

## Collaborative Research Grant Initiative: Mental Wellness in Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

### INFORMATION AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

#### BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Seniors and Community Supports provided a grant in 2008 to Alberta Health Services (AHS), in support of the [Alberta Addiction and Mental Health Research Partnership Program](#). This funding will help to enhance the evidence base relating to the mental health needs of clients served and supported by the Ministry.

The purpose of this five-year *Collaborative Research Grant Initiative: Mental Wellness in Seniors and Persons with Disabilities* (administered by AHS - Addiction and Mental Health) is to generate knowledge by conducting research and evaluation activities in areas of interest to the Ministry (i.e., independent living, employment, early identification and prevention, polypharmacy, complex cases, and strength-based approaches).



#### WORKSHOPS

Information and Project Development Workshops will be offered for those interested in applying for **Ideas Funds**.<sup>\*</sup> This level of funding is primarily aimed at supporting service providers and administrators to undertake relevant research and/or evaluation.

- **Ideas Funds** (up to \$8,000) support small, innovative, one year, one-time research/evaluation projects

The workshops will provide information about the *Collaborative Research Grant Initiative*, offer an interactive session on the application process, and introduce grant proposal writing, and research ethics screening tools. These two hour sessions will have in-person and videoconference components. There is **no cost** to attend and lunch will be provided at noon. The dates and locations are as follows:

- **Calgary: May 10, 2011, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
- **Lethbridge: May 11, 2011, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**
- **Grand Prairie: May 16, 2011, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**
- **Edmonton: May 18, 2011, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
- **Red Deer: May 19, 2011, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

For specific locations and to RSVP to any of these workshops contact Corrina Pasarica at [corrina.pasarica@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:corrina.pasarica@albertahealthservices.ca). Space is limited so please register early!

If you are interested in attending but there is no session scheduled in your area, please contact Corrina.

**\* PLEASE NOTE THAT ATTENDANCE AT THE WORKSHOPS IS VOLUNTARY AND NOT REQUIRED IN ORDER TO APPLY FOR FUNDING**