

2024 CLINICAL TRIALS TRAINING SUMMIT

Mastering Excellence through
Innovative Competency Training

13-15
FEBRUARY
2024
Palais des Congrès,
Montréal



10 PLENARY SESSIONS • 4 WORKSHOPS • 3 KEYNOTE ADDRESSES
38 SPEAKERS • 2 PANELS • 70 POSTER AWARDEES COMPETITION

In person

3 days at Palais des Congrès
in Montreal



Live streaming

Live streaming of keynote addresses,
talks and workshops available for all 3
days

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OVERVIEW

Four Clinical Trials Training Programs (CTTPs) are uniting to present the 1st National Clinical Trials Summit focusing on innovative experiential learning and mentorship approaches for a wide variety of learners, including patient and community partners.

HIGHLIGHTS

Keynote addresses, invited guest speakers, panel discussions and workshops will present leading ideas in clinical trials and clinical research training.

AWARDEES POSTERS

All 2023-24 Studentship competition awardees are invited to prepare a poster based on their application. One Best Poster prize will be awarded in each of the Master's, doctoral and postdoctoral trainee categories. More instructions to follow.

SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY 2024

11:00AM REGISTRATION
WELCOME LUNCH

Foyer
Room 511

PLENARY SESSION 1
PATIENT ENGAGEMENT AND PATIENT CENTRICITY IN CLINICAL TRIALS

Room 510

1:00PM WELCOME SPEECH



Pr. Jean Bourbeau, MD, MSc, FRCPC,
FCAHS
Nominated Principal Applicant and
National Lead, CANTRAIN
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1:10PM OPENING REMARKS



Co-Chair
Linda Hunter, RN, MScN, PhD(c)
National Coordinator, Community
Partners Stream, CANTRAIN
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Co-Chair
Christine Fahim, PhD, MSc
Scientist, St. Michael's Hospital, Unity
Health Toronto
[GG](#)

1:15PM TALK 1

Bright Future: Training Tomorrow's Leaders in Patient Research Partnerships



Speaker (Live Streaming)
Pr. Linda Li, BSc(PT), PhD, FCAHS
Professor, Department of Physical Therapy, University of British Columbia
Harold Robinson/Arthritis Society Chair in Arthritic Diseases
Canada Research Chair (Tier II) in Patient-Oriented Knowledge Translation
Director, Arthritis, Joint Health & Knowledge Translation Research Program
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2:00PM TALK 2

Marginalization and Equity in Research



Speaker
Ika Washington, PhD(c)
Health & Social Development Consultant
[GG](#)

3:00PM BREAK

Enjoy viewing the awardees posters of the 2023-24 competition

Foyer

3:30PM TALK 3

How We Can Make Clinical Trials More Patient Centric



Speaker
Dr. Natalie Coburn, MD, MPH
Senior Scientist, Sunnybrook Health
Sciences Centre
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4:30PM BREAK

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PLENARY SESSION 2

ENGAGING PATIENTS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN THE CONDUCT OF CLINICAL TRIALS

Room 511

7:00PM TALK 4/ KEYNOTE ADDRESS & DINNER

The Future of Clinical Trials: Patient and Community Partners Perspectives

**Keynote Speaker**

André Pierre Picard, PhD, OC
Health reporter and columnist,
The Globe and Mail



7:30PM PANEL DISCUSSION

**Chair**

Linda Hunter, RN, MScN, PhD(c)
National Coordinator, Community
Partners Stream, CANTRAIN

**Moderator**

André Pierre Picard, PhD, OC
Health reporter and columnist,
The Globe and Mail



Panelists



Maureen Smith, M.Ed.
Patient Partner, Adjunct Professor,
University of Toronto Dalla Lana School
of Public Health; ACT Consortium, Patient
Engagement & Training Committees
member; Co-lead INFORM RARE Patient
Engagement; IMPaCT patient partner



Ika Washington, PhD(c)
Health & Social Development
Consultant



Dr. Natalie Coburn, MD, MPH
Senior Scientist, Sunnybrook Health
Sciences Centre



Saeideh Mayanloo, BSc, CCRC
Site Engagement Lead
AstraZeneca



Alex Haagaard, MDes
Equity-Centered Design Strategist, Patient
Partner, Pain BC, Co-Chair, Knowledge
Mobilization and Implementation Science
Committee, Chronic Pain Network



Jennifer Monaghan, BA, LLB
Patient Partner; STROKE-
COG Executive Committee



Dr. Shurjeel Choudhri BSc(med), MD,
FRCPC
SVP and Head, Medical & Scientific Affairs,
Pharmaceuticals, Bayer Inc.



9:00PM SPECIAL EVENT

Room 511

Honoring Graduate and Postdoctoral Trainees Recipients of the 2023-24 Awards Programs

Masters of Ceremony



Dr. Bruno Battistini, BSc, MSc, PhD
National Executive Director
& Chief Operating Officer,
CANTRAIN



Farrell Leibovitch, MSc
Platform Director, StrokeCog Clinical
Trials Training Program



Jasmine Grant, M.ED, HBHSc., CCRP
Clinical Research Manager, University
Health Network, Manager, CAN-TAP-
TALENT



Dr. Sharmistha Biswas, MBBS, MBA, MSc,
PhD(c)
Manager, Awards & Internships
Programs,
CANTRAIN





PLENARY SESSION 3 Room 510
EDUCATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS TRAINING

8:30AM **OPENING REMARKS**



Co-Chair
Dr Sandra Peláez, BEdPsy., MSc, PhD
National Director, Clinical Trials
Training Programs' Streams,
CANTRAIN
GD



Co-Chair
Michael Voth, CQA
Senior Manager, Clinical Research
Quality and Compliance, Pride in
Patient Engagement in Research,
UHN - University Health Network,
CAN-TAP-TALENT GD

8:40AM **TALK 5**

**From Theory to Practice:
Development and Implementation of the JTF:
Joint Task Force for Clinical Trial Competency
Framework**



Keynote Speaker
Pr. Barbara Bierer, BSc, MD
Faculty Director, Multi- Regional
Clinical Trials Center of Brigham
and Women's Hospital and Harvard
University;
Director, Regulatory Foundations,
Ethics and Law Program, Harvard
Clinical and Translational Science
Center
GD GD GD

PLENARY SESSION 4 Room 512-DH
WHY DIVERSITY MATTERS

8:30AM



Chair
Richard Swartz, MD, PhD, FRCPC
Clinician-Scientist, Sunnybrook
Research Institute, Associate
Professor, University of Toronto GD

OPENING REMARKS



Dr. Jodi Edwards, PhD
Scientist and Director, Brain and
Heart Nexus Research Program,
University of Ottawa Heart Institute;
National Lead STROKE-COG
GD

8:45AM **TALK 6**

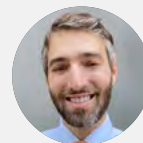
The Value in Diversity



Speaker
Dr. Catherine Tsilfidis, PhD
Senior Scientist, Neuroscience
Program, Ottawa Hospital Research
Institute
GD

9:30AM **TALK 7**

Why Diverse Trial Populations Matter



Speaker
Dr. Aaron Schwartz, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department of
Medical Ethics and Health Policy,
Perelman School of Medicine at the
University of Pennsylvania GD

9:40AM **TALK 8**

From the grant to the field. Challenges of developing an innovative curriculum for clinical trials



CANTRAIN Speakers

- Sandra Pelaez, National Director, Clinical Trials Training Programs' Streams
- Christina Farant, National Coordinator, Graduate and Postdoctoral Trainee Stream
- Monique Ostrout, National Coordinator, Clinical Research Professionals Stream
- Katie Bainbridge, National Coordinator, Trialists Stream
- Linda Hunter, National Coordinator, Clinical Research Professionals Stream
- Mei Li, Quebec Institutional Clinical Research Educator
- Caroline Buote, National Programs' Designer & Developer of CTTTP
- Dan Lafreniere, Nova Scotia Clinical Research Educator



10:30AM **BREAK**

Enjoy viewing the awardees posters of the 2023-24 competition

Foyer

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11:00AM **TALK 9**

Crafting a Common Language: Standardized Role Profiles for Clinical Research Professionals in Canada



Speaker

Munaza Jamil
McMaster Continuing Education's instructors, Faculty, Applied Clinical Research Program, McMaster University



11:00AM **TALK 10**

Recommendations for Incorporating Diversity into Clinical Trials



Speaker (Live Streaming)

Dr. Ruth Ann Marrie, MD, PhD, FRCPC, FCAHS
Professor of Medicine & Community Health Sciences, Max Rady College of Medicine, University of Manitoba



12:00PM **LUNCH BREAK**

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Room 511

PLENARY SESSION 5
EDUCATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS TRAINING -
PART 2

Room
510

1:00PM WORKSHOP 2

Curriculum development in the context of clinical trials competency-based programs

Speakers



Dr. Sandra Peláez, BEdPsy., MSc, PhD
National Director, Clinical Trials
Training Programs' Streams,
CANTRAIN



Mei Li, BN, MHM
Quebec Institutional Clinical
Research Educator, CANTRAIN



Linda Hunter, RN, MScN, PhD(c)
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Michael Voth, CQA
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Andrea Dean
Research Education Program
Manager - Nova Scotia Health
Authority



2:45PM CLOSING REMARKS



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3:00PM BREAK

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PLENARY SESSION 6
PATIENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN
CLINICAL TRIALS

Room
512-DH

1:00PM



Chair

Dr. Brodie Sakakibara, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department
of Occupational Science and
Occupational Therapy, University of
British Columbia



TALK 11

Inclusive Knowledge Translation Strategies



Speaker

Dr. Melissa Brouwers, PhD
Professor and Director, School of
Epidemiology and Public Health,
University of Ottawa



2:00PM WORKSHOP 3

**Data Management:
Engaging Communities for FAIR data use**



Speaker

Dr. Kelly Cobey, PhD, MRes, HBSc
Scientist and Adjunct Professor,
School of Epidemiology and Public
Health, University of Ottawa.



Foyer

PLENARY SESSION 7
EXPERIENTIAL MENTORING OPTIMIZATION
OF CLINICAL TRIALS TRAINING

Room
510

3:30PM



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National Director, Mentorship
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Jasmine Grant, M.ED, HBHSc., CCRP
Clinical Research Manager, University
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OPENING REMARKS



Speaker

Pr. Angela Cheung, MD, PhD, FRCPC
Professor of Medicine, University of
Toronto, Nominated Principal
Investigator and National Lead, CAN-
TAP-TALENT



3:45PM **TALK 12**

**De-monopolizing Knowledge in Communities of
Practice with Case-Based Learning:
All teach, all learn**



Speaker (Live Streaming)

Dr. Andrea Furlan, MD, PhD
Physician-Scientist, UHN - Toronto
Rehabilitation Institute, CAN-TAP-
TALENT



4:45PM **TALK 13**

**Supporting accessibility, diversity and equity in a
mentorship program**

Speakers



Dr. Suzanne Morin, MD, M.Sc., FRCPC,
FACP
Director, Department of Medicine,
Division of Internal Medicine, McGill
University



(Live Streaming)
Damaris Javier, MA
Co-Investigator, National Research
Mentoring Network- Resource
Center (NRMN-RC)...



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National Director, Mentorship
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CANTRAIN



5:30PM

**ATTENDEES HAVE A FREE EVENING TO DISCOVER MONTREAL.
GO OUT, CONNECT AND NETWORK WITH PEERS, INDUSTRY AND REGULATORY EXPERTS, AND
POTENTIAL COLLABORATORS.**

3:30PM

PANEL DISCUSSION

**Persons With Lived/Living Experience (PWLE)
and Clinical Trials – as Patient Partners on Your
Research Team and as Participants in Your Research
Studies**



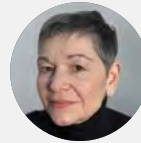
Chair

Dr. Nishita Singh, MSc, MD, FRCPC,
FCSC-Scholar
Stroke Neurologist & Assistant
Professor, Max Rady College
of Medicine, Internal Medicine,
University of Manitoba



Panelist

Dr. Jodi Edwards, PhD
Scientist and Director, Brain and
Heart Nexus Research Program,
University of Ottawa Heart Institute;
National Lead STROKE-COG



Panelist

Patricia Bukowsky, B. Comm.
Community Partner, Montreal, QC



Panelist

Jennifer Monaghan, BA, LLB
Community Partner, Kelowna, BC



4:30PM

WORKSHOP 4

Patient Oriented Outcomes

Speakers



Dr. Annie LeBlanc, B.A, MSc, PhD
Associate Professor, Faculty of
Medicine, Laval University



Yvonne Pelling
Patient and Community
Engagement Lead, Passerelle
National Training Entity



THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY, 2024

7:30AM BREAKFAST Salle 511
Enjoy viewing the posters of the 2023-24 competition awardees

8:00AM CANTRAIN, CAN-TAP-TALENT and StrokeCog Special Meeting Room 510
for Awardees and Supervisors Only.



Speaker
Dr. Lisa Goos, BScH, BEd, MA, PhD
National Director, Mentorship Program and Experiential Learning, CANTRAIN



PLENARY ROOM



ROOM

PLENARY SESSION 8 Room 510
KEYNOTES FROM CIHR-CTTP

8:30AM OPENING REMARKS



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Jasmine Grant, M.ED, HBHSc., CCRP
Clinical Research Manager, University Health Network, Manager, CAN-TAP-TALENT

8:45AM TALK 15

Pragmatic lessons in the design of advanced clinical trials



Speaker
Dr Kieran Quinn, MD, PhD
Clinician-Scientist, Sinai Health, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, Adjunct Scientist, ICES; Clinical trials Co-lead, Pan-Canadian Palliative Care Research Collaborative

9:45AM TALK 17

The Art of Biostatistics in Clinical Trials



Speaker
Anna Heath, MMath, PhD
Scientist, Child Health and Evaluative Sciences Program, SickKids Research Institute; Assistant Professor Division of Biostatistics, University of Toronto

PLENARY SESSION 9 Room 512-DH
TRIAL PLANNING STRATEGIES

8:30AM



Chair
Dr. Jodi Edwards, PhD
Scientist and Director, Brain and Heart Nexus Research Program, University of Ottawa Heart Institute; National Lead STROKE-COG

TALK 14

Non-Conventional Trial Designs in Stroke



Speaker
Dr. Bijoy Menon, MD, Dm, MSc, FRCPC
Professor of Neurology, Calgary Stroke Program, Department of Clinical Neurosciences, University of Alberta

9:30AM TALK 16

Engaging Indigenous Communities in Clinical Trials




Speaker
Dr. Wayne Clark, EdD, MA, BBA
Executive Director, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, University of Alberta

10:45AM **BREAK** Foyer
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11:15AM **TALK 19**
Increasing capacity for Maternal and Paediatric Clinical Trials in Canada

Speaker (Live Streaming)
Dr. Lauren Kelly, MSc, PhD, CCRP
National Principal Applicant, IMPact, Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, University of Manitoba
GD


11:15AM **TALK 18**
Collaborative Data Portal & StrokeCog Planning for the Future

Speaker
Dr. Jodi Edwards, PhD
Scientist and Director, Brain and Heart Nexus Research Program, University of Ottawa Heart Institute; National Lead STROKE-COG
GD

12:15PM **LUNCH BREAK** Room 511
Enjoy viewing the awardees posters of the 2023-24 competition

12:15PM **LAUNCH OF CANTRAIN'S RENEWED STRATEGIC PLAN** Room 511



PLENARY SESSION 10 Room 510
WHY ALL TRIALS ARE BEHAVIOURAL TRIALS

1:30PM **OPENING REMARKS**

Chair
Pr. Kim Lavoie, PhD, FCPA, FABMR
Professor & Chair of Behavioral Medicine, University of Quebec at Montreal
GD


1:40PM **TALK 20**
Towards an integrated framework for designing and testing interventions targeting physical activity, diet, and other health risk behaviours: why some of the major trials have 'failed' and how we can do better

Speaker
Pr. Simon Bacon, PhD, FTOS, FCCS, FABMR
CBITN Nominated National Applicant & National Lead, Professor and CIHR SPOR Chair in Innovative, Patient-Oriented, Behavioural Clinical Trials, Health, Kinesiology and Applied Physiology
GD

2:30PM **TALK 21**
Why should we care about implementation science in health-related research

Keynote Speaker
Pr. Genevieve Rouleau, MSc, PhD
Département des sciences infirmières
UQO- Campus de Saint-Jérôme
GD GD

3:15PM **BREAK** Foyer
Enjoy viewing the awardees posters of the 2023-24 competition


3:30PM **TALK 22**
How clinical trials can benefit from incorporating a behavioural science perspective: challenges and opportunities

Speaker
Pr. Michael Vallis, PhD, R.Psych.
Associated Professor, Family Medicine, Dalhousie University
GD

4:30PM

AWARDEES POSTER PRIZE CEREMONY




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Manager, Awards & Internships
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4:50PM

CLOSING REMARKS



Speaker

Pr. Jean Bourbeau, MD, MSc, FRCPC, FCAHS
Nominated Principal Applicant and National Lead, CANTRAIN
  

5:00PM

THE 1ST NATIONAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS CLOSED.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION AND ATTENTION.
WISHING YOU SAFE TRAVEL AND TO REMAIN ENGAGED.

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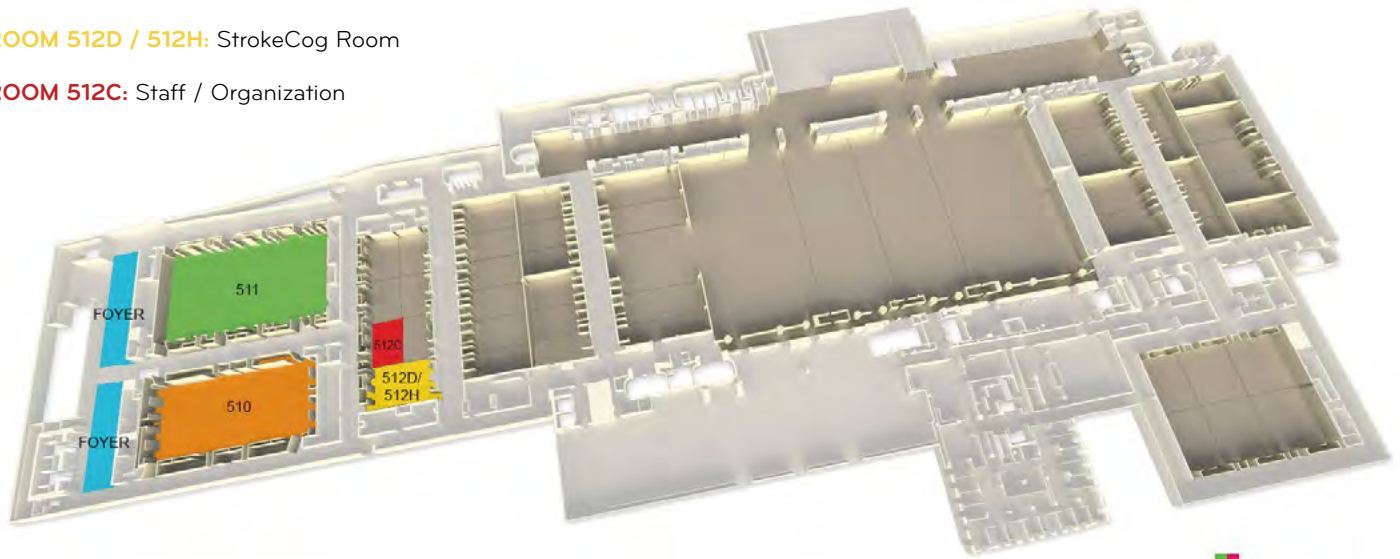
FOYER : Registration

ROOM 511: Restaurant (Breakfasts, Cocktail, Breaks, Lunches and Dinner)

ROOM 510: Plenary Room

ROOM 512D / 512H: StrokeCog Room

ROOM 512C: Staff / Organization



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