



Indigenous Health Practice
and Research
CONFERENCE
—Building on Our Roots—

DETAILED POSTER BOARD DESCRIPTIONS

Wednesday October 18, 2017 10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

#	Title	Facilitators	Description
1	Indigenous Mothers' Experiences of Using Health Services in Hamilton to meet the Health Needs of their infants: Preliminary Findings	Amy Wright, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Rachel Bomberly, Research Assistant	This qualitative study seeks to understand how Indigenous mothers who are living in Hamilton, Ontario, engage with health services to meet the health needs of their infants. Using Interpretive Description (ID), interviews facilitated by ecomaps, and a discussion group are both used to collect data relating to which health services are used in the city and why, the experiences of mothers using these health services, and suggestions for how health services might better meet the needs of Indigenous mothers and infants living in Hamilton. Using the Two-Eyed Seeing framework, the study has been collaboratively developed and conducted with community partners and an Indigenous Research Assistant, to ensure it is respectful of Indigenous ways of knowing, and that the best of both Indigenous and Western worldviews are considered during analysis. The knowledge gained through this study will help to inform health service delivery aimed at improving the access and experience of health service use for Indigenous mothers and infants. Improved access to health care is one important way to assist in improving health outcomes for Indigenous infants and their families.
2	Promoting a Decolonized Model of Type 2 Diabetes Care	Roger Pilon, Assistant Professor/Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner	I will share the findings from my doctoral dissertation in which I conducted a grounded theory study along the North Shore of Lake Huron exploring the impact of colonization on the experience of living with type 2 diabetes.
3	Principles, Approaches, and Methods for Program Evaluation in Indigenous Contexts: Results from a Scoping Review of the Grey Literature and Consultation with Key Informants	Kriti Chandna, Research Assistant Dr. Heather Manson, Chief Health Promotion, Chronic	This poster describes a study conducted as part of Public Health Ontario's community-partnered evaluation of the Healthy Kids Community Challenge Aboriginal Stream and the CIHR-funded "Clearing Pathways for Indigenous Health Equity" program at

		Disease and Injury Prevention	Well Living House. The objectives of this study were to: (1) conduct a scoping review of the grey literature to identify principles, methods, and approaches to Indigenous health service or program evaluation, reported in a 15-year period in Canada, USA, New Zealand, and Australia; and, (2) consult with Indigenous experts to validate and enrich interpretation of preliminary findings; identify knowledge gaps; and, initiate discussion around knowledge dissemination.
4	Water is Life: The Challenges Preventing Safe Drinking Water Within Indigenous communities	Charles Paco, Masters of Population Medicine (Epidemiology) student	A poster presentation exploring the unsafe drinking water (boil water advisories) within Canada's Indigenous reserves. The poster will contain major findings from my research: sociocultural/ health/ policy challenges causing unsafe drinking water.
5	Creating a welcome place for Indigenous Families at McMaster Children's Hospital	Dr. Peter Fitzgerald, President, McMaster Children's Hospital Cynthia Janzen, Manager Stakeholder Relations, Hamilton Health Sciences	Hamilton Health Sciences is creating "Makayla's Room", a dedicated culturally safe place at the Children's Hospital where First Nations culture can be both celebrated and integrated into treatment.
6	Beauty From Ashes (TBC)	Cheryl Hankard	
7	Socio-ecologic and historical impacts on traditional food systems in Southwestern Ontario: Experiences of Elders on and off reserve. (TBC)	Hannah Tait Neufeld, Assistant Professor, University of Guelph	Processes of migration and environmental dispossession have historically separated Indigenous peoples from their lands. These processes have had a direct impact on traditional food systems in terms of access and the transmission of Indigenous knowledge required for the continued survival of these complex social ecologies. Eighteen female Elders living on and off-reserve participated life history interviews and their experiences will be shared in the form of an ecological model.