# **Summit Update and News**

for the RaDAR Knowledge Network in Rural and Remote Dementia Care



Summit 11 will take place on Tuesday,
October 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, the
24<sup>th</sup> in Saskatoon. Our venue will be
Butler Byers Hall at the Western
Development Museum (WDM) at
2610 Lorne Avenue.



11th Annual Summit
Saskatoon, SK
Western Development Museum
Tuesday, October 23rd & Wednesday, October 24th, 2018

The evening of Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> will be an informal scientific poster and display session from 6:30 to 9:00 pm, with a brief program at 7:15 pm. Tuesday evening provides a casual setting to meet researchers, students, and other participants and learn more about dementia care research in Saskatchewan and across Canada. The Summit meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am until about 4:00 pm. The Summit day will feature a keynote guest, knowledge sharing, research presentations, and dedicated time for participants to meet and network.

A block of guest rooms has been reserved for Summit 11 participants at Four Points By Sheraton, located at 503 Cope Way, just 3 kms away from the WDM. Contact the hotel at 306-933-9889 and quote Room Block Group Code RJ23AB to book at our group rate of \$114 per night.

#### Summit Keynote Presenter: Dr. Stefanie Auer

This year's Summit Keynote presenter will be Dr. Stefanie Auer from Danube University Krems, Austria. Dr. Auer is Professor for Dementia Studies in the Department of Clinical Neurosciences and Preventive Medicine at Danube University Krems. She also serves as Scientific Director of the MAS Alzheimerhilfe in Upper Austria.

Dr. Auer and her team have developed a community care model for persons with dementia and their caregivers living in rural areas since 2002 - the model of "Dementia Service Centers". Within this care model, early disease detection, counselling, stage specific training and guidance throughout the disease is offered for persons with dementia and their support providers. A longitudinal data base is connected to this project since 2002, collecting baseline and follow up data on persons with cognitive deficits and persons with dementia.

Dr. Auer has received several National Grants from "Fonds Gesundes Österreich", the Austrian National Bank, The Austrian Science Fonds (FWF)

and the County of Upper Austria. The work of the team is supported by the Austrian Ministry for Social Affairs for several years in sequence. Currently, she and her team are participating in three Active and Assisted Living Programme projects funded by the European commission. Dr Auer initiated a University Master course for "Dementia Studies" in 2009 at the Danube University in Krems and she is directing this Master course. Dr. Auer is a member of the pan-European research network Interdem.

## **Summit 11 Registration Information**

- Summit Registration will begin the week of August 20th with an invitation to register email sent directly to you. If you know of someone interested in attending please let us know we will try to accommodate as many participants as we can. Please call Debra Morgan at 306-966-7905 or Duane Minish at 306-966-4098.
- We invite and encourage all Summit participants to include a **poster or display** in the Tuesday night poster session on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. It is an excellent opportunity to share what you are doing with other participants and the opportunity to present is open to ALL attendees: students, researchers, and those who work in the field.
- More information about Poster Presentation details, including submission deadlines, and information about student poster printing is available online at www.ruraldementiacare.usask.ca/presenters
- Agenda items are being finalized. A draft agenda will be sent to registered attendees when available.
- Our guest room block, with preferred rate starting at \$114 per night at Four Points by Sheraton is only available until September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please book your hotel room early to avoid disappointment.
- Other questions about Summit? Please get in touch with Duane or Debra or email: rural.dementia@usask.ca

**NOTE:** We invite and welcome posters, or other types of displays, from community members as well as researchers. We're happy to assist you to share information about your project and work! Poster layout and editing assistance, large-format printing if needed, small display tables, just ask!

#### Summit 11 is a green event, please bring your laptop or tablet!

All Summit 11 handouts, slide sets, and booklets will be distributed as digital files to save paper resources. We will provide a print agenda for the day on the 24th, but all other documents will be available for download as pdfs. To access them:

visit: http://tiny.cc/Summit\_11 and enter password (case sensitive): radar

As of August, 2018 there are few files in the Summit 11 folder, but more documents will be added in October. (Users behind some types of firewalls may not be able to access this shortened address, if you have any problems accessing Summit resources please get in touch with duane.minish@usask.ca).

### Summit 10 Final Report Online



The Summit 10 **Final Report**, and a **photo gallery** of photos taken during the event are available on the RaDAR Team website.

Find it at www.ruraldementiacare.usask.ca under the **Summit** tab.

#### We want to hear from you!

Do you have news to share with
Network Members at Summit 11 or do
you know of someone doing
interesting work in the field of Rural
Dementia Care who should be asked to
attend?
Please let us know
debra.morgan@usask.ca
or phone
306-966-7905.