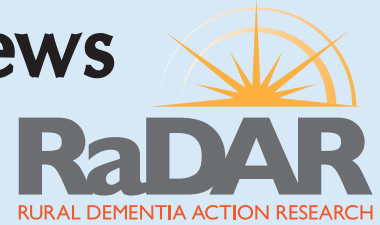




# Summit Update and News

for the RaDAR Knowledge Network in Rural and Remote Dementia Care



Summer 2019

Summit 12 will take place on **Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, the 6<sup>th</sup>** in Saskatoon. Our venue will be Butler Byers Hall at the Western Development Museum (WDM) at 2610 Lorne Avenue.



**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit  
Saskatoon, SK**

**Western Development Museum**

Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The evening of Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> will be co-hosted with Alzheimer Society of Saskatchewan as an informal scientific poster Spotlight on Research evening from 6:30 to 9:00 pm, with a brief program at 7:30 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 program will feature a presentation by Dr. Saskia Sivananthan, Chief Research and KTE Officer, Alzheimer Society of Canada. The Summit meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am until about 4:00 pm. The Summit day will feature keynote presenter Dr. Rachel Herron from Brandon University, knowledge sharing, research presentations, and dedicated time for participants to meet and network.



## November 6<sup>th</sup>, Summit Keynote Presenter: Dr. Rachel Herron

Dr. Rachel Herron, the Keynote presenter on November 6<sup>th</sup>, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography and Environment at Brandon University and a Canada Research Chair in Rural and Remote Mental Health. Her current research examines the vulnerability and complexity of care relationships, social inclusion and meaningful engagement for people living with dementia, and the diversity of lived experiences of rural mental health.

Dr. Herron is the founding Director of the Centre for Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health where she works with other researchers, professionals, students and community partners to develop community-based solutions to rural mental health needs. Dr. Herron's recent collaborative work involves a partnership with Canada's National Ballet School, the Alzheimer's Society, and other rural community partners to investigate the potential of an innovative program, Baycrest NBS Sharing Dance Seniors, to enhance social inclusion and quality of life for people living with dementia and their carers. Ultimately, Dr. Herron's work seeks to create more supportive environments for people living with dementia and their carers.



## November 5<sup>th</sup>, Poster Session Spotlight on Research guest speaker: Dr. Saskia Sivananthan



Dr. Saskia Sivananthan, PhD, is a neuroscientist and health data scientist who provides overall leadership to the research & KTE programs and initiatives at the Alzheimer Society of Canada. She has extensive experience in health system development working with governments on health services, policy and strategies to improve health for older adults. Prior to her current position, Dr. Sivananthan served as a senior strategy advisor, consulting for the World Health Organization on its overall global dementia strategy. She co-drafted the WHO's Global Action Plan on the Public Health Response to Dementia which received unanimous support and was adopted at the 170th World Health Assembly by all 194 member states. She and her team were also responsible for developing the WHO Global Dementia Observatory, an online platform for collating data to support countries to develop evidence-based policies in dementia and monitoring progress toward targets proposed in the dementia action plan. An active researcher, Saskia holds a PhD from the School of Population and Public Health from the University of British Columbia and an MSc in Neurology and Neuroscience from McGill

## Summit 12 Registration Information

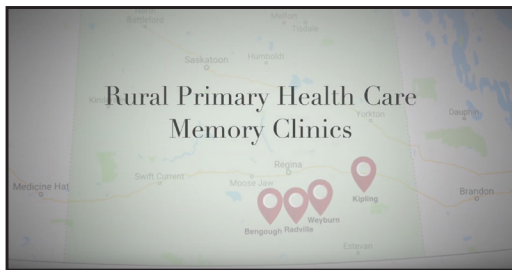
- Summit Registration begins the last week of August with **an invitation to register email sent directly to you**. If you know of someone interested in attending please let us know - we will try to accommodate as many participants as we can. Please call Debra Morgan at 306-966-7905 or Duane Minish at 306-966-4098.
- We invite and encourage all Summit participants to include a **poster or display** in the Tuesday night poster session on November 5<sup>th</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](http://www.ruraldementiacare.usask.ca/presenters)
- Other **questions about Summit?** Please get in touch with Duane or Debra or email: [rural.dementia@usask.ca](mailto: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 12 is a green event, please bring your laptop or tablet!*

All Summit handouts, slide sets, and information will be distributed as digital files to save paper resources. We will provide a print agenda for the day on the 6<sup>th</sup>, but all other documents will be available for download. To access them visit: [http://tiny.cc/Summit\\_12](http://tiny.cc/Summit_12)

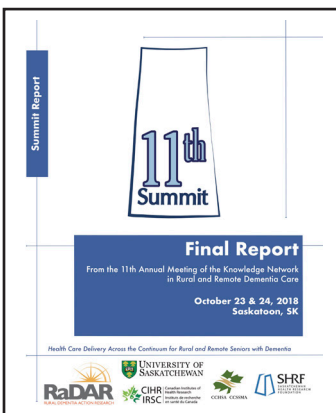
As of August, 2019 there are few files in the Summit 12 folder, but more documents will be added in November before the meeting. (Users behind some types of firewalls may not be able to access this shortened address, if you have any problems accessing Summit resources please get in touch with [duane.minish@usask.ca](mailto:duane.minish@usask.ca) ).



### RaDAR Team Update

The RaDAR team has produced two videos to highlight the new Rural Primary Health Care Memory Clinics created in partnership with the RaDAR team. Visit our team website and go to the **Rural PHC Memory Clinics** tab at [www.ruraldementiacare.usask.ca](http://www.ruraldementiacare.usask.ca)

### Summit 11 Final Report Online



The Summit 11 **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](http://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 12 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  
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