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Roadmap Signature Initiatives: www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/43567.html. CIHR Strategic Initiatives: www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/12679.html.



FUTURE RESEARCH INITIATIVES TO REDUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES

REDUCING HEALTH INEQUITIES IS AN IMPORTANT PRIORITY FOR CIHR. TO BETTER FOCUS INVESTMENTS, THE ORGANIZATION HAS RECENTLY LAUNCHED A NUMBER OF MAJOR RESEARCH INITIATIVES TO INCREASE RESEARCH ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA. THESE STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS WILL HELP CIHR ALLOCATE ITS RESOURCES TO MAKE THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE IMPACT ON HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE – TODAY, TOMORROW AND WELL INTO THE FUTURE.

STRATEGY FOR PATIENT-ORIENTED RESEARCH

CANADA'S STRATEGY FOR PATIENT-ORIENTED RESEARCH (SPOR) IS A COLLABORATION OF RESEARCHERS, PROVINCES, PARTNERS, HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, PATIENTS AND FAMILIES WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES. SPOR AIMS TO BETTER ENSURE THE TRANSLATION OF INNOVATIVE DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC APPROACHES TO THE POINT OF CARE, AS WELL AS TO HELP THE PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES MEET THE CHALLENGE OF DELIVERING HIGH QUALITY, COST-EFFECTIVE HEALTH CARE.

PATHWAYS TO HEALTH EQUITY FOR ABORIGINAL PEOPLES

THROUGH THE PATHWAYS TO HEALTH EQUITY FOR ABORIGINAL PEOPLES SIGNATURE INITIATIVE, CIHR WILL FUND RESEARCH TO FIND OUT HOW WE CAN BRING TOGETHER WESTERN SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE AND THE TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE OF FIRST NATIONS, INUIT AND MÉTIS PEOPLES TO IDENTIFY HEALTH INTERVENTIONS THAT WORK. THE INITIATIVE AIMS TO FIND WAYS TO ADAPT EXISTING HEALTH RESEARCH TO THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES, WHERE VALUES, TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND HISTORY VARY GREATLY.

CANADIAN LONGITUDINAL STUDY ON AGING

THIS STUDY WILL FOLLOW APPROXIMATELY 50,000 CANADIAN MEN AND WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 45 AND 85 FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 20 YEARS. THE STUDY WILL COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE CHANGING BIOLOGICAL, MEDICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF PEOPLE'S LIVES. THESE FACTORS WILL BE STUDIED TO PROVIDE AN UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THEY HAVE AN IMPACT, BOTH IN MAINTAINING HEALTH AND IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISEASE AND DISABILITY AS PEOPLE AGE.