

Research Update • Fall 2020

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25th Annual Research Day

On August 27, 2020, the Faculty of Nursing (FON) hosted our 25th Annual Nursing Research Day (NRD) with a virtual twist, delivering the whole day online.

The day combined NRD with our annual MN Student Orientation day and provided a useful way for new students to get to know faculty researchers as well as stimulating interest in research in general.

The day provided the opportunity to contribute to the legacy of developing and maintaining a culture of research in Nursing and was a great success with more than 30 participants at all sessions.

THANK YOU to members of the NRD subcommittee who were instrumental in both development and delivery and significantly contributed to the success of the day!



Funding and Awards

UNB recently announced 13 newly-funded COVID-19 research projects which include a project from the Faculty of Nursing! Congratulations to **Dr. David Busolo, Dr. Jason Hickey, Dr. Petrea Taylor, Renee Gordon and Alisha Keough** who received \$33, 385 in funding to study clinical nursing education in the context of COVID-19. Specifically, this team is working to examine the implementation and evaluation of a virtual remote clinical delivery model designed to counteract the disruption in clinical education.



To learn more about the project, visit the UNB Research Blog:

http://blogs.unb.ca/research/2020/07/covid-nursing.php?utm_source=social&utm_medium=twitter&utm_content=clinical_nursing&utm_campaign=NBIF-research



A new research project focused on Making "Non-essential" Family Volunteering/Caregiving Essential in Long-term Care is being led by Dr. Annie Robitaille at the University of Ottawa and includes **Dr. Pam Durepos** as a co-investigator. The project has received \$200,000 of funding from CIHR.

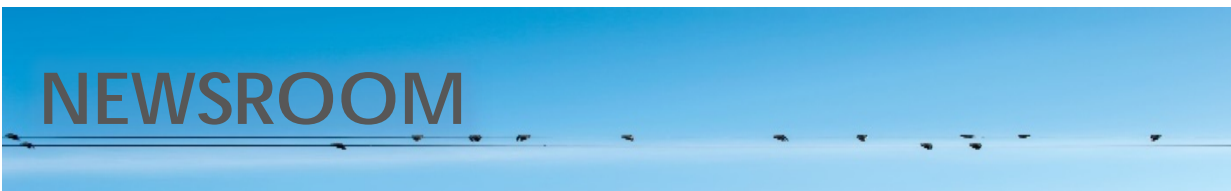
Pam is also a collaborator on a newly funded project entitled: 'Implementing and Scaling Up the Palliative Care Toolkit in Long-Term Care During COVID.' The project is led by Dr. Sharon Kaasalainen at McMaster University and has received \$200,000 from CIHR.

In May 2020, **Dr. Kate Weaver** was awarded a University Research Fund/RF Explore grant with a value of \$7,000.00 for a research project entitled, Use of Cannabis in Recovering from an Eating Disorder. Congratulations, Kate!



In June 2020, Professor Emerita, **Dr. Judy Wuest**, was recognized as the 27th recipient of the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation Award. Since 1992, Judy has engaged, in an evolving program of research in violence and health aimed at shifting the perspective of violence as a neglected health issue for women to a global public health problem for all; she and her colleagues are credited with having successfully developed and tested the feasibility of a theory-based, trauma- and violence-informed intervention in four NB communities

Please join us in congratulating our faculty on these important and exciting achievements!



Congratulations to Dr. Kate Weaver who was appointed editor-in-chief of the International Journal of Advanced Nursing Education and Research, effective July 1, 2020 <https://gvpress.com/journals/IJANER/>

Dr. Weaver was also appointed Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Health Studies, Master of Psychiatric Nursing Program, Brandon University (Term Sept 15, 2020 to Sept 15, 2023)

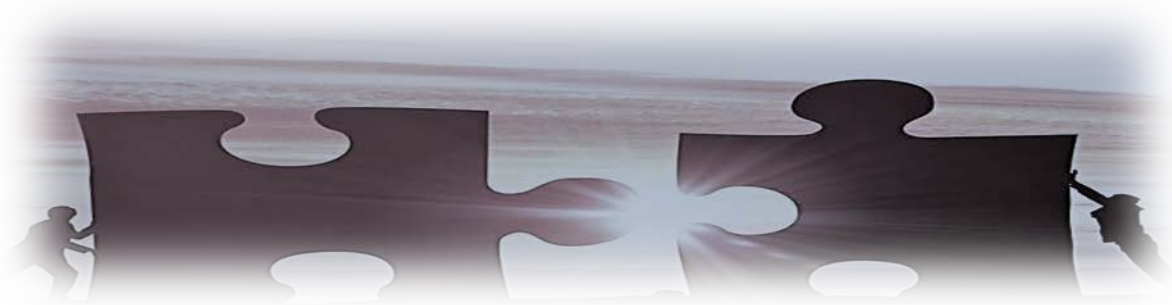
Dr. Emily Read was co-investigator of a research team which was named research team of the month in June 2020, by the New Brunswick Health Research Foundation. The team, headed by co-leads, Dr. Danielle Bouchard, UNB Kinesiology and Dr. Grant Handrigan, l'université de Moncton, worked together to determine if something as simple as standing makes a difference in functional ability and quality of life to frail older adults. The project is funded by the New Brunswick Health Research Foundation and the Canadian Frailty Network.



For more information, please visit <https://huddle.today/n-b-research-team-is-investigating-the-impact-of-standing-for-frail-individuals/>

The UNB FON and New Brunswick Community College (NBCC) co-hosted Leaders in Mental Health Nursing, a virtual education summit on November 30, 2020. The summit, which was funded by the Government of New Brunswick Nursing Resource Strategy, was aimed at determining the New Brunswick context of mental health care, the needs across the lifespan and the areas for inclusion in a mental health curriculum. Another important goal was to create an actionable pathway to address the shortage of RNs in mental health and addictions in New Brunswick.

A great example of bringing together stakeholders from a range of sectors to create partnerships aimed at addressing mental health in NB.



Congratulations to BN student **Meredith Clark** and MN program graduand (MN 2020) **Patricia Morris**, who are featured in the Nurses Association of New Brunswick, Fall 2020 Info Nursing publication.

To read more, please visit: <http://www.nanb.nb.ca/.../resource/INFO-Vol51-No2-E-web.pdf>

UNB Faculty of Nursing Associate Professor, **Dr. Kelly-Scott Storey** was featured front and center in the Winter 2020 issue of UNB Research Matters. Way to go Kelly and team!

Access the full issue here:
<https://www.unb.ca/.../new.../researchmatters-winter2020.pdf>



**Everyone deserves to be
Safe in their
Relationships**

Canadian women experiencing intimate partner violence can now access a new interactive, online health and safety resource called **myPlan Canada**. This is a free app.

myPlan helps women weigh the risks in their relationship and set personal priorities. The tool offers personalized suggestions to enhance safety and health, then provides location-specific contact information for services that can help.

Get information and download the app at myplanapp.ca



The myPlan Canada app officially launched on July 7, 2020. The app is the first public version of an interactive online health and safety resource for Canadian women experiencing intimate partner violence (IPV). This new way to support women in their health and safety has been particularly important during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The app was co-developed by **Dr. Kelly Scott-Storey**, who collaborated with co-leads, Dr. Marilyn Ford-Gilboe (Western University) and Dr. Colleen Varcoe (University of British Columbia) using the latest IPV research.

Kelly and the research team are now working with violence against women agencies nationally to integrate this new technology into the services they provide.

For more information and to download the free app, please visit <https://myplanapp.ca/en/>

Faculty Publications

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Folkins, C., **Read, E.**, Munde, J., Birk, M. V., Bateman, S. (2020). A serious game for promoting positive attitudes towards nursing homes among youth. *Proceedings of the Annual Symposium on Computer-Human Interaction in Play*. DOI:10.1145/3410404.3414253

Hickey, J., Powling, H., McKinney, P., Robbins, T., Carrier, N., & Nash, A. (2020). "It's a change your life kind of program": A healing focused camping weekend for urban Indigenous families living in Fredericton, New Brunswick. *First Peoples Child & Family Review*, 15(2), 23–44.

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LeBlanc-Kwaw, D., **Weaver, K.**, & Olson, J. (2020). Becoming a channel of God: How faith community nurses develop their spiritual practice. *Journal of Holistic Nursing*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0898010120977326>
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McCloskey, R., & **Weaver, K.** (2020). Working with research assistants: Guidelines for mutually beneficial relationships. *International Journal of Advanced Nursing Education and Research*, 5 (2), 7-18.

DOI: <https://dx.doi.org/10.21742/ijaner.2020.5.2.02>

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McLaughlin, J., & **Weaver, K.** (2020). An Integrative Review: Translating the experiences of youth psychiatry patients to improve primary healthcare outcomes. *International Journal of Advanced Nursing Education and Research*, 5 (1), 7-24.

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Morris, P., & Bulman, D. (2020). Lucidity in the context of advanced neurodegenerative disorders: A concept analysis. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 46 (12): 42-50.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3928/00989134-20201106-06>

O'Donnell, S., Scott-Storey, K., Wuest, J., Malcolm, J., Taylor, P., & Vincent, C. (2020). Patterns and correlates of cannabis use by cumulative lifetime violence severity in a community sample of eastern Canadian men. *Journal of Cannabis Research*, 2(14): 1-17.

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Scott-Storey, K., Hodgins, M., & Wuest, J. (2019). Modeling the effects of lifetime abuse as a risk factor for cardiovascular disease among women. *Journal of BMC Cardiovascular Disorders*, 19(223): 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12872-019-1196-y>

Scott-Storey, K., O'Donnell, S., Wuest, J., MacIntosh J., & Merritt-Gray M. (2020). The cumulative lifetime violence severity scale: Development and initial testing among men. *BMC Public Health*, 20 (418), 1-14.

Weaver, K. (2020 accepted). Chapter 11. Nutrition. *Sanders Canadian Comprehensive Review for the NCLEX-RN Examination, Second Edition*. Elsevier.

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Student Research and Awards

MN Graduated, **Patricia Morris** was featured in the Graduate Student Success Stories section of the UNB Research Matters Fall 2020 – Graduate Student Success Newsletter. MN students and NBIF Award recipients, **Ruth Lue and Kayla MacLeod** are also featured in the Internal Awards section.

Visit the Research Matters Newsletter, Fall 2020 edition for more details: <https://www.unb.ca/research/assets/documents/vpr/newsletters/fall2020-newsletter.pdf>.



While completing a course for her Master of Nursing degree, **Patricia Morris** worked with **Dr. Donna Bulman** to publish a paper written as a course assignment. The paper, *Lucidity in the Context of Advanced Neurodegenerative Disorders: A Concept Analysis*, was recently published in the *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*.

Great example of making the most of your coursework! Access the paper here: <https://doi.org/10.3928/00989134-20201106-06>



In June 2020, MN Nurse Practitioner student, **Jennifer Splane** participated in Collaborative Health Research Week, put on by Atlantic Health Exploration and Discovery and is aimed at creating more opportunities for formal interprofessional collaboration and education. Participants had an opportunity to present health research through five-minute thesis and poster presentations.

Jennifer also presented her poster, *Exploring the Practices, Experiences, and Needs of Care Providers when Supporting Youth with Complex Care Needs Transition from Pediatric to Adult Healthcare*, at the 2020 Children's Healthcare Canada Annual Conference Poster Fair, from November 16 to 20, 2020. Congratulations, Jennifer, on these important accomplishments!

In Fall 2020, the following scholarships and bursaries were awarded to students in both MN streams:

- **Melanie Richard** was the recipient of the NANB Scholarship (\$5000)
- The Alzheimer Society of NB/Dr. Jed B. Sutherland Bursary (\$1000) and the Cutler Nursing Scholarship (\$8500) were awarded to **Patricia Morris**
- The Helen Gibson Memorial Scholarships (\$1000 each) were awarded to **Kaitlyn Assadpour** and **Sarah Connors**. **Sarah** was also awarded the Linda Nice Graduate Scholarship in Nursing (\$750)
- The Jane Stikeman Ekers Scholarships were awarded to **Heather B Bell** (\$1000), **Mandeep Kaur** (\$1000) and **Ashley McKim** (\$2000). **Ashley** was also awarded the Julianna K MacLeod Scholarship (\$500) and a Monnex/NANB Scholarship (\$1250)
- **Catherine Driscoll** was the recipient of the Loris Jean (Jonah) Miller Scholarship (\$750)
- The Shirley MacLeod Scholarship was awarded to **Claudette Manhue** (\$3000)

MN Thesis/Report Stream Grads

UNB MN student **Anna McQueen** successfully defended her report work in September 2020 titled, Envisioning an integrated clinical nurse specialist role in primary care and primary health care for health care reform in New Brunswick: A modified delphi study of key stakeholders' perspectives. Anna's work has been aimed at stimulating renewed advocacy around system-level integration of Clinical Nurse Specialists as an approach to strengthening health human resources for health care reform in New Brunswick. MN students are leaders who are making a difference in New Brunswick and beyond. Great work, Anna!

UNB MN student **Patricia Morris** successfully defended her report work in September 2020. Patricia's work titled, Frontline nursing staff provisions for self-determinations with nursing home residents with cognitive impairments: A scoping review in partnership with Loch Lomond Villa, explores a highly relevant yet complex topic focused on the well-being and care of older adults. Patricia has published her scoping review protocol in JBI Evidence Synthesis, submitted her findings manuscript for publication and plans to continue to explore this topic via her PhD research. Way to go, Patricia!

Master of Nursing student **Roya MacDonald** successfully defended her thesis in November 2020, titled, A case study examining the experience of three New Brunswick adult woman with prediabetes while participating in a nurse guided

lifestyle intervention. Roya's committee included a stakeholder Physician and is a great example of the benefits of engaging community partners as a way of enhancing student research and evidence-informed practice potential. Great work Roya!

Please join us in congratulating our students on these exciting achievements!

Please send your research success stories and new publications to Tricia Canning canningt@unb.ca