

ALBERTA'S SPOR SUPPORT UNIT BUSINESS PLAN APPROVED

SPOR update

Feb. 6, 2014

On January 23, 2014 AIHS received official notice from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research that the administrative review of [Alberta's SPOR SUPPORT Unit's business plan](#) was approved. The approval means we can proceed to the next phase of negotiations – the signing of the grant agreement between CIHR & AIHS. We anticipate this to occur later this month, which means AIHS would receive the first SPOR SUPPORT Unit federal dollars prior to March 31, 2014.

The recruitment process of the Platform Leads continues. We had a terrific response to the call for Leads from candidates with strong backgrounds and experience. The [SPOR Steering Committee](#) reviewed the applications on January 24, 2014, and candidates have now been selected for interviews in March 2014. The calibre of applications was impressive and the Committee hopes to engage all candidates in the development/rollout of the SPOR SUPPORT Unit.

I'll be giving presentations about Alberta's SPOR Support Unit over the next few weeks. If you'd like to learn more about our activities and have the opportunity to attend one of the following, please feel welcome to attend.

February 6, 2014

Covenant Health Research Day Grey Nuns Community Hospital Auditorium 1100 Youville Drive West, Edmonton From 8:00 am to 8:25 am To attend, please email: researchprojects@covenanthealth.ca

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University of Alberta Edmonton Clinic Health Academy (ECHA) 1 – 182 11405 87 Avenue NW, Edmonton 2:15 pm to 3:15 pm

February 7, 2014

University of Calgary Department of Community Health Sciences/Institute for Public Health Seminar Series G500 Health Sciences Centre 3330 Hospital Drive NW Noon to 12:50 pm

February 27, 2014

Alberta Health Knowledge Transfer Brown Bag Lunch Program Telus Plaza North Tower, Room 20D

Noon to 1:00 pm Policy/decision makers interested in attending contact: sarah.vanderwolf@gov.ab.ca

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