

Research Conference:
**Research on Healthcare for the Undocumented and Uninsured:
Systems, Policies, Practices and their Consequences**

Presented by:

*Women's College Hospital's Network on Uninsured Clients
Wellesley Institute*

*Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto
York Institute for Health Research (YIHR), York University*

The Women's College Hospital's (WCH) Network on Uninsured Clients, Wellesley Institute, Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto and the Institute for Health Research at York University are jointly hosting a one-day research conference in Toronto, Ontario. The conference aims to gather local academic and community researchers with interest in health services for uninsured and undocumented clients.

Date: Friday February 12, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.

Location: 155 College Street, Suite 610
Health Sciences Building
University of Toronto
(Map enclosed)

The goals of the conference include:

- To document and share research on the health and health care for undocumented and uninsured clients;
- To bring researchers together to coordinate and collaborate on their research efforts; and
- To produce and disseminate a summary report and policy recommendations based on the research findings and discussions that emerge at this conference.

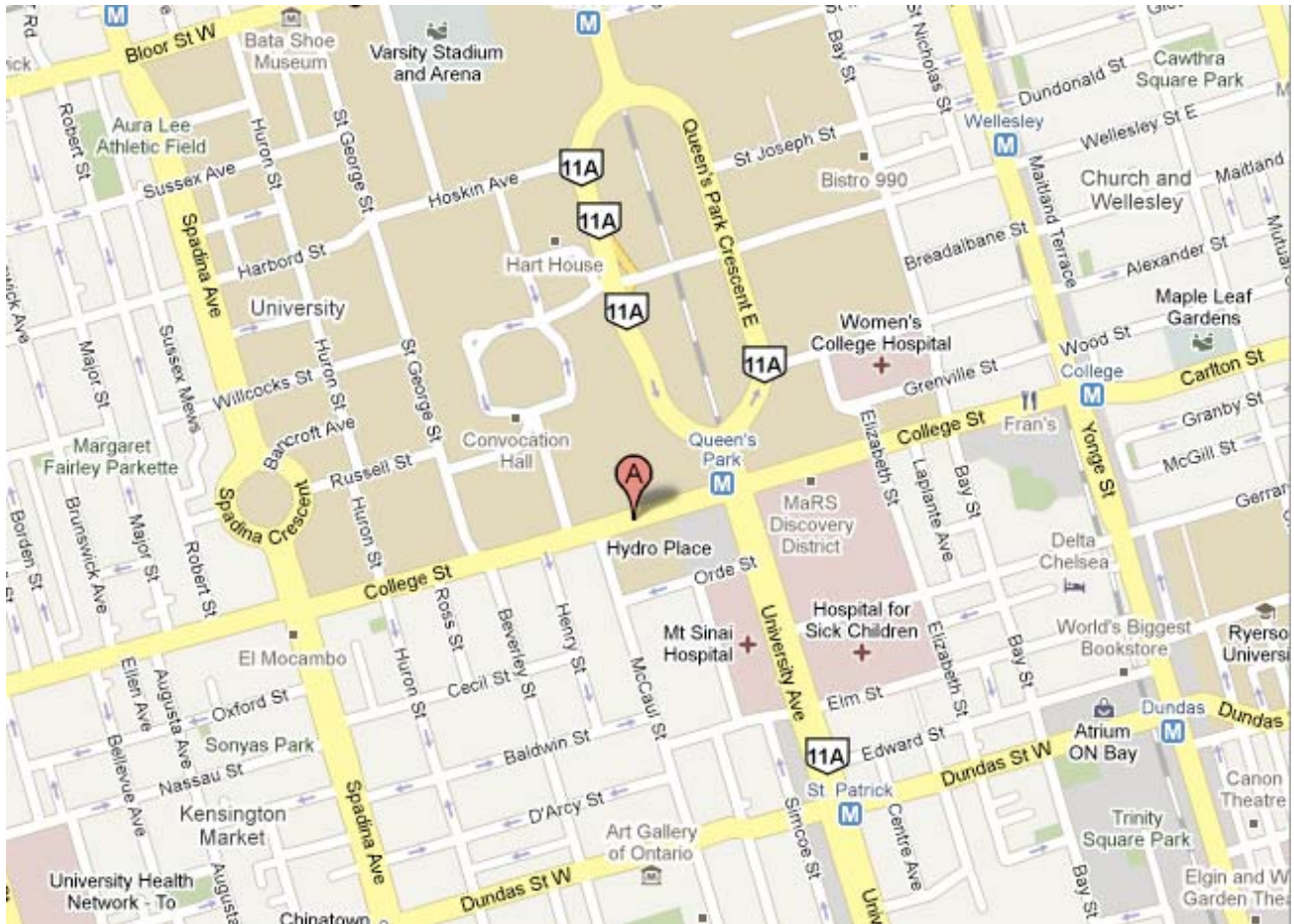
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For registration and other information, please contact linda.gardner@wchospital.ca



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8:30-9:00	Registration, Refreshments, Muffins
9:00-9:05	Opening: Angela Robertson , Director, Equity & Community Engagement, Women’s College Hospital
9:05-9:15	Welcome: Marilyn Emery , President & CEO, Women’s College Hospital
9:15-9:30	WCH Network on Uninsured Clients: Michele Landsberg , a Founding Member & WCH Board of Directors Member
9:30-10:15	Keynote: “Access Denied” Atulya Sharman , Community Legal Worker, South Asian Legal Clinic of Ontario
10:15-10:30	Towards Access: The Uninsured and an Equity Agenda: Bob Gardner , Director Healthcare Reform & Public Policy, Wellesley Institute
10:30-10:45	Refreshment Break
10:45-12:00	Concurrent Sessions: A,B,C, D
12:00-1:00	Lunch, Networking, Information Tables
1:00-2:30	Concurrent Sessions: E,F,G,H
2:30-2:45	Refreshment Break
2:45-3:50	Concluding Highlights and Implications: Discussion and Wrap up Bob Gardner , Wellesley Institute
3:50-4:00	Closing: Linda Gardner , Diversity & Community Access Coordinator, WCH

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Concurrent Morning Sessions: 10:45 a.m. – 12 noon

A Room 610	<p>Inequitable Access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Soheila Pashang: Accessing health care: Experiences of Non Status Women in Toronto</i> • <i>Yogeeta Sharma, Margareth Zanchetta, Enza Gucciardi: Interaction of adverse social conditions and Diabetes Mellitus Management of Non-Status Women of African, Caribbean, Latin American, and South Asian Descent Living in the Greater Toronto Area and Surrounding Municipalities</i> • <i>Michaela Hynie: The relationship between insurance status and presenting complaints of acute care clients in Toronto</i> • <i>Zoe Brabant, Marie-France Raynault: Healthcare access for migrants with a precarious migration status in Montreal: review of the situation and possible solutions</i>
B Room 696	<p>Migrant and Temporary Workers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Janet McLaughlin, Willem van Heiningen: Healthcare for Canada’s Temporary Foreign Workers: Challenges and Possibilities</i> • <i>Patricia Landolt, Luin Goldring: The Impact of Precarious Work and Precarious Status on Health: Latin American and Caribbean Immigrants in the GTA</i> • <i>Denise Gastaldo, Lilian Magalhaes, Frederica Gomes, Christine Carrasco: Gender and Migration as Social Determinants of Health: The Case of Latin American Undocumented Workers in the Greater Toronto Area</i>
C Room 106	<p>Reproductive Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Kimberly Munro, Catherine Jarvis, Marie Munoz, Vinita D’Souza, Lisa Graves: Undocumented Pregnant Women: What does the literature tell us?</i> • <i>Catherine Jarvis, Marie Munoz, Lisa Graves, Randolph Stephenson, Vinita D’Souza, Vania Jimenez: Providing Obstetric Care to the Medically Uninsured: A Chart Review</i> • <i>Vinita D’ Souza, Catherine Jarvis, Marie Munoz, Lisa Graves: Providing Obstetric Care to the Medically Uninsured: the Patient’s Perspective</i>
D Room 618	<p>Mental Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Faria Kamal, Kyle Killian: Health (In) Security: Examining Health Barriers of Undocumented Youth and Families and Policy Prescriptions for Health Access for All</i> • <i>Laura Simich: Liminality and mental wellbeing among non-status immigrants in Toronto: Qualitative aspects of stress, stigma, social support and control</i> • <i>Samia Saad: The psychosocial impact of falling out of status</i> • <i>Nazilla Khanlou, Tahira Gonsalves, Catriona Mill: Women living without legal immigration status: Health consequences and barriers to healthcare</i>

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Concurrent Afternoon Sessions: 1 p.m. – 2:30pm

E Room 696	<p>Women’s Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nicole Bennett, Nadya Burton: Midwifery Care for Vulnerable Populations: Providing Care for Non-Insured Women in Ontario</i> • <i>Margaret MacDonald: Maternal Citizens: Midwifery care for the undocumented and uninsured</i> • <i>Sheila Dunn, Lea Rossiter, Erin Barnes, Sue Starling, Nancy Durand, Michael Shier: Insurance status and colposcopic findings among women attending a colposcopy service for underserved women: an exploratory study</i>
F Room 618	<p>Institutional Action: St. Joseph’s Health Centre, Toronto</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Eoin Connolly, Richard Edwards: Challenges in treating uninsured patients: St Joseph’s Health Centre’s (Toronto) Response</i> • <i>Lisa Caulley, Richard Edwards: Investigation of the impact of patient insurance status on the delivery of health care to uninsured patients visiting the St. Joseph’s Health Centre emergency department</i> • <i>Christine Jankowski: A coordinated approach to the uninsured and undocumented patients</i>
G Room 106	<p>Service Delivery Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Alan Li, Josephine Wong, Fanta Ongoiba, Kenneth Fung, Julie Maggi, Roy Cain, Lena Soje, Noulmook Sutdhibhasilp, Jose Cedano, Kwasi Kafele, Firdaus Ali, YY Chen, Maureen Owino: Multi-stakeholder strategies for improving mental health service access for immigrants, refugees, and non-insured people with HIV/AIDS</i> • <i>Joyce Rankin, Stephanie Gee, Myra Piercy, Lennox Holdford: Overcoming Barriers to Health Care through Identification Programs</i> • <i>Paul Caulford, Jennifer D’Andrade: Denial of Health Insurance to New Canadians: does Canada support an Apartheid Healthcare System?</i> • <i>Monica Carreon-Diez, Denise Gastaldo, Duberlis Ramos: Working with a Hidden Population: the Experience of Front-Line Workers who Provide Services to Non-Status Immigrants in Toronto</i>
H Room 610	<p>Policy Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Michaela Beder, Sarah Reaburn, Nanky Rai, Malika Sharma, Faria Kamal, Andrew D. Pinto: Migrant health and human rights: framing the discourse on access to health care for the uninsured and undocumented within social justice and human rights</i> • <i>Angus Grant, Andrew Dekany, Bruce Porter: Toussaint v. Canada: Litigating Access to Healthcare for the Undocumented</i> • <i>Andrew D. Pinto, Michaela Beder, Abeer Majeed, Faria Kamal, Malika Sharma: Getting access to healthcare for the uninsured and undocumented on the policy agenda</i> • <i>Paloma E. Villegas, Patricia Landolt, Francisco Villegas: Negotiating Access to Public Goods: Providing Healthcare to Toronto Immigrants with Precarious Status</i>

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Women's College Hospital's Network on Uninsured Clients was initiated in 2007 to provide a forum for many individuals, groups and organizations across health and social service sectors to examine access to health services for uninsured and undocumented people; to raise awareness about issues facing people without health insurance and to seek solutions for timely access to safe, affordable, and effective care.

Wellesley Institute advances urban health through rigorous research, pragmatic policy solutions, social innovation, and community action.

Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto educates local, national and international students at the undergraduate, master and PhD levels. Among its research clusters, the Critical Approaches to Health group has been undertaking studies on health promotion, social determinants of health, global health, and social justice.

York Institute for Health Research (YIHR) is a university-based organized research unit that fosters interdisciplinary health research. The research undertaken at YIHR proceeds from the assumption that the health of individuals and communities reflects a host of interacting variables - social, political, behavioural, economic, biological, cultural and historical - and that without attention to these factors, efforts at intervention are likely to fail.

Conference Organizing Group...

Heather Cruickshank, Linda Gardner, Denise Gastaldo, Michaela Hynie, Nimira Lalani with support from WCH Network Research Working Group Members Michaela Beder, Rick Edwards, Petra Kukacka, Sonia ter Kuile

Appreciations and many thanks in advance to all speakers, presenters, facilitators, note takers, volunteers, students, delegates and others who worked to make this day a success for everyone!

Planned Post Conference Actions...

- *Conference Report and Proceedings will be posted on www.wellesleyinstitute.com*
- *Delegate Contact List will be finalized and re-circulated*
- *Others as determined*

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