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SAVE THE DATE!
CRISM Prairies Annual Meeting 2018
November 1 & 2



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The CRISM Prairies team has collected responses from the doodle poll and we will meet November 1 & 2, 2018 in Saskatoon SK.

Please stay tuned for more details as we plan another great meeting together!

Say Know: Drug Education Project
Podcast Available Now!



Say Know is network of individuals whose lives have been impacted in one way or another from the drug trade. Say Know is working to bridge the gap between academic research and knowledge earned from the street by sharing perspectives, resources, and education materials.

Subscribe Now: The Say Know podcasts are now available across your favorite platforms including [iTunes](#), [STITCHER](#), [Google Play](#), and directly from the Say Know [website](#). These podcasts share information about drugs and address addictions from multiple perspectives. Have a listen and be sure to subscribe to receive latest episodes!

Be a Guest: Say Know organizers are also seeking guests to appear on the show! Prior guests have included people with lived experience, policy makers and researchers. Please contact Matt Ingrouille (matt@sayknow.org) to express your interest!

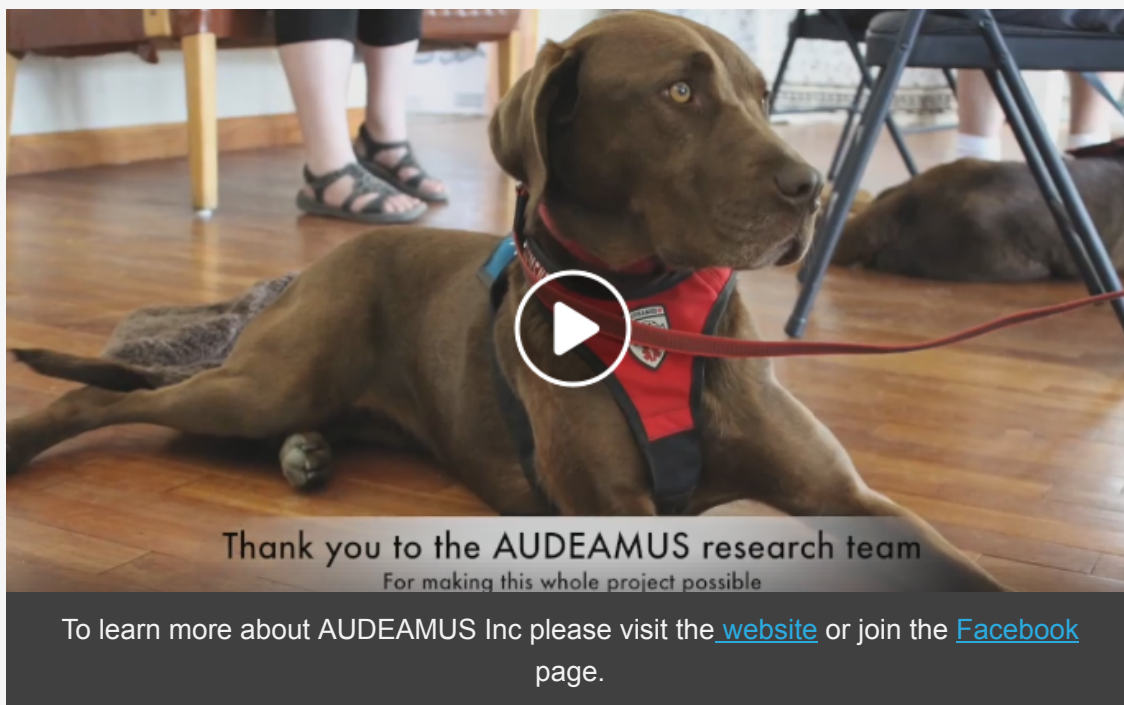
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Additional Resources: Say Know offers professional consultation services for researchers, groups, and organizations. Say Know can also provide presentations for human service professionals, community groups, and youth with their parents. To learn more about these opportunities please visit www.sayknow.org

AUDEAMUS Video Released

A new short video from AUDEAMUS Inc thanking their volunteers, supporters, and researchers was released on May 25 2018. You can see the video on Facebook by visiting this [link](#) or by pressing play below!



Events & Activities

Stimulus 2018
Abstracts Due May 31



STIMULUS

Drugs, Policy and Practice in Canada **2018** Drogues, politiques et pratiques au Canada

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Stimulus 2018: Drugs, Policy, and Practice in Canada will be held in Edmonton, AB from October 3-5, 2018. Abstracts are due May 31 2018!

This three-day event at Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton will include people who use drugs, nurses, social workers, physicians, corrections staff, front-line workers, people involved in sex work, researchers, and other key people from across Canada.

Stimulus 2018 is looking for amazing content which could include varied activities such as art, theatre, book reading, photography, spoken word, poster presentations, oral presentations, panels, and workshops. Video and film submissions are also accepted!

Each abstract will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

- Innovation
- Relevance to harm reduction
- Potential impact on the community
- Relevance to drug policy
- Knowledge exchange
- Relevance to conference theme (Drugs, Policy and Practice)
- Completeness of information
- Inclusion of people with lived experience

Please submit your work using the [abstract submission form](#) and learn more about this important event by visiting the Stimulus 2018 [website](#).

Idea Fair and Learning Circle Indigenous Gender and Wellness



The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) will be launching Travel Awards to bring interested First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples (aged 18 and older), researchers, organizations, Indigenous community members, and other allies of Indigenous Peoples to attend an *Idea Fair and Learning Circle* on “Indigenous Gender and Wellness”.

The event will provide an opportunity for Indigenous Peoples (i.e., First Nations, Inuit and Métis) and allies to meet each other, share their ideas and goals about Indigenous gender and wellness and to work with supporters (e.g., researchers, Indigenous community members) who can help them turn their idea into a fundable project.

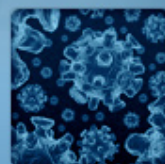
You can either apply to present your ideas to others **or** you can apply as a supporting individual to help others develop their ideas. These ‘supporting’ individuals could be Indigenous youth, community members, researchers, representatives of community organizations, Elders or any other ally who believes they have something meaningful to contribute. You do not have to know a supporting individual to apply to attend—but if you know someone who would be interested, you should definitely invite them to apply.

To learn more about this exciting opportunity, please visit the CIHR [website](#).

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Harm Reduction Fund Public Health Agency of Canada

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The Government of Canada has established a new Harm Reduction Fund administered by the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC).

The new Harm Reduction Fund is investing \$30 million over five years (2017-2022) to support projects across Canada that will help reduce HIV and hepatitis C among people who share injection and inhalation drug use equipment.

The Harm Reduction Fund supports front-line community-based projects that aim to reduce HIV and hepatitis C infections among individuals who share drug-use equipment. Funding of approximately two years is intended to focus on communities where there is evidence of high rates of substance use, HIV and hepatitis C related to the sharing of injection and inhalation drug-use equipment.

Further details are available by visiting the [PHAC call for letters of intent](#). The deadline for the Letter of Intent submission to the Harm Reduction Fund is **July 13, 2018 at 11:59pm ET**.

Manitoba Harm Reduction Network Resource Available



The Manitoba Harm Reduction Network (MHRN) has recently released the resource *Application & Action: TRC Reading guide for Non-Indigenous Organizations* to guide organizations in reading and applying the

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's final report.](#)[As stated on the MHRN website: "Use this kit as a guide for your organization to read and apply the TRC](#)

report. This toolkit will be most helpful for organizations that have already begun the work of decolonization, and understand some of the concepts contained in the guide. A clear understanding of social justice, the social determinants of health, systemic discrimination and anti-oppression will be necessary to fully engage with the content."

To access this important resource please visit the [MHRN website](#) or download it directly [here](#).

Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction Resource Available



The Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA) has released *Improving Quality of Life: Substance Use and Aging* the latest report in the Substance Use in Canada series. The report provides a summary of the best available evidence on substance use among older adults in Canada.

Improving Quality of Life: Substance Use and Aging will give decision makers, policy makers, nurses, geriatricians, researchers and others working with older adults an opportunity to consider the evidence as they develop and employ more effective prevention and intervention programs aimed at addressing substance use among older adults.

Download a [summary](#) of the report or the [full report](#) directly, or visit the [CCSA website](#) for more information.

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2017 Annual Node Meeting Evaluation Results

Thank you for sharing your feedback regarding the CRISM Prairies Annual Meeting, hosted in Calgary AB on November 15-16, 2017. Evaluation results are now available as a pdf file that you can download [here](#). We will also distribute the full meeting report in coming weeks to highlight action items, key discussions, and next-steps for CRISM Prairies!

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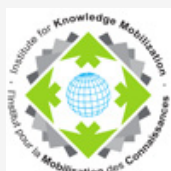

Harm Reduction International (HRI) and Agência Piaget para o Desenvolvimento (APDES) are delighted to announce that the 26th Harm Reduction International Conference – HR19 – will be held in Porto, Portugal from 28 April to 1 May 2019.

Held once every two years in a different country around the world, the Harm Reduction International Conference is the only global meeting for knowledge-sharing, networking, and discussion of best practices in the field of harm reduction. The last conference in Montreal 2017 was attended by more than 1000 delegates from over 70 countries, including medical and policy experts, harm reduction practitioners, campaigners, and people who use drugs.

HRI and APDES will publish further details about registration and abstract submission by the end of April 2018.

For more information about this event please visit the HRI [website](#) or join their mailing list [here](#).

Canadian Knowledge Mobilization Forum



Institute for Knowledge Mobilization
l'Institut pour la mobilisation des connaissances

The Canadian Knowledge Mobilization Forum will be hosted in Winnipeg, MB at the [Canadian Museum for Human Rights](#) on **June 10-12 2018**.

The theme for 2018 is: Mobilizing Evidence for Human Rights and the Social Development Goals. Knowledge Mobilization is often described as making the best of what we know, whether from research, assessed practice, or traditional knowledge, ready for others to use so that new value can be created.

For more information please review the call for content [here](#). Abstracts and submissions are due March 30 2018. You can also learn more about the history of this conference [here](#).

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