



PHABC NEWSLETTER

June 2011

2011 Summer School

Registration now
open!

July 5th – 8th
4 Sites: UBC, UVic,
UNBC, UBC
Okanagan

Topics:
Advocacy and
Health Literacy

Register on-line at:
www.phabc.org

2011 PHABC Summer School

Featured Speakers – Two-day Advocacy
Session (July 5/6)

Stephen Corber,
PHABC Summer School Co-Chair,
Trevor Hancock, Public Health
Consultant, BC Ministry of Health,
Brian Emerson, Medical Consultant, BC
Ministry of Health,
Adrienne Montani, Provincial
Coordinator, First Call: BC Child and
Youth Advocacy Coalition,
Theresa Healy, Regional Manager -
Healthy Community Development,
Northern Health,
Michael Pennock, Population Health
Epidemiologist, Vancouver Island Health
Authority,
Seth Klein, Director, Canadian Centre for
Policy Alternatives,
Ted Bruce, Executive Director,
Population Health - Acting Director,
Aboriginal Health,
Susan Papadionissiou, Consultant, Early
Child Development, Learning & Care,
Kamala Sproule, Community
Development Coordinator, Burnaby
Early Child Development Community
Table,
Loraina Stephen, Population Health
Dietician, Northern Health.

Featured Topics

Advocacy: What is it? What makes it
successful?

Panel discussion: Approaches to
advocacy for Public Health Practitioners
Evidence and Advocacy - Collecting and
applying data Advocacy and Policy

(Poverty) Advocacy in the Community (Early
Child Development, Food Security)

Featured Speakers - Two-day Health Literacy
Session (July 7/8)

Leona Gadsby, PHABC Summer School Co-
Chair; Director of Programs and Services,
Decoda Literacy Solutions,
Irving Rootman, PHABC Summer School Co-
Chair,
Sandy Vamos, Centre for Chronic Disease
Prevention and Control, Public Health Agency
of Canada,
Jim Frankish, Professor, UBC School of
Population and Public Health,
Connie Coniglio, Director, Health Literacy at
BC Mental Health and Addiction Services
Mridula Morgan, Program Coordinator, BC
Mental Health and Addiction Services,
Deborah Linthout, Community Coach, BC
Mental Health and Addiction Services
Dan Reist, Assistant Director, Knowledge
Exchange, BC Centre for Addictions Research,
Arthur Kube, Council of Senior Citizens
Organizations of BC,
Sheila Pither, Council of Senior Citizens
Organizations of BC,
Julie Rioux, Literacy Coordinator, Tri-Cities
Community Literacy,
Connie Davis, Senior Faculty - Patients as
Partners, Impact BC,
Dace Starr, Librarian - Special Projects,
Richmond Public Library,
Marg Rose, Director of Community Initiatives
and Grants, Victoria Foundation.

Featured Topics

Health Literacy Theory and Significance

Health Communication Theory
and Strategies Public Health
Agency of Canada's Health
Literacy Resources Launch
Provincial Child and Youth
Healthy Living Initiative Living
Life to the Full Community
Courses Tri-Cities Health
Literacy Resources Launch -
Focus on refugee and new
immigrant needs Patients as
Partners and Health Literacy
Health Literacy Tools
Community Programming and
Health Literacy

BC Public Health Summer
School
'Advocacy and Health Literacy:
Reinforcing Population Health
Promotion' July 5-8, 2011
Locations: Vancouver (UBC),
Victoria (UVIC), Prince George
(UNBC), and Kelowna (KGH)

The Public Health Summer
School welcomes participants
from a variety of fields and
backgrounds working directly
or indirectly with public health.
All frontline health providers
(nurses, epidemiologists,
nutritionists, physicians, mental
health support, environmental
health inspectors, etc.)
managers, leaders, planners,
consultants, researchers, policy
analysts, community partners,
literacy partners, inter-
disciplinary allies and
university students are
encouraged to attend. All are
welcome!

Register soon as capacity is
limited!

Register at:

http://www.phabc.org/modules.php?name=Summer_School_reg

More information: kpompu@sfu.ca

2011 PHABC Fall Conference

We are pleased to announce that we will have our biannual Conference on November 28th and 29th in Vancouver, BC.

The theme of the Conference will be Inequities. Please mark your calendars, more information regarding presenters, call for abstracts, venue and registration will be available soon. Please visit www.phabc.org for more information and details starting in June 2011.

2011 CPHA Annual Conference

Public health professionals, researchers, policy-makers, academics and students from across the country and around the world will meet in Montreal, Quebec for the 2011 Annual Conference of the Canadian Public Health Association (CPHA) as the Association enters its second century of service to Canadians. CPHA and our collaborators invite you to its 2011 Annual Conference, to be held June 19-22, 2011.

The [preliminary program](#) and [online registration](#) are now available. For further information, please contact: CPHA Conference Department, phone: 613-725-3769, ext. 126. Email: conference@cpha.ca

Nancy Hall – In Memoriam

On March 23rd Nancy Hall died at the age of 60. In addition to being an advocate for those with mental health problems, for which she perhaps is best known, Nancy was also a tireless champion for communities, health promotion and public health.

A graduate of the Ph.D. program in medical sciences at McMaster University she worked across the country developing provincial health care strategies for women and children, seniors, youth and people with disabilities. On moving to British Columbia, she helped the BC Ministry of Health develop guidelines for healthy community initiatives and taught health promotion skills to health care workers, managers and community members. As a consultant in the 1980s she set up "Be Well" in Vancouver's West End, one of the first health promotion programs for seniors.

From 1995–2001, Nancy served as a member of the Provincial Health Goals Advisory Committee. As a Director of Health Promotion for North Shore Health and BC Women's Hospital, she developed initiatives related to heart health, women's health, First Nations health, violence prevention, injury prevention and addiction. She developed the community partnerships and secured funding to establish a National Centre of Excellence for Women's Health involving UBC, University of Victoria, UNBC and community groups.

From 1998–2001, she served as the first Mental Health Advocate for British Columbia and continued to be actively involved in that work even after the position was abolished by the government. In recognition of her contributions to the field of mental health, last October she received the C.M. Hincks award, the highest award from the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Over the past few years, Nancy collaborated on a number of PHABC initiatives including the last two conferences of the Association, one of which she coordinated, and last year's summer school in health promotion which she helped plan and spoke at. In all of these experiences, she was always innovative, collaborative and constructively critical. Above all, she was passionate about what she believed in. Her contributions were recognized two years ago when she received the PHABC President's award.

She was also active as a teacher in the School of Public Health at Simon Fraser University. In recognition of her contribution there, a scholarship fund for students in public health has been established. Contributions can be made directly to the SFU University Advancement Office at 8888 University Drive, or at: www.endhomelessnessnow.ca

She will be sorely missed by her friends and colleagues in health promotion and public health as well as in many other fields.

Our sincerest condolences to her family,

PHABC Board

Local Food Salad Bar

PHABC is pleased to announce a renewal of its partnership with the Ministry of Health Services to develop "Local Food Salad Bars in Remote Communities". The funding will allow us to build on the work of the Ministry's produce availability initiative that identified seven remote communities (Tahsis, Zeballos, Masset, Port Clements, Bella Coola, Telegraph Creek and Dease Lake) and created projects that increased the availability of produce in their communities. As part of phase two and three of the Initiative, these communities will be offered the opportunity to further their work by developing Local Food Salad Bars. PHABC views this initiative as an expansion of our existing farm to school salad bar program, albeit with a

broader context within communities as these salad bars may be offered in hospitals, community centre's or other suitable locations in communities.

For more information please visit the farm to school website at:

www.phabc.org/farmtoschool

Renew your PHABC membership

This is a reminder to those members whose membership has expired or will expire soon to visit the link below to renew online:

<http://www.phabc.org/modules.php?name=Renewal>

Your membership is your key to all of the wonderful events we are planning for 2011.

It is important that after renewing your membership you sign up for an account if you haven't done so already.

If you have any questions or concerns about your account please contact:

staff@phabc.org