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2002-2004
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INTRODUCTION

In July 2001, Health Canada invited Canadian voluntary not-for-profit organizations and educational institutions to submit National Proposals that applied the population health approach for one or more of the three life stages:

- Childhood and Adolescence
- Early to Mid-Adulthood
- Later Life

For complete information regarding the Request for National Proposals refer to:

<http://www.hc.sc.gc.ca/hppb/phdd/funding/index.html>

The Population Health Fund Section received and considered 109 proposals and 36 were approved by the Minister of Health and subsequently received funding. The Team of Population Health Fund invites you to consult the book of abstracts.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

Childhood & Adolescence Projects

6785-15-2001/0390520

Canadian National Institute
for the Blind

929 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, Ontario
M4G 3E8

Tel: (416) 480-7209

Fax: (416) 480-7453

www.cnib.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months

Early Childhood Vision Loss and Its Impact on Development: A Sourcebook for Professionals

This project will provide information to care providers and professionals of blind, visually impaired and deaf-blind children by developing a health source book.

The purpose of this source book is to educate health professionals about the specific needs of children with visual disabilities, especially in regard to the numerous other developmental areas that are equally affected by vision. The book will include assessment and teaching strategies to accommodate the visually disabled.

A compendium of Canadian resources will assist health care professionals to support families.

The supporters of this project include the Hospital for Sick Children, Ophthalmology Department, the Canadian Institute of Child Health, the Waskana Rehabilitation Centre, Regina, and divisional/district (CNIB) offices (Manitoba Division, Thunder Bay District, London District).

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390525

Dietitians of Canada

480 University Avenue
Suite 604
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1V2

Tel: (204) 488-0072
Fax: (204) 488-0168
www.dietitians.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 22 months

Healthy Start For Life - Promoting Healthy Eating And Lifestyle During The Toddler
And Preschool Years

This project will develop resources promoting healthy eating and active living among toddlers and preschoolers. These resources will be targeted to parents, child-care workers and health intermediaries and will be widely promoted on the website of Dietitians of Canada (DC). This project will also develop a web-based workshop using these resources. Partners include: Canadian Child Care Federation, Canadian Institute of Child Health, Canadian Paediatric Society, DC Paediatric Nutrition Network, Department of Foods & Nutrition, NutriStep Project, Ontario Public Health Association Nutrition Resource Centre, Canadian Society of Exercise Physiologists, Dairy Farmers of Ontario, and YMCA. Expected outcomes include increasing parents' and daycare providers' knowledge of the nutrition and physical activity needs of preschoolers and increased use of activities that promote positive attitudes toward healthy eating and active living. Over time, the development of healthier eating and activity practices during the preschool years will reduce the risk of developing nutrition-related problems including: heart disease, cancer, obesity, and type 2 diabetes.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390526

Family Service Canada

383 Parkdale Avenue,
Suite 404
Ottawa, Ontario
K1Y 4R4

Tel: (613) 722-9006

Fax: (613) 722-8610

www.familyservicecanada.org

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months

The Baby F&ST Project

This project will adapt a healthy child development model Family and Schools Together (F&ST) which currently targets children aged 4-12, for use by teen mothers and their infants up to three years of age. The major objectives of this project are:

- to implement the Baby F&ST model in 3 communities in year 1;
- to translate the model into French;
- to evaluate the test sites and refine the model;
- to implement the model in 4 communities in Year 2; and
- to promote the model;

Partners include Family Counselling Centre of Sarnia, Ontario; Catholic Family Service in Calgary, Alberta; Family Services of Saint John, New Brunswick; and l'Équipe psycho-sociale pour enfants et adolescents francophones in Cornwall, Ontario.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390530

Media Awareness Network

1500 Merivale Road, 3rd Floor
Ottawa, Ontario
K2E 6Z5

Tel: (613) 224-6892
Fax: (613) 224-1958
www.media-awareness.ca

Media Pulse

The major objectives of this project are:

- to raise awareness among paediatricians, family doctors and other health professionals of the influence of media on the health and well-being of children and adolescents;
- to encourage the incorporation of media awareness in their practices and to advocate for media management in the home.

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 22 months

The project involves the following activities: develop a guide for health practitioners; develop a special themed issue of *Paediatrics and Child Health*; develop an educational presentation package; develop media history tools; and establish a section on Media Awareness Network website for health practitioners. Partners include the Canadian Paediatric Society and other professional organizations.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390544

Réseau national d'action éducation
femmes

Les adolescentes francophones et leur santé

1173, chemin Cyrville
Pièce 306
Ottawa, Ontario
K1J 7S6

Tél. : (613) 741-9978
Télec. : (613) 741-3805
www.rnaef.ca

Montant : 99 900 \$
Durée : 22 mois

This project aims to develop a practical guide to the health-related attitudes and perceptions of teenage girls raised in a minority Francophone environment and to implement a national awareness strategy targeting Francophone youth, their parents and their high-school teachers. Research will help uncover how the determining factors (peers, parents, teachers, television, school, etc.) influence the health perceptions and behaviour of teenage girls and will lead to approaches aimed at helping them take responsibility for their health. The main components of this project are as follows: create an advisory committee representing teenage girls; establish a sample group based on a list of teenage girls in Grade 9 living in five Francophone minority communities (both urban and rural); conduct approximately 200 interviews by telephone and in person, either individually or in groups; submit a research report; draft and produce an awareness guide based on an analysis of the data collected; validate and present the guide; hold consultations on the approaches and the creation of a strategic plan to raise awareness; train 20 teachers who will act as multiplying agents on how to use the guide; implement an awareness campaign aimed at teenage girls in Grade 9 in the 5 targeted schools; work closely with project partners who will help the members of the Réseau national d'action éducation femmes to validate and distribute the guide and promote it through their community network.

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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

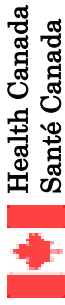
Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390544

Réseau national d'action éducation
femmes

The partners are: the Alliance canadienne des responsables et des enseignants en français, the Commission nationale des parents francophones and the Association francophone des Guides canadiennes.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390549

Sudbury and District Health Unit

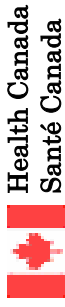
1300 Paris Street
Sudbury, Ontario
P3E 3A3

Tel: (705) 522-9200 (ext.355)
Fax: (705) 677-9602
www.@sdhu.com

Amount: \$155,272.00
Duration: 18 months

NutriSTEP Project

The goal of this project is to improve the nutritional health of pre-school children (age 3-5), through the development of a valid and reliable screening tool for use by parents/caregivers and child care, nutrition and health professionals across Canada. The partners on this project include the University of Guelph, Dietitians of Canada, Canadian Institute of Child Health, Alberta Children's Hospital, Vancouver/Richmond Health Board, Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children, Okanagan Similkameen Health Region, Best Start Resource Centre, Nutrition Resource Centre, Ontario Society of Nutrition Professionals in Public Health, and local Sudbury community partners.



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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390551

Schizophrenia Society of Canada

Nationalizing Reaching Out

50 Acadia Avenue
Suite 205
Markham, Ontario
L3R 0B3

This project will make available across Canada the “Reaching Out” Program which has been successfully piloted and implemented in the B.C. school system. The program educates adolescents about schizophrenia and other mental illnesses, helping strategies and the importance of early medical treatment.

Tel: (905) 415-2007
Fax: (905) 415-2337
www.schizophrenia.ca

The main objectives of the project are:

- to revise the Reaching Out manual, video and handbook to include Canadian content and resources;
- to promote and implement the program across Canada.

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 22 months

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390560

Youth Net/Réseau Ado

c/o Children's Hospital
of Eastern Ontario
401 Smyth Road
Ottawa, Ontario
K1H 8L1

Tel: (613) 737-7600 ext. 3914

Fax: (613) 738-3917

www.youthnet.on.ca

Amount: \$199,264.00

Duration: 22 months

Phase two (2) of the Youth Net/Réseau Ado Satellite Program

This project builds on Phase I which helped communities develop youth mental health promotion satellite programs using the YN/RA model.

Phase 2 will focus on three areas of activity:

- building the capacity of communities (including Francophone and rural) across Canada to provide ongoing YN/RA facilitator training and focus group delivery;
- supporting the development, dissemination and evaluation of by-youth-for-youth mental health promotion initiatives;
- increasing the knowledge base for program and policy development in the area of youth mental health.

The establishment of each satellite consists of two important components: community building and fostering community partnerships with local organizations such as YMCA, local school boards, civic governments, CLSCs, hospitals and local suicide prevention centres. National partners include: the Canadian Mental Health Association (both national and local chapters), the Centre of Excellence for Youth Engagement, and the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390561

Canadian Association of Family
Resource Programs

Increasing the Capacity of Parent Educators to Support Families

707-331 Cooper St.
Ottawa, Ontario
K2P 0G5

The Canadian Association of Family Resource Programs (FRP Canada) promotes the well-being of families by providing national leadership, consultation and resources.

The co-sponsoring organization is Family Service Canada (FSC). They provide support and services to family-serving, locally based organizations and families.

The project is to support parents and others who care for children in Canada by increasing the capacity of parent educators. Key activities include: conducting a parent-targeted survey about the level of usefulness of parent education; conducting a parent educator-targeted survey about their skills and the level of usefulness of available resources and programs; preparing a parent education handbook and bulletin regarding quality practices; and developing parent education workshops on the content and issues outlined in the handbook, with focus on skill building.

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 22 Months



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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390567

Smarrisk Foundation

790 Bay Street, Suite 401
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1N8

Tel: (416) 596-2706
Fax: (416) 596-2700
www.smartrisk.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 22 months

The Youth Mobilization Project

This community mobilization pilot project is a youth-led initiative that aims to help young people (aged 12-19) recognize and manage the risks in their lives. It involves recruiting and training Youth Ambassadors to do risk education in their communities and it will provide youth with an opportunity to demonstrate community leadership and citizenship.

Several sites will be selected for the pilots, covering diverse populations in various regions of Canada. Ford Motor Company of Canada is also contributing to this initiative.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390568

Canadian Mental Health
Association - National Office

2160 Yonge Street, 3rd floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4S 2Z3

Tel: (416) 484-7750x233
Fax: (416) 484-4617
www.cmha.ca

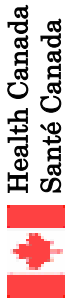
Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 21 months

Early Psychosis Intervention: From Awareness to Action

This project will promote the mental health of adolescents and young adults by encouraging action on early psychosis intervention across Canada. The project proposes to engage key stakeholders to move the practice of early psychosis intervention strategies forward by:

- building a Canada-wide vision of early psychosis policy and practice;
- strengthening affected families and their support networks

The Canadian Mental Health Association will be engaging target populations in capacity building process. Partnering organizations include: Canadian Psychiatric Association, Schizophrenia Society of Canada, National Network for Mental Health and Youth Net.



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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390574

Queen's University

Youth Engagement In Health Research and Policy

Social Program
Evaluation Group
Centre for Health Services
and Policy Research
Abramsky Hall, 3rd Floor
Kingston, Ontario
K7L 3N6

This project addresses the lack of participatory researchers in the area of adolescent health, and the need to train more researchers in this field. The goal of this project is to foster healthy adolescent development by engaging youth in participatory research and policy action that focuses on creating safe, supportive and violence-free physical and social environments. The partners on this project include the Centre of Excellence for Youth Engagement, the WHO Health Behaviour in School-Aged Children Network, and the Canadian Adolescents At-Risk Research Network.

Tel: (613) 533-6000x77405

Fax: (613) 533-2556

www.educ.queensu.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months



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Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390575

Multiple Sclerosis Society
of Canada

Growing Up Strong: Supporting the Children of Parents with Multiple Sclerosis

250 Bloor Street East
Suite 1000
Toronto, Ontario
M4W 3P9
Tel: (416) 967-3011
Fax: (416) 922-7538
www.msociety.ca

“Growing Up Strong” will develop, evaluate and deliver integrated services and programs nationwide for children aged 6-18 who have a parent or parents with MS. These programs and services will address the unique educational, emotional, social, and physical needs of children of parents with MS. Major activities include: conducting a literature review; performing a needs assessment and gap analysis; evaluating existing programs and services and adapting the best practices; developing and piloting new programs and services; producing educational resources; and organizing a train-the-trainer leadership conference. Partners include the Canadian Network of MS Clinics, the Consortium of MS Centres, the MS International Federation, and the National MS Society (US).

Amount: \$197,000.00
Duration: 22 months

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Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390592

EVERGREEN

Helping Hands Project

355 Adelaide Street West
Fifth floor
Toronto, Ontario
M5V 1S2

The Helping Hands project builds on and broadens the Learning Grounds Program which promotes school grounds naturalization and nurturing school landscapes. The expected outcomes of the project are: to plan, design and implement 30 school ground greening projects; to promote the benefits of school ground naturalization; to establish a set of best practices from which future initiatives will benefit; and to strengthen relationships with school boards in five major cities in Canada. Partners on this project include Toyota Canada Inc. and its Dealerships and the Waterloo District School Board.

Tel: (416) 596-1495 ext. 41

Fax: (416) 596-1443

www.evergreen.ca

Amount: \$195,460.00

Duration: 22 months

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390593

Society of Obstetricians and
Gynaecologists of Canada

Aboriginal Contraceptive Awareness Project

780 Echo Drive
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0W9

Tel: (613) 730-4192
Fax: (613) 730-4314
www.socg.com

This project will create the information base necessary for program and policy development related to reproductive health among Aboriginal peoples. By carrying out a series of community-based consultations to determine interests in, and consideration for the development of an Aboriginal component of a Contraceptive Awareness Program that has been developed by the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada (SOGC). The project is being implemented through a partnership between the SOGC and the National Indian and Inuit Community Health Representative organization.

Amount: \$99,820.00
Duration: 10 months

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390597

Canadian Association of Principals

500-124 O'Connor Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K1P 5M9

Tel: (613) 730-4192
Fax: (613) 730-4314
www.cap@istar.ca

Amount: \$178,490.00
Duration: 22 months

Supportive School Environments: A Dissemination Project

This project will address the lack of a systematic approach to communicating and working with the front-line workers and volunteers who are involved in schools. Through the use of different modes of communication (ads in journals/newsletters, displays at conferences, posting on email lists, links from web site) this project will establish a communications system that reaches school-based or school linked front-line workers and volunteers with a consistent message about available educational resources and practical program advice on six selected topics. Project outcomes include greater better targeted, and more frequent exposure to educational, planning and policy resources. The partners on this project are the Canadian Association of Health; Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; the Canadian Association for School Health, the Canadian Counselling Association; the Canadian Home Economics Association; the Canadian Association of School Psychologists; the Canadian Teachers Federation; the Canadian Association of Student Activity Advisors; the Canadian Home and School Federation; Peer Resources Inc.; the Canadian School Boards Association; the Canadian Association of School Administrators; and the Canadian School Library Association.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390608

The Breastfeeding
Committee of Canada

Implementation and Evaluation of the Baby-Friendly Initiative in Health Services

c/o University of British Columbia
School of Nursing
T201, ACU, 2211 Westbrook Mall
Vancouver, British Columbia
V6T 2B5

This purpose of this project is to implement and evaluate the Baby-Friendly Initiative (BFI) in community health services in Canada. The Baby Friendly Initiative (BFI) is an international program developed by WHO/UNICEF to promote and support breastfeeding as a strategy to improve the health and well-being of children and families. The partners in this project include: the Provincial and Territorial Baby-Friendly Initiative (BFI) committees, and/or coordinators designated by provincial and territorial governments.

Tel: (604) 822-7464
Fax: (604) 822-7466
www.breastfeedingcanada.ca

The committees are comprised of health professionals, representatives from health care agencies, provincial/territorial government representatives, Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program (CPNP), La Leche League Canada, consumers, and individual breastfeeding experts.

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 24 months

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390609

Allergy/Asthma Information
Association

Allergy/Asthma Information Association's Initiative to Improve the Management of Allergies, Asthma, and Anaphylaxis Throughout Canada

National Office

32 Mare Crescent
Toronto, Ontario
M9W 7E8

Tel: (514) 694-0679

Fax: (514) 694-0679

www.aaia.national@sympatico.ca

Amount: \$190,000.00

Duration: 22 months

The goal of this project is to create a safer environment for children with asthma, allergy, and anaphylaxis. The project aims to provide consistent, medically correct information regarding children with asthma, allergies, and anaphylaxis; and give training to those who are in contact with children in schools, day cares, recreational facilities, other public places on procedures to prevent and manage asthma; and to respond appropriately to emergency situations. The AAIA, which works in partnership with the Canadian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, will work in conjunction with other groups in delivering this project including school nurses, schools, recreation and park departments, and other groups that work directly with children.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390610

First Nations Child and Family
Caring Society of Canada

Supporting Aboriginal Children with Learning and Behavioural Disabilities in the Care
of Aboriginal Child Welfare Organizations

c/o University of Manitoba
415 Tier Building
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3T 2N2

The project will provide an understanding of the needs of Aboriginal children with learning disabilities, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, and fetal alcohol syndrome/effects who are in the care of welfare agencies. This is a research (questionnaire surveys, follow-up-in-depth interviews, literature review, consulting with elders on cultural issues) and an intervention project which intends to develop and document the scope of the issues and the needs of Aboriginal children involved with child welfare agencies. The partners on this project include the Learning Disability Association of Canada, the Centre of Excellence in Child Welfare Research, the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Manitoba, the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Toronto and the Child Welfare League of Canada.

Tel: (204) 474-8261

Fax: (204) 474-7594

www.fncfcs.com

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390613

Canadian Association for Health,
Physical Education, Recreation
and Dance

Building Community Capacity in the Development of Healthy Public Policy and Programming for Youth: A School-Based, Youth Empowerment Approach

2197 Riverside Drive, Suite 403
Ottawa, Ontario
K1H 7X3

This project is a partnership initiative between the Canadian Association for Health; Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (CAHPERD); and the Canadian Association for School Health (CASH) to increase school community capacity to engage young people in evidence-based school health program and policy development. The project will provide promotion, presentations, workshops and administrative support in the implementation of Health Canada's Voices & Choices: Planning for School Health. Voices & Choices is a practical, do-it-yourself, on-line, strategic planning tool for school communities to engage students in identifying their health and school-related needs, and to develop and implement strategies to address these needs. It includes a Guide to Implementation, a quantitative Student Needs Assessment Questionnaire and a School Health Profile by which students' responses to the questionnaire are reported back to the school community. Voices & Choices is aimed at fostering healthier students in a safe, caring and effective learning environment. It is appropriate for students in Grade 6 to secondary school graduation; and has been tested in schools at the intermediate and secondary levels.

Tel: (613) 523-1348 ext. 223

Fax: (613) 523-1206

www.cahperd.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months

Early to Mid-Adulthood

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Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390517

National Quality Institute

2275 Lakeshore Boulevard West
Suite 307
Toronto, Ontario
M8V 3Y3

Tel: (416) 251-7600

Fax: (416) 251-9131

www.ngi.ca

Amount: \$115,500.00

Duration: 22 months

The Development of a National Healthy Workplace Coalition

The National Quality Institute (NQI) is establishing a national Healthy Workplace Coalition composed of organizations from the public, private and not-for-profit sectors across Canada. The Coalition membership would assist the NQI to advance the healthy workplace movement and to increase awareness of the benefits of a comprehensive approach to workplace health. Two projects to be conducted in 2003 are:

- A Guide to Comprehensive Workplace Health Promotion will develop and pilot a comprehensive reference guide and "roadmap" of existing tools and programs;
- Healthy Workplace Curriculum will develop a comprehensive healthy workplace module for inclusion in the post-secondary business program curricula

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390518

Alliance des radios
communautaires du Canada

Les ondes de la santé

325, rue Dalhousie, 2^e étage
Ottawa (Ontario)
K1N 7G2

The 18 radio stations that are members of the Alliance des radios communautaires du Canada, as well as their national satellite network RFA (Le Réseau francophone d'Amérique), will produce a total of forty 40 hours of broadcasting on the topic of adult health. For the most part, this series of broadcasts will be produced in 18 Francophone and Acadian communities across the country 36 hours, while the remaining 4 hours will be produced in RFA studios in Ottawa. These broadcasts will bring together various regional, provincial and local representatives working in the health field as well as production crews from community radio stations and RFA.

Tél. : (613) 562-0000
Télé. : (613) 562-2182
www.radiorfa.com

Montant : 178 160 \$
Durée : 22 mois

This series of broadcasts will launch public consultations leading to debates aired by the 18 radio stations serving 400,000 listeners located in 6 provinces and 2 territories. The objective is to increase the awareness of the population in these regions concerning issues relating to adult health. Local residents will also be able to raise health issues with the members of a round table gathered in the studio.

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**Project Number &
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Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390521

Calgary Cardiovascular Network

c/o Alberta Cancer Board
Division of Epidemiology, Prevention
and Screening
1331 - 29 Street North West
Calgary, Alberta
T2N 4N2

Tel: (403) 220-8892
Fax: (403) 283-6151
www.hearthealthcalgary.com

CLANS Connecting Local and National Strategies

This project will develop, implement and evaluate a comprehensive, community-based, sustainable strategic plan to enhance prevention, early detection and control of major risk factors leading to cardiovascular disease.

The Calgary Cardiovascular Network includes representatives of health and education professionals, the government, the community, volunteer agencies, commodity groups and retailers. The following agencies are participating as partners: Alberta Health, Alberta College of Pharmacists, Calgary Health Region, University of Calgary, City of Calgary, Calgary Fire Department, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada, Statistics Canada and Health Canada.

Amount: \$47, 300.00
Duration: 22 months

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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390542

Canadian National Institute for
the Blind (CNIB)

Circles of Light Project

1929 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, Ontario
M4G 3E8

The Canadian National Institute for the Blind is sponsoring the Circles of Light Project to suggest culturally appropriate models for a long-term sustainable partnership between its branches, Aboriginal communities and existing health care networks.

Tel: (416) 480-7464
Fax: (416) 480-7677
www.cnib.ca

The Circles of Light Project will use participatory action research to study the issues, needs and wishes of Aboriginal community members and their existing health care providers regarding eye health. The project will produce a culturally relevant framework for providing future services for Aboriginal communities.

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 18 months

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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390569

Centre for Addiction and Mental
Health - Social, Prevention and
Health Policy Department

33 Russell Street
Toronto, Ontario
M5S 2S1

Tel: (416) 535-8501 Ext. 4494

Fax: (416) 595-6899

www.camh.net

www.ngi.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00

Duration: 22 months

Reconnecting Health and the Promises of Employment: Development and Evaluation of a Resource

This project proposes to contribute to the promotion of health and productivity in the workplace by focussing attention on the importance of fairness in labour relations as a determinant of mental and physical health in the workplace. Project objectives are to develop, evaluate, disseminate a model for enhancing fairness and present the project results as a manual.

For this project the Centre for Addiction and Mental (CAMH) will partner with the National Quality Institute (NQI), B.C. Hydro, and Human Resources Development Canada.

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Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390571

Canadian Labour and
Business Centre

1500 - 55 Metcalfe Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K1P 6L5

Tel: (613) 234-0505x231
Fax: (613) 234-2482
www.cspc.ca

Amount: \$45,000.00
Duration: 18 months

Regional Seminars on Workplace Health

This project will promote the value of workplace health, safety and wellness initiatives in Canadian workplaces. The Canadian Labour and Business Centre will organize three (3) regional seminars (British Columbia, Atlantic, and Ontario) which will feature workplace health case-study presentations from workplaces that are considered to be leaders in the safety, health and wellness field. Other funding partners include the British Columbia Workers Compensation Board and the Labour Management Partnerships Program of Human Resources Development Canada. (HRDC).

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

Later Life

6785-15-2001/0390612

Canadian Agricultural Safety
Association

103 Hospital Drive
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
S7N 0W8

Tel: (306) 966-8288
Fax: (306) 966-8891
www.ccasrh.org

Amount: \$55,000.00
Duration: 20 months

Evaluation of Stand Alone Resource for Farming and Rural Communities

Further to “Stepping Toward Health and Success in Your Farm Business”, this project will evaluate the effectiveness and use of the tool by farmers in Canada. The goal of this project is to update the guide, to promote use and develop a new promotional strategies to increase the use of the resource.

The Coalition for Agricultural Safety and Rural Health is a registered non-profit coalition of farm organizations, preventive agencies, research groups, and farmers from across Canada who together address rural health issues, illness, injuries, and accidental deaths among farmers, their families and agricultural workers. Liaisons include Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and Health Canada's Office of Rural Health. Each provincial Department of Agriculture has a representative who acts in an advisory capacity to the Board. Industry continues to be an important partner, including companies from the farm machinery, and farm safety sector, 3M, Pioneer Hi-Bred, and Farm Credit Corporation.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390515

Ontario March of Dimes

10 Overlea Boulevard
Toronto, Ontario
M4H 1A4

Tel: (416) 425-3463
Fax: (416) 425-1920
www.dimes.on.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 23 months

National Post Polio Network

The Ontario March of Dimes (OMOD) is a provincial association with a mandate to assist physically disabled adults to lead a meaningful and dignified life by building on existing abilities, promoting choice, community integration and self-sufficiency. OMOD, and its partners in the provincial representatives from the Post Polio Associations across Canada and representative consultants from nine named medical and social disciplines, propose to create the National Post Polio Network (NPPN).

This project helps individuals suffering from post polio-related problems. The Ontario March of Dimes proposes the formation and coordination of National Post Polio Network and the development of a national registry.

The project objectives are:

- to increase awareness of the late effects of polio and post polio syndrome.
- to build a national registry of polio survivor
- to develop a national education program for health care professionals and bilingual educational packages.
- to provide advice and assistance to individuals, as well as, to current provincial support groups & associations.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390537

Canadian Pharmacists Association

1785 Alta Vista Drive
Ottawa, Ontario
K1G 3Y6

Tel: (613) 523-7877
Fax: (613) 523-0445
www.pharmacists.ca

Amount: \$199,750.00
Duration: 21 months

Screening and Managing Medication Problems In Isolated, Independent-Living Seniors

The Canadian Pharmacists Association (CPA) is a professional association providing leadership to pharmacists in all areas of practice. For this project CPA will partner with two key stakeholders: the Canadian Association for Community Care (CACC) and the Canadian Association for the Fifty-Plus (CAFP).

The overall aim of this project is to reduce medication related illness in the independent-living elderly who receive minimal assistance from a family caregiver. This will be done through the identification of barriers and facilitators to the involvement of home support workers in assisting seniors with medication management, and development of training programme and tools to assist home support workers and seniors with medication management. The second objective is to stimulate a policy discussion related to the roles and practice on non-regulated homecare providers. This will be accomplished through the development and sharing of a situational analysis of non-regulated homecare providers across Canada.

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Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390538

University of Victoria

School of Nursing
Box 1700
3800 Finnerty Road, 4th Floor
Victoria, British Columbia
V8W 2Y2

Tel: (250) 721-7966
Fax: (250) 721-6231
www.uvic.ca

Amount: \$199,919.00
Duration: 22 months

Stepping In: Long-term Care Collaborative Falls Prevention Project

The Adult Injury Management Network (AIMNet) at the University of Victoria has an established track record in the area of falls and fall-related injury prevention among older people. Project partners include the British Columbia Injury Research and Prevention Unit at the Centre for Community Health & Health Evaluation Research at the Children's & Women's Health Centre of British Columbia, the Institute on Health of the Elderly, University of Ottawa, and the School of Nutrition & Dietetics at Acadia University.

This multi disciplinary project is to reduce falls and fall-related injuries among residents of long-term care facilities in several pilot sites across Canada. The project will address the determinants of health that put residents of care facilities at greatest risk of sustaining a fall and related injuries. The proposed outcomes of the project will include a standardized falls report form, a literature review of best practices in falls prevention in facilities and a Falls Prevention Booklet containing educational materials and guidelines for falls assessment and prevention for residents of Long Term Care Facilities.

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**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390543

VON Canada

110 Argyle Avenue
Ottawa, Ontario
K2P 1B4

Tel: (613) 233-5694
Fax: (613) 230-4376
www.von.ca

Amount: \$191,460
Duration: 23 months

Seniors Health: Strengthening Capacity for Physical and Social Well-Being

The Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) Canada will partner with Canadian Centre for Activity and Aging, a research centre which investigates the relationship of physical activity and aging, and develops strategies to promote the independence of older adults.

This project will create the organizational capacity to provide VON branches with the knowledge base, organizational support and best practices template to deliver a professionally structured, wellness exercise program. The project is to document and evaluate both the process and content aspects of programs so that a best practice template can be created and used by VON branches and others. The expected outcomes upon completion of the project are a model for the creation of a nationally-based program, a best practice template, and a program sustainability plan.

**Project Number &
Sponsoring Organization**

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390552

Canadian Academy of
Geriatric Psychiatry

36 Warwick Ave.
Toronto, Ontario
M6C 1T8

Tel: (416) 781-2886
Fax: (416) 787-6157
www.cagp.ca

Amount: \$177,000.00
Duration: 18 months

Canadian Coalition for Seniors Mental Health

This project will improve mental health services for all seniors with cognitive and/or mental illness residing in long-term care facilities. One outcome of this project is the establishment of a Canadian Coalition for Seniors Mental Health which will increase opportunities for partners to share and create best practice models of front line services to residents with mental health needs. The partnerships are among over 150 agencies interested in mental health issues for seniors. A Steering Committee to oversee the project includes representation from the Alzheimer Society of Canada, the Canadian Association for the Fifty-Plus, the Canadian Caregivers' Association, as well as ten (10) other key provider and consumer stakeholders.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390570

Canadian Association for
Community Care

Enhancing the Health of Informal Caregivers Through Physical Activity

1 Nicholas Street, Suite 712
Ottawa, Ontario
K1N 7B7

The Canadian Association for Community Care proposes to develop, test, and evaluate models of active living programs for older informal caregivers, and to disseminate these models nationally for implementation at local levels.

Tel: (613) 241-7510
Fax: (613) 241-5923
www.cacc-acssc.com

For this project, the CACC will partner with the Active Living Coalition for Older Adults (ALCOA), an umbrella organization for seniors, and other health providers concerned with healthy aging, active living, and the creation of supportive environments.

Amount: \$199,968.00
Duration: 22 months

The program will be designed to address the unique needs of caregivers with respect to income, availability, schedules, time, lack of respite care, transportation, as well as facilitating social networks to minimize social isolation.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390587

Canadian Lung Association

3 Raymond Street, Suite 300
Ottawa, Ontario
K1R 1A3

Tel: (416) 696-9240 x 235
Fax: (416) 922-9430
www.on.lung.ca

Amount: \$200,000.00
Duration: 23 months

The Lung Association's BreathWorks™: Help for People with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

This project will address the needs of people who live with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD). The partners for the delivery of this project are the Canadian Thoracic Society; Canadian Physiotherapy Cardio-Pulmonary Rehabilitation Society; Canadian Nurses Respiratory Society; the Respiratory Therapy Society of the Canadian Lung Association and the University of Toronto. The Canadian Lung Association proposes that this project responds to needs in areas such as education and knowledge, motivation, access and support highlighted in current research.

Project results will be widely disseminated using a variety of media including media releases, magazines and major medical conferences.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390604

Canadian Standards Association

5060 Spectrum Way
Suite 100
Mississauga, Ontario
L4W 5N6

Tel: (416) 747-2670
Fax: (416) 747-2473
www.csa.ca

Amount: \$106,000.00
Duration: 20 months

Design for Aging: Process for Product Assessment Project

The Canadian Standards Association (CSA) is a not-for-profit membership association serving consumers, industry, business and government. The Association is composed of three different divisions: Canadian Standards Association, CSA International, and QMI (Quality Management Institute). The Canadian Standards Association, the division of CSA Group responsible for standards development and work, has been involved in aging issues since 1998.

The first objective of the project is to identify the most effective process for the assessment of usability of products by seniors and to incorporate the model approach. This project will develop baseline information for the purpose of developing an effective protocol to assess usability for consumer products that affect seniors.

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Project Number & Sponsoring Organization

Project Title and Description

6785-15-2001/0390605

British Columbia Psychogeriatric
Association (BCPGA)

Psychosocial Approaches to Mental Health Challenge of Later Life

2940 Killarney Place
Nanaimo, B.C.
V9T 1A6

The British Columbia Psychogeriatric Association wishes to develop and share knowledge about the psycho-social approach to mental health problem with seniors. Partnership for this project has representation from four regions of Canada and reflects a broad spectrum of provincial and national stakeholder organizations. Both seniors and mental health practitioners will be involved directly in the project.

Tel.: (250) 755-6180
Fax.: (250) 756-2139

www.seniorsmentalhealth.ca

This project aims to increase the capacity of communities across Canada to use psycho-social approaches to promote seniors mental health, and to prevent and/or address mental health problems. The project goals are:

Amount: \$199,380.00
Duration: 22 months

- to develop a mental health impact model with which to assess the effect of policies and programs on seniors' mental health;
- to develop community resources based on the findings of this project