

BEHSR

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March 2019 Newsletter

President's Message

Greetings BEHSR Colleagues!

Our meetings at the **2019 International/American/Canadian As**sociation for Dental Research Meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia from June 19-22 are less than three months away! We anticipate that BEHSR will be sponsoring 10 symposia, 2 Hands-on Workshops, 10 oral sessions, and 13 poster sessions. Appreciation is expressed to our members who proposed their research, and to the BEHSR officers and committee members who tirelessly invested many hours in reviewing abstracts and organizing these events.



We have planned an outstanding 2019 Oral Epi Forum for the afternoon of **Tuesday**, **June 18th, from 1-4:30pm**, to be held onsite at the Vancouver Convention Center. I highly encourage you to attend, as it is free of any additional charge, and you will have the chance to listen to recognized experts in the field of Health Inequalities (see additional details on page 2). There will also be the traditional presentations by students, trainees, and early career faculty. The event will be followed by a formal reception for attendees. This is a unique opportunity for them to receive input and guidance from others in the field. If you are a mentor, we encourage you to inform your mentees of this incredible opportunity to present their works in progress (see current Call for Abstracts, page 2).

During the general session in Vancouver, BEHSR will hold its official Business Meeting and Awards Ceremony on **Thursday, June 20th, from 5-6 pm**. Our BEHSR committees have been actively engaged in selecting from an outstanding array of papers for the prestigious Giddon and Sheiham Awards, the Lois Cohen International Travel Award, and BEHSR's Outstanding Student Abstract awards. These awards will be presented during the Awards Ceremony, at the official Business Meeting. Once again, our colleagues from Nutrition Research, Geriatric Oral Research, and the Global Oral Health Inequalities Research Network have graciously agreed to co-host a joint reception, immediately following the Awards Ceremony. This is always a wonderful opportunity for celebration and networking. We look forward to seeing you there! ...Continued on Page 2.

How to Donate to BEHSR:

Thanks to those of you who have contributed to our Group Awards accounts! To contribute to BEHSR general or specific funds, such as awards, please use one of the following options to make your contribution:

- Mail a check (payable to "IADR") to Sheri S. Herren (see contact info). Please indicate in writing the amount and intent of the contribution i.e. "\$100 for the Giddon Award fund" in both a letter and on the check.
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- 2. To contribute via credit/debit card, please call IADR GHQ at +1.703.548.0066 to make the donation by telephone.

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2019 IADR Oral Epi Forum

Vancouver Convention Center Tuesday June 18th,1:00-4:30 pm

Keynote Speaker: Sharon Freil

"Understanding the political economy of health: the case of trade, nutrition and health inequities"

Reactor Panel: Richard Watt, Carlos Quiñonez

Cocktail Reception & Poster Session: 5:00-6:00pm

CLICK HERE to register to attend!

Call for Abstracts!

for presentation at the Oral Epi Forum

Deadline for abstract submission: <u>April 14th, 2019</u> Notification of acceptance: <u>April 30th, 2019</u>

Abstracts should reflect works-in-progress (not previously presented or published) from students, trainees, or early career faculty. Please refer to appended material for additional instructions on abstract submission.

For additional information, please contact: <u>belinda.nicolau@mcgill.ca</u>

President's Message continued... It has been a longstanding interest of the BEHSR Executive Committee to engage students/trainees and early career professionals in the overall BEHSR leadership structure. Doing so will not only allow us to support our many efforts as an IADR Scientific Group, but will also help us to better incorporate the important perspectives and experiences that they bring to the work that we do. This will be one of the key discussion topics during our Business Meeting. Stay tuned for more information on our efforts, and please attend the business meeting and contribute to this process!

As President of BEHSR during 2018-2019, it has been my honor to serve with an outstanding group of colleagues on the BEHSR Executive Committee, who all are devoted to promoting oral health worldwide through research in behavioral and social factors, epidemiology, and health services. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to those officers who will be cycling off at the close of the Vancouver meeting, and my warmest welcome to our incoming BEHSR officers in the roles of Vice President (George Tsakos), Secretary-Treasurer (Cameron L. Randall), and IADR Councilor (Joana Cuhna-Cruz). Thanks to all BEHSR members who participated in the nomination and voting processes, which resulted in a fine slate of new officers.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Vancouver meeting, and look forward with anticipation to the IADR Centennial in 2020. Thank you for being a part of BEHSR!

Best wishes in BEHSR, **Dan McNeil**

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2019 IADR Oral Epi Forum – Vancouver, BC, Canada CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Tuesday, June 18th, 2019; 1:00pm-4:30pm Reception & Poster Session to follow; 5:00pm-6:00pm

We are now soliciting abstracts for presentation at the 2019 Oral Epi Forum to be held in Vancouver, BC, Canada on Tuesday, June 18th, 2019 from 1:00pm-4:30pm. Abstracts submission will be open until **Sunday, April 14th**, **2019** (midnight EDT).

Oral presentations covering applied oral epidemiology, contributions of oral epidemiology to health policy, theoretical epidemiology, statistical or methodological issues related to oral epidemiology, and ethics will be considered. Presentations will follow the keynote address, "Understanding the political economy of health: the case of trade, nutrition and health inequities." We are particularly interested in presentations that reflect work in progress as well as research problems that stimulate discussion from forum participants.

We encourage applications from students, residents and early-career researchers in epidemiology, biostatistics and population health.

Mentors and/or advisors are encouraged to recommend their students submit abstracts. This is a great opportunity to share their research with interested colleagues, receive constructive criticism in a collegial environment, and gain experience presenting a scientific paper at the IADR/AADR/CADR meeting.

All presentations should fit into a 20-minute block that includes 5 minutes allocated for Forum participants' questions and feedback. The Oral Epi Forum will also include a poster session this year; submissions not selected for oral presentation will be considered for the poster session which will take place during the cocktail reception.

Abstract submissions should include:

- Assurance by the author that the work has not been presented or published previously.
- A 300 word or less synopsis that includes relevant information on background and objective; methodology and methods; findings to date, and summary.
- 2-3 questions for discussion
- Presenter's contact information that includes the following information:

Presenter's name Agency/Training program (if applicable) Presenter's Advisor/Mentor (if applicable) Affiliation and Department City/Town, State/Province E-mail address

Notification of acceptance will be sent to the email address provided. Applicants will be notified of approval by **April 30th, 2019**. Please include in the subject line "2019 Epi-Forum Abstract" and send all abstracts by email to the 2019 Oral Epidemiology Forum Organizing Committee at: belinda.nicolau@mcgill.ca

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