



Leading knowledge exchange on home and community care

Informing Policy Action: Mobilizing Knowledge in Home & Community Care

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- CRNCC grew out of March 2005 symposium
 - “From Ideas to Action: Community Services in the Continuum of Care”
 - With Neighbourhood Link/Senior Link
- Minister Smitherman’s challenge:
 - Give me the evidence to make the case!

Knowledge Impact in Society (KIS)

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada wanted more *knowledge mobilization* initiatives:
 - “...moving knowledge into active service for the broadest possible common good...”
- CRNCC ranked #1 in national competition
 - Funded by SSHRC and Ryerson University

CRNCC: Who We Are

- Knowledge network of over 500 members (and growing) nationally, internationally
 - Researchers, providers, consumers, policy-makers
- Co-Chairs
 - Dr. Janet Lum, Ryerson University
- National Steering Committee
 - Researchers, practitioners, policy-makers, consumers

CRNCC Partners & Members Include ...

Canadian Healthcare Association
Canadian Mental Health Association
Canadian Pensioners Concerned, National
Canadian Red Cross
Centre for Addictions and Mental Health
Children and Youth Home Care Network
Health Canada/Santé Canada - Home and Continuing Care Unit
Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
Ontario Association of Community Care Access Centres
Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes & Services for Seniors
Ontario Coalition of Senior Citizens' Organizations
Ontario Community Support Association
Ontario Home Care Association
Ontario Seniors' Secretariat
Registered Nurses Association of Ontario
VHA Home Healthcare
VON Canada
Centre for Health Innovation and Leadership, Lincoln University, UK
Personal Social Services Research Unit, University of Manchester, UK

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CRNCC: What We Do

- Link people to knowledge about H&CC as crucial element of broader continuum of health and social care
- Raise the profile of H&CC
- Build community capacity to generate, mobilize knowledge
- Provide evidence to inform decision-making

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CRNCC: What We Don't Do

- Work unilaterally
- Advocate politically



From CRNCC's Toolkit: In Focus Fact Sheets

- Short, concise summaries in lay language, cutting edge international evidence
 - Balance of care
 - Supportive housing
 - Diversity
- All topics identified and developed in partnership with the field
- Distinguish “evidence-based” best practices from “marketing” best practices



“Ideas to Action” Symposia Series

- Supportive Housing: The Winning Formula for Supporting People and Sustaining the Health Care System (October 15, 2007)
 - In partnership with Ontario Community Support Association
- Academic and practice leaders nationally and internationally presenting evidence of what works and why
- Full symposia web-cast & DVD “briefing” version

New “Profiles” Series

- Promising (although sometimes not fully evaluated) innovations in H&CC
- CREMS (Community Referrals by EMS) direct referrals to Toronto Central CCAC by paramedics who respond to 911 calls

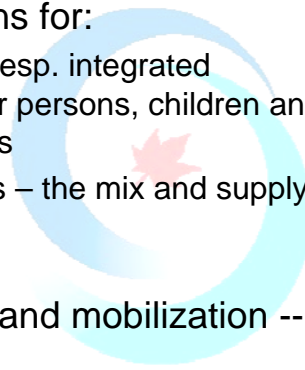
Student Placements

- Link students to research/employment opportunities in H&CC nationally
 - Next generation of researchers, policy-makers



Today's Symposium

- Shift from hospital to home and community has massive implications for:
 - Health system design – esp. integrated systems of care for older persons, children and ethno-racial communities
 - Health human resources – the mix and supply of care providers
- Knowledge generation and mobilization -- informing policy action!



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