



RE-IMAGINING LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL CARE

an international study of promising practices

*A “society that treats its most vulnerable members with compassion
is a more just and caring society for all”*

- World Health Organization

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1. Funding opportunities

i. The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Catalyst Grant : Health Services and Systems for an Aging Population

This is a strategic initiative of the Institute of Aging to address national research and knowledge exchange priorities associated with Health Services and Systems for an Aging Population (HSSAP). The objectives of the initiative are to develop and exchange knowledge that will inform health services and systems across the spectrum of care for older Canadians, from primary care to long-term care, home care and end-of-life care. The **registration** deadline is **June 15, 2012** and the **application** deadline is **August 1, 2012**. Complete details for this opportunity are available on [ResearchNet](#).

ii. Post-doctoral Fellowship

This opportunity is for a three-month Canadian Studies postdoctoral fellowship, with Trent or Carleton Universities as possible Canadian hosts. Detailed information on requirements is available on the [International Council for Canadian Studies](#) site.

*These opportunities are also posted on
[reimagineLTC \(O3\)](#), funding blog.*

2. Funding proposals

Funding proposals submitted recently:

i. Aurea Foundation

The York University Division of Advancement contacted Tamara and Pat about submitting a Letter of Intent (LOI) to this foundation. An LOI on *Teaching "Care"; Personal Support Worker Training in Ontario*, was submitted February 14, and we are waiting to hear if the funder is interested and asks for a full proposal.

ii. Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Operating Grant: Winter 2012 Priority Announcement

Tamara Daly, with Pat Armstrong and Karen Messing, submitted a registration application for a project on *Invisible Women: Gender and the Shifting Division of Labour in Long-term Residential Care* to the specific research area, Gender, Work and Health. The full application is due March 1, 2012, and the decision is expected at the end of June.

iii. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Insight Development Grant February 2012 Competition

Annmarie Adams, with Sally Chivers and Tamara Daly, has submitted a proposal on *The Place of Aging: Designing Long-term Care Facilities in Canada* to this competition. Results are expected in June.

Funding proposal updates:

i. ERA-AGE 2 Joint Call for Research Applications (JCRA) on Active and Healthy Ageing Across the Life Course

On December 22, 2011 we were notified that our pre-proposal, submitted in October in partnership with the UK (Liz Lloyd), Sweden (Marta Szebehely) and Norway (Mia Vabø), was successful! We're currently working to submit the full application for our project on Healthy Aging in Residential Places (HARP) by March 16, 2012. Team members will be included as an "advisory" group. A decision is expected by October 2012 at the latest.

ii. Ontario Research Fund – Research Excellence (ORF-RE) Funding, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities Round

The Ontario government cancelled this call due to "fiscal challenges". We had submitted a Notice of Intent to develop a proposal entitled *Re-imagining Long-term Care: Promising Practices in Ontario*.

iii. Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Operating Grant: Advancing Theoretical and Methodological Innovations (2011)

A decision on our application to this grant – *Developing an Integrated, Multidisciplinary Conceptual Framework for Health Services* - is expected at the end of March 2012.

3. Calls for papers

Opportunities to present:

i. The Nova Scotia Centre on Aging (NSCA)

The NSCA is accepting abstracts for their interdisciplinary conference on aging, "Our Future is Aging: Current Research on Knowledge, Practice and Policy", being held in Halifax on November 21-23, 2012. The conference is part of the 20th anniversary activities of the NSCA, a research centre at Mount Saint Vincent University. Anyone doing research on aging (educators, researchers, students, decision makers, service providers, aging advocates, or older adults) is invited to submit an abstract for consideration. The deadline is **April 15, 2012**. Submission information is available at http://www.msvu.ca/en/home/community/Centres_Institutes/centreonaging/agingconference.aspx.

ii. The Canadian Association on Gerontology (CAG)

The CAG invites abstracts for its 41st Annual Scientific and Educational Meeting, “Aging in a Changing World”, being held in Vancouver, British Columbia, from October 18-20, 2012. This is a multi-disciplinary conference for those interested in individual and population aging. Abstracts are due April 2, 2012.

Additional information: <http://www.cagacg.ca/page.aspx?menu=86&app=336&cat1=818&tp=2&lk=no>

Opportunities to publish:

i. Medical Care Research and Review (MCRR)

This call for review papers was posted on O3 in August 2011 in the Opportunities blog, but is an open call. MCRR articles examine a specific research or policy topic, and they systematically and comprehensively synthesize relevant theoretical and empirical literature across several disciplines. The objectives of these papers are to provide new insights for researchers, policy makers, managers, and practitioners and to identify areas of future research need. Information

http://mcr.sagepub.com/site/includefiles/MCRR_CFP_July_2011.pdf

These opportunities are also posted on [reimagineLTC \(O3\)](#), opportunities blog.

ii. Transnational Social Review – A Social Work Journal

This is a call for abstracts for original articles that address aging and age-related phenomena from a transnational perspective on the following topics: intergenerational relationships, family care, social capital, mobility, healthcare and well-being, autonomy and agency, migration and social policy, conceptual and methodological issues, transnational biographies of older people from transnational perspectives. The abstract submission deadline is March 31, 2012 for their spring 2013 issue. Additional information on this call, including the call poster, is available on [O3](#)

4. Presentations

- i. The project's post-doctoral fellow, **Albert Banerjee**, presented two papers at the Australian Sociological Association's Annual Conference, November 29 to December 3, 2011 - *The Graying of Society and Global Opportunities for Learning – A Study of Promising Practices in Residential Care for Older Persons*, and *No! Personal Support Workers have no voice: Epistemological violence in residential care for older people*. Co-authors of the first paper are Pat Armstrong, Hugh Armstrong and Pauline Vaillancourt Rosenau, and of the second, Pat Armstrong, Hugh Armstrong, Tamara Daly and Marta Szebehely.
- ii. **Hugh Armstrong** presented *Long-Term Residential Care* on a panel on “Experiences of the Elderly” at the Carleton University Centre on Values & Ethics (COVE) Research Day, November 30, 2011.
- iii. **Pat Armstrong** presented *Ownership Matters* on a panel at Toronto City Council's Community Development & Recreation Committee, Toronto City Hall, January 11, 2012.
- iv. **Andrea Campbell, Suzanne Day, Sandra Smele and Isabel Sousa** presented at a York University Sociology Graduate Workshop on *Re-imagining Long-term Care* that they organized on February 6, 2012.
- v. **Morgan Seeley** presented on her chapter – *Women and Long-Term Residential Care* – at a February 14 book launch at York University for “[Thinking Women and Health Care Reform in Canada](#).”
- vi. **Tamara Daly** presented *What's the Big Idea? Distracting Discourses and Promising Practices for Long-term Care* on a panel at the “Beyond Acute Care: Covering Seniors and the Disabled with the Medicare Umbrella” conference in Edmonton, Alberta, on February 25.

Team members and students are reminded to please send project presentations - wwinters@yorku.ca

5. Winter 2012 York Seminar for Advanced Research

The York Seminar for Advanced Research series continues through the winter semester.

On January 20 **Hugh Armstrong** and **Andrea Campbell** presented on the topic of *Welfare state typologies in social policy*, and on February 10 **Donna Baines** and **Kate Laxer** presented on *Framing care work comparatively*.

The series continues on March 9 with **Susan Braedley** presenting on *Gender and comparative frameworks – levels of analysis*, and **Joel Lexchin** presenting on the topic of *Professions and approaches to care*.

The series concludes on April 13 with **Jackie Choiniere's** presentation, also on *Professions and approaches to care*, and **Sally Chivers, Morgan Seeley** and **Sandra Smele** on *Cultural theories of disability and care models: clashes*.

Funding for the series was awarded by the office of the Vice-President, Research & Innovation, at York. The year-long seminar is intended to provide a small group of scholars with the opportunity to share ideas on a particular theme, with the intention of later producing the seminar proceedings for a broader audience. A book proposal is being submitted.

6. What's new

Team members and students, send your project news - wwinters@yorku.ca

i. Appointments, nominations, other news

Congratulations to **Albert Banerjee** for his successful application to the Ontario Training Centre's (OTC) post-doctoral fellowship awards competition. His fellowship begins on March 1, 2012 and ends on August 31, 2012.

Albert has also been nominated for a CIHR Institute of Health Services and Policy Research (IHSPR) Rising Star Award. A decision is expected in early April.

On February 20, **Pat Armstrong** and **Hugh Armstrong** met with Gail Donner, Chair of the recently-established Long-Term Care Task Force on Resident Care and Safety, to provide advice on long-term care issues and evidence.

Pat Armstrong has been invited to serve on an advisory committee at the University of Alberta's Parkland Institute for a study being conducted on long-term residential care. CUPE is co-leading the study.

Sally Chiver's book, *The Silvering Screen*, published in July 2011 by U of T Press, was quoted in a February 28 article in [The Guardian](#).

ii. Resources

A Survey of Nursing Home Organizational Characteristics Associated with Potentially Avoidable Hospital Transfers and Care Quality in One Large British Columbia Health Region, journal article by **Margaret McGregor** et al, Canadian Journal on Aging / La Revue canadienne du vieillissement, Vol 30, #4, 551-561. <http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayIssue?jid=CJG&tab=currentissue>

Beyond the Hospital Walls: Activity Based Funding Versus Integrated Health Care Reform, report by Marcy Cohen, **Margaret McGregor**, Iglia Ivanova and Chris Kinkaid published by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA) in January 2012.

http://www.policyalternatives.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/publications/BC%20Office/2012/01/CCPA-BC_ABF_2012.pdf

These resources have been added to the project's bibliography. [Sign in to bibliography](#)

iii. Publications

Albert Banerjee, Tamara Daly, Pat Armstrong, Marta Szebehely, Hugh Armstrong, Stirling Lafrance, *Structural violence in long-term, residential care for older people: Comparing Canada and*

Scandinavia, published in [Social Science & Medicine](#), Volume 74, Number 3, pages 390-398, February 2012.

Charlene Harrington, Jacqueline Choiniere, Monika Goldmann, Frode Fadness Jacobsen, Liz Lloyd, Margaret McGregor, Vivian Stamatopoulos, Marta Szebehely, *Nursing Home Staffing Standards and Staffing Levels in Six Countries*, published in the [Journal of Nursing Scholarship](#), Volume 44, Number 1, pages 88-98, March 2012. First published online February 16, 2012, DOI: 10.1111/j.1547-5069.2011.01430.x

Monique Lanoix's paper on *Labour as Embodied Practice: The Lessons of Care Work* has been conditionally accepted for publication in Hypatia.

*Reminder: Send information on recently published, accepted, or under review submissions to Wendy at wwinters@yorku.ca. And don't forget, when applicable, to **acknowledge the project and our funder** in published papers!*

iv. Site selection interviews

The interview questions and consent form are available on [reimagineLTC](#) (O3) in documents, site selection folder. The consent form is part of the ethics submission attachments, but has also been placed in the site selection folder for convenience.

v. Café Scientifique and Annual Team Meeting

Our Café Scientifique – *How Does Gender Matter in Long-Term Care* – will be held in downtown Toronto on Tuesday evening, May 22. **Monika Goldmann, Margaret McGregor** and **Susan Braedley** will be speaking, and **Pat Armstrong** will moderate the event.

Cafés are open to the public. Team members who have arrived and are available are welcome to attend. Additional details will be posted to O3 and the website.

As a reminder, the 2012 team meeting is Wednesday to Friday, May 23-25.

7. Public Website

Team members are reminded to check their brief bio and picture on the public website (www.yorku.ca/reitc).

If you would like either one updated, send the information to the project's work/study student Catarina Caverly at ccaverly@yorku.ca.

Watch for our next Newsletter (#4) in June 2012