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## NSHRF NEWS

### Season's Greetings

2010 has been a big year for the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation (NSHRF). It marked our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary – a decade of leading and succeeding. We've come a long way from being an office of two. The Foundation is now 16 strong and we're continuing to support health research in the province, and providing a voice for Nova Scotian health researchers nationally and internationally.

All of us at the NSHRF would like to thank you for your support over the past 10 years. We look forward to the next 10 and continuing to see health research in Nova Scotia grow.

Here's wishing you the best of the season.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Keista Connell'.

and the NSHRF team

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### 2009 – 10 Annual Report

The 2009 – 10 Annual Report is now available on our [website](#). The report, 10 years – a decade of leading and succeeding highlights the 2009 – 10 fiscal year, our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, and milestones from the past ten years.

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### Update on Student Funding Opportunities

We would like to clarify the status of the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation's (NSHRF) funding for research trainee opportunities. As most of you are aware, we are currently examining our approach to funding research trainees. Over the past few months we have held a number of consultations with stakeholders and have reviewed how other research funding organizations support research trainees. Based on this information, we are currently redesigning our research trainee programs. The newly designed programs that support research training opportunities will be announced in January 2011. Please continue to check our [website](#) for further information.

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## Call for Peer Reviewers

We are currently accepting nominations for the 2011 Peer Review Committees. Our Biomedical Peer Review Committee and the Health Policy, Health Services, Health Outcomes Peer Review Committee review applications for funding. Further information on the Peer Review Committees and the nomination process can be found on our [home](#) page.

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## IN PROFILE: NOVA SCOTIA RESEARCH

### **An Evidence-based Health Communication Program for Driving Cessation in Dementia**

Investigator: Dr. Paige Moorhouse  
Dalhousie University

Currently in Nova Scotia, over 5,000 people with Alzheimer's disease continue to drive. Alzheimer's disease impacts driving affecting attention, reaction time, judgment, and coordination. Although those with mild dementia may be safe to continue driving for some time, almost one half of those diagnosed with dementia will have a motor vehicle accident in the first five years following their diagnosis.

Dr. Moorhouse has developed a public service announcement campaign (PSA) about driving safety in Alzheimer's disease to increase awareness of the problem and help caregivers understand that they can help facilitate their loved one's transition to driving cessation.

To see the PSA and to learn more about the study please visit [www.notifbutwhen.ca](http://www.notifbutwhen.ca).

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Looking for a colleague, possible collaborator, or expert source of information? Take a look 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](#).

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