UPDATE: ALBERTA'S SPOR SUPPORT UNIT LEADS September 12, 2014

The SPOR SUPPORT Unit <u>Steering Committee</u> is pleased to announce <u>leads</u> for Alberta's SPOR SUPPORT unit platforms. A competition was held for the Leads positions during the spring and summer resulting in the appointments of nine individuals as Leads or Joint leads for six platforms. The committee is continuing the search for the Patient Engagement platform Lead. The successful individuals are known for their skills and expertise in areas specific to the platforms they will lead, giving the Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit the requisite "people" infrastructure to offer support and services to the patient-oriented research community in the province.

The platform leads—alongside the steering committee and other partners—are working on the processes by which patient-oriented researchers can access the services, expertise and resources they need. The Leads and their platforms are as follows:

- Finlay A. McAlister Lead, Data Platforms & Services platform
- Hude Quan Lead, Methods Support & Development platform
- Lisa Hartling Joint lead, Health Systems Research, Implementation Research & Knowledge
 Translation platform
- <u>Sumit R. Majumdar</u> former joint lead, Health Systems Research, Implementation Research & Knowledge Translation platform
- Michael Hill Joint lead, Pragmatic Clinical Trials platform
- Dean Eurich Joint lead, Career Development in Methods & Health Services Research platform
- <u>Marilynne Hebert</u> Joint lead, Career Development in Methods & Health Services Research platform
- <u>Ross Tsuyuki</u> Lead, Consultation & Research Services platform

Once the critical leadership role for the Patient Engagement platform Lead is confirmed, the individual will join the platform Leads/Joint Leads announced today to form the SPOR Management Committee, which will take on the vital task of starting Alberta's SPOR SUPPORT Unit operations.

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