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### NSHRF NEWS

#### Changing Deadlines - Student Research Awards Competition

Effective December 2008, the NSHRF Student Research Awards Competition deadlines are changing.

#### Competition Milestones

- Student Research Awards Requirement document will be released in October 2008
- Registration deadline is **December 1, 2008**
- Application deadline is **January 15, 2009**
- Competition results will be announced by **March 31, 2009**

Please refer to our website in **October 2008** for up-to-date program information as well as registration and application forms.

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#### Research Capacity Awards

Application forms for the 2008-09 Research Capacity Awards are now available. Those who intend to submit an application must do so by the dates below:

##### Research Skills Award

Application Deadline: October 1, 2008 - October 22, 2008.

##### Proposal Development Award

Applications will be accepted at any time during the year.

##### Special Consideration Award

Application Deadline: October 1, 2008 - October 22, 2008.

The 2008-09 Capacity Program Description document as well as the Application Forms can be downloaded off our web site at <http://www.nshrf.ca/AbsPage.aspx?ID=1182&siteid=1&lang=1>

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#### Competitive Capacity Grants

The Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation is now accepting registrations for the 2008-09 Competitive Capacity Grants (Community Research Alliance, Development Innovative, Team Development and NSHRF Sponsored Workshop).

Researchers who intend to submit an application should note that registration and application deadlines have changed for the 2008-09 Competitive Capacity Grants.

**Registration:** Monday, November 3, 2008  
**Application:** Wednesday, January 7, 2009

Applicants should read the *2008-09 Capacity Program Description* document in full, paying particular attention to the "New This Year" section before submitting an application.

The *2008-09 Capacity Program Description* document as well as Registration and Application forms can be downloaded directly at the following link:

<http://www.nshrf.ca/AbsPage.aspx?ID=1182&siteid=1&lang=1>

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### **7th Annual Canadian Cochrane Symposium – Call for Abstracts**

Abstracts and workshop proposals are invited for the 7th Annual Canadian Cochrane Symposium, being held in Halifax, Nova Scotia on March 11 and 12, 2009. The theme of the 2009 Symposium is - Wave to the Future: Navigating the Health Connection among Systematic Reviews, Policies and Practices. All submissions relating to the Symposium's theme will be considered. Presentations from all interested parties are welcome (students, consumers, practitioners, policy makers, review authors and researchers).

For deadlines and further information, please visit the Symposium's Website:

<http://www.wavetothefuture.ca>

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### **Research Breakfast Series**

The Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation (NSHRF) is pleased to announce the launch of a bimonthly breakfast series focusing on emerging technologies and techniques in knowledge transfer/exchange. This series will be of interest to researchers looking for new ways of thinking about sharing knowledge and disseminating research findings.

The inaugural breakfast will be held October 8th, 2008 from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. at Saint Mary's University, Loyola Private Dining Room, with Jacqueline Tetroe, Senior Advisor, Knowledge Translation Portfolio, from CIHR. Ms. Tetroe will be speaking about Knowledge Translation (KT) from CIHR's perspective and provide tips on how to approach an effective KT plan.

To register for this breakfast please contact Linda Waterhouse at [linda.waterhouse@gov.ns.ca](mailto:linda.waterhouse@gov.ns.ca) or by phone at 424-4537.

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### **NSHRF Strategic Workshop**

The Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation is pleased to present the following workshop: Collaboration across Cultures: The roles researchers, government and community groups play in collaborative health research, November 25, 2008.

The purpose of this workshop is to bring together representatives from academic research, clinical practice, community organizations and government to explore ways to collaborate in order to pursue health research activities.

- 1) To gain a better understanding of the working environments for academic and clinical researchers, clinicians, community organizations and government.
- 2) To explore facilitators and barriers to collaborative health research.
- 3) To generate a list of recommendations that will support the production and use of collaborative health research in Nova Scotia

There will be no charge for participation in this workshop.

For more information or to apply, please contact Marie Deveau Wournell at [Marie.Deveau@gov.ns.ca](mailto:Marie.Deveau@gov.ns.ca) or 902-424-4043.

Application forms and additional information is available on our website: [www.nshrf.ca](http://www.nshrf.ca).

Application deadline is **November 8, 2008**.

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## IN PROFILE: NOVA SCOTIA RESEARCH

### Improving Cardiac Outcomes for People with Diabetes

Investigator: Lawrence Title  
Interventional Cardiologist, Division of Cardiology  
Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre  
Professor, Vascular and Interventional Research, Dalhousie University

Heart attacks and other heart conditions are related to the narrowing of coronary arteries. In recent years, percutaneous coronary interventions (PCIs) designed to treat this narrowing have advanced. These interventions include the use of stents that release medication and prevent clogging of the arteries.

However, the effectiveness of PCIs is limited for people with diabetes, whose arteries are more likely to narrow around the stent making repeat coronary episodes and additional procedures more likely. Lawrence Title looked at a new method for protecting diabetics who have had PCIs in a recent study funded by the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation.

For more information, visit: <http://www.nshrf.ca/AbsPage.aspx?ID=1288&siteid=1&lang=1>

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Looking for a colleague, possible collaborator, or expert source of information? Find them through the Nova Scotia Directory of Health Researchers, available online at the NSHRF website!

If you are a Nova Scotian researcher working in a discipline either directly or indirectly related to health, please take a minute to add your name to the roster through your Canadian Common CV.

Visit [www.nshrf.ca](http://www.nshrf.ca) and click on the link on the left side of our home page for easy step-by-step instructions.

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