' in the lives of

the people who live and work in long-term care facilities in the prairies. The study is funded through CIHR with the largest operating grant ever awarded in aging or knowledge translation research. The principal investigator is Dr. Carole Estabrooks at the University of Alberta. Dr. Debra Morgan leads the Saskatchewan TREC study. In Saskatchewan, the research team members have visited 13 long-term care facilities around the province and collected information from staff at the facilities. The data team at the University of Alberta is now analyzing the data collected from the 13 Saskatchewan facilities, and the facilities in Alberta and Manitoba – a total of 36 long-term care centres. A meeting with participating facilities and other interested stakeholders is being planned for November 2011 in Saskatoon, to report back on study findings.

Funding for our projects comes from a variety of sources: The team leader, Dr. Debra Morgan, is currently funded by the Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (Applied Chair in Health Services & Policy Research). Additional funding for team projects is provided by: CCHSA-CIHR Centre for Research Development Pilot Project and Knowledge Translation grants, and the Ralston Brothers Medical Research Fund.

Graduate Training Program in Public Health and the Agricultural Rural Ecosystem (PHARE)

The CIHR Strategic Training Program entitled, "Public Health and the Agricultural Rural Ecosystem" (PHARE) provides scholarship support along the development continuum from Masters through to Post Doctoral Fellows to train and mentor young scientists. The program continues until 2014. There is a May 31st deadline for applications.

2010-2011 PHARE Training Scholarships Awardees:

Post Doctoral Fellow: Julie Kosteniuk, University of Saskatchewan; Valérie Létourneau, Laval Université; Rasha Maal-Bared, University of Ottawa; Xiangfei Meng, University of Saskatchewan; and Zimu Yu, University of Saskatchewan.

PhD: Brenna Bath, University of Saskatchewan; Amanda Froehlich, University of Saskatchewan; Zhiwei Gao, University of Alberta; Nichole Garzia, University of British Columbia; Kerry Anne Hogan, Queen's University; Natasha Just, University of Saskatchewan; Megan Kot, Dalhousie University; Kyungsu Kim, University of Alberta; Arcadio Viveros Guzman, University of Saskatchewan.

Masters: Pascale Blais-Lecours, Université Laval; Katherine Plewa, University of Western Ontario; and Ming Ye, University of Alberta.

National Resesarch Program

Since its inception in 2003, the National Research Program (formerly the Centre for Research Development Program) has grown to over 60 scientific collaborators and 65 students representing 17 Canadian universities across 9 provinces and 13 non-Canadian universities and other organizations. The research program covers the theme areas of What we breathe (Genetic and environmental determinants of infections), What we eat and drink (Determinants of infections), How we work (Occupational health issues), and How we live (Physical and mental health, and social issues).

The Knowledge Translation Project Program is intended to dissiminate "evidence-based" knowsledge aimed at improving health an/or safety in the agricultural/rural community; encourage new collaborations and knowsledge exchange among stakeholders, and reach and impact upon an audience of end users.

CAPACITY BUILDING

National Partners Fund

The National Partners Fund, the successor to the Founding Chairs Program which was established in 1989, is an integral part of creating a secure financial base for CCHSA and providing opportunities for new program initiatives. A portion of the funds are used for special research projects, scholarships for graduate students and knowledge translation.

The Guardian categories, ranging from Bronze Guardians to Platinum Guardians recognize lifetime contributions of current and previous contributors in addition to new contributors.

Gold	Canadian National Railways		
Silver	Farm Credit Canada Federated Co-operatives Ltd Viterra		
Bronze	The Cooperators		

Maura Gillis-Cipywnyk, Director of Institutional Advancement, is responsible for coordinating the program in consultation with the Management Committee which is comprised of 3 members who are Contributors and 3 members from the University of Saskatchewan. Current members include, Chairperson Glen Tully, President, Federated Co-operatives Inc; Terry Baker, Viterra, Lyndon Carlson, Vice-President, Marketing and Product Development, Farm Credit Canada and University of Saskatchewan representatives: Dr. John Gordon, Direc-

tor, Canadian Centre for Health and Safety in Agriculture, Dr. William Albritton, Dean, College of Medicine; SueVerhille-Long, Financial Services Division.

During the past year, meetings were held with numerous corporations to discuss a proposed safe farm certificate program and to promote awareness within Canadian agricultural industries, companies and associations.

Canadian AgriSafety Applied Research Program

Agrivita Canada Inc., a not for profit company, has completed its long-term sustainability plan called Canadian Agrisafe Applied Research Program (Canadian Agrisafety ARP).

KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION AND EXCHANGE INITIATIVES

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Published Resources:

Health Works column in The Rural Councilor This SARM publication continues to host a column written by Network staff. Each article focuses on farm health and safety concerns. This year's articles included: The SARM

Scholarship Award Winning Essay, Growing Forward with a Farm Safety Plan, Farm Safety is in Your Hands: Celebrating 200 RMs and Still Growing, and Children on the Farm.

The HandiFarmer The Farmers with Disabilities newsletter hosts articles by the Network. Articles include Keeping Senior Farmers Safe, Encouraging Your Community to Farm Safely, and Activating Your Farm Safety Plan.

The Country Guide featured the Network RN in a two part article entitled The Heart of Your Farm focusing on heart disease prevention and controlling risk factors.

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AWARDS: Faculty, Students & Staff:

Congratulations to Debra Morgan, Allison Cammer and team on an Education and Training Knowledge Translation Funding Award from the Canadian Dementia Knowledge Translation Network.

Congratulations to Niels Koehncke on receiving a Teaching Award from the Student's Association of the School of Public Health!

Congratulations to Josh Lawson on a CIHR New Investigator Salary Award.

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APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. James A. Dosman: Distinguished Research Chair, University of Saskatchewan

The "father of agricultural medicine" in Canada, has devoted his career to improving the health of, and preventing injury to, farmers and their families. He began at the U of S, followed by

a residency and postdoctoral fellowship at McGill University that established him in his specialty of respiratory medicine. He returned to the U of S to found the Division of Respiratory Medicine in the College of Medicine in 1975, and, 11 years later, the Centre for Agricultural Medicine – now known as the Canadian Centre for Health and Safety in Agriculture (CCHSA). The organization is the only one in Canada to provide research, education, and health promotion to agricultural and rural popula-



tions – a crucial service to the families working in one of the most dangerous occupations in both Canada and the U.S.

Dosman worked with local municipal governments to establish the Agricultural Health and Safety Network, which provides health and safety education services to thousands of farm families. He has been instrumental in bringing these programs to the national level. His work to reduce dangers to farm families across the province and the country have won him numerous awards, as well as accolades from the farm communities to which he has devoted his career.

Fall 2012: Dr. James A. Dosman has been elected to the Royal Society of Canada

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