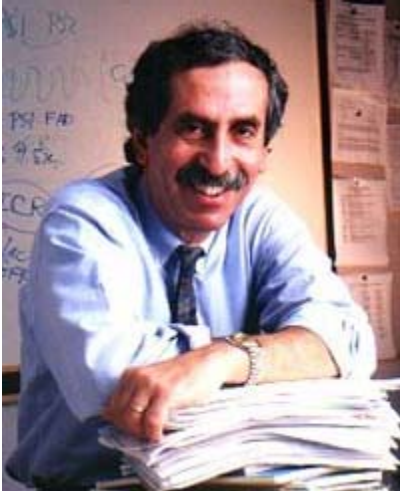


Speaker Biographies for CUExpo 2003



Dr. Alan Bernstein is an internationally respected researcher, mentor and scientific leader in the fields of cancer, hematopoiesis and genomics. He received his Ph.D. in Medical Biophysics at the University of Toronto in 1972. Following postdoctoral work at the Imperial Cancer Research Fund Laboratories in London (UK), he joined the Ontario Cancer Institute and University of Toronto in 1974. He has been a Professor of Molecular and Medical Genetics since 1984. In 1985, Dr. Bernstein moved to Mount Sinai Hospital as head of Molecular and Developmental Biology of its Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute. Three years later he became Associate Director and then Director in 1994, a position he held until June 2002 when he was appointed the inaugural President of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR). A productive scientist, Dr. Bernstein is the author or co-author of over 200 research articles. He has made key contributions to our understanding of embryonic development, hematopoiesis, cancer and formation of the cardiovascular system. His work has also been important in advancing techniques for gene therapy and the genetic analysis of mammalian development. Dr. Bernstein has received numerous awards for his contributions, including the McLaughlin Medal of the Royal Society of Canada, the Genetics Society of Canada Award of Excellence, the 2001 Australian Society for Medical Research Medal, and the Order of Canada.

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Armand Carrière is the Deputy Director of the Office of University Partnerships (OUP) at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). OUP is HUD's primary vehicle to encourage and expand the efforts of colleges and universities that are striving to make a difference in their communities. As Deputy Director Mr. Carriere provides management continuity to the office that is traditionally lead by a visiting scholar/administrator from the academic community on a year-long appointment. Mr. Carriere joined the Office of University Partnerships (OUP) in 1998 as a Grants Management Specialist. His duties included monitoring and providing technical assistance to a variety of university-community partnership programs including the Community Outreach Center (COPC) program, the Historically Black College and University (HBCU) program, the Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities (HSIAC) program, the Alaskan Native/Native Hawaiian (ANNH) program, the Community Development Work Study Program (CDWSP), and the most recent addition to the OUP portfolio, the Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP). Mr. Carriere came to OUP from the HUD Training Academy where he helped develop HUD's national Community Builders training program. His other responsibilities with the Training Academy included the HUD Executive Development Program and the Community First Leadership Program. Prior to joining the HUD Headquarters Training Academy in 1995, Mr. Carriere worked as the Regional Training Officer in HUD's Mid-Atlantic regional office in Philadelphia for 7 years. Mr. Carriere has a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Rhode Island and a M.A. in Student Personnel Work from Ohio State University. He resides in Washington, DC with his bride of 30 years.



Bill Coderre obtained his doctorate in Semiconductor Physics at the University of Ottawa in 1969. He has had a career since then in industrial and government research organizations, in research, in management, in policy development and in diplomacy. Currently he is the Director of Corporate Development at the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). Prior to this in 1995-99 Bill was Science and Technology Counselor at the Canadian Mission to the European Union. In the period 1991-95, he was Senior Science and Technology Policy Advisor at Industry Canada and Secretary to the National Advisory Board on S&T (NABST). Earlier responsibilities included Director General of the Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) at the National Research Council of Canada (NRC) and Manager of Research Marketing and Manager of Display Device Development at Bell Northern Research (BNR).



Dr. Gurstein is currently a Visiting Professor in the School of Management at the New Jersey Institute of Technology and a Principal with Michael Gurstein & Associates, Vancouver BC specializing in community based technology applications. A Canadian, he completed a B.A. at the University of Saskatchewan in Canada and a Ph.D. at the University of Cambridge and was a senior public servant in the Provinces of British Columbia and Saskatchewan. From 1992-95 Dr. Gurstein was a Management Advisor with the United Nations Secretariat in New York and during 1995-99 Dr. Gurstein was the ECBC/NSERC/SSHRC Associate Chair in the Management of Technological Change at the University College of Cape Breton and the Founder Director of the Centre for Community and Enterprise Networking. His publications include "Community Informatics: Enabling Communities with Information and Communications Technologies" (Idea Group, 2000); "Burying Coal: Research and Development in a Marginal Community" Collective Press, Vancouver and "Community Innovation Systems: ICT and Development in a Rural and Remote Community" UCCB Press Spring 2002. Until his recent appointment, Dr. Gurstein was on the Board of the Vancouver Community Network, the British Columbia Community Networking Association, Telecommunities Canada, and a Charter Member of the Steering Committee of the Global Community Networking Partnership. Dr. Gurstein is receiving wide recognition for his work as a pioneer in the burgeoning area of Community Informatics. He has recently been invited to give Keynote addresses at the JFK Kennedy School at Harvard University, at the United Nations—International Year of the Aged, the Institute of Advanced Studies--UCLA, the University of Missouri, Renselaar Polytechnic and in Australia, Italy, Argentina, and the UK. He is a regular review panelist for the US National Science Foundation, the US Department of Commerce/NTIA, and the World Bank and has recently been invited to be the international co-Chair of a major conference on ICT's and Civil Society to be held in Russia in 2003 sponsored by the Interparliamentary Association of the Commonwealth of Independent States. In late 2002, Dr. Gurstein was awarded a substantial grant from the Ford Foundation to support his research work in the area of Community Informatics.



George E. Lafond is currently Special Advisor to the President on Aboriginal Initiatives at the University of Saskatchewan. Before his appointment to the President's office. Mr. Lafond was a tribal leader of the Saskatoon Tribal Council from 1995-2002. Before that, he was also president of the Canada Council for Aboriginal Business in Toronto in the mid 80's. He has previously served as policy advisor to federal ministry of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. As a First Nations person from Muskeg Lake Cree Nation, he has worked as a teacher at Bedford Road Collegiate and is extensively involved at the community level in sports. He continues to be involved in heritage preservation at Muskeg Lake Cree Nation and works closely with the Elders in that community. George has served the wider community through participation in the founding Board of Wanuskewin, the United Way, the Banff Centre for Management and SaskEnergy.



Steven Lewis is a partner in Access Consulting Ltd. and the former CEO of both the Saskatchewan's Health Services Utilization and Research Commission and the Saskatchewan Health Research Board. Since 1974, he has been a health services researcher, research administrator, and health policy analyst and consultant. He has worked in government (provincial and federal), in an applied health research centre, granting agency administrator, and as a private consultant. He led the Striking the Balance Working Group of the National Forum on Health and has delivered over 100 keynote addresses, presentations, and lectures over the past decade.



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On June 01, 2001, UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan appointed **Stephen Lewis** as his Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa. From 1995 to 1999, Mr. Lewis was Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF at the organization's global headquarters in New York. He was first appointed as Special Representative for UNICEF in 1990. In that capacity, he spoke and travelled regularly, acting as a spokesperson for UNICEF's passionate advocacy of the rights and needs of children, especially children of the developing world. In 1997, in addition to his work at UNICEF, Mr. Lewis was appointed by the Organization of African Unity to a Panel of Eminent Personalities to Investigate the Genocide in Rwanda. The Rwanda Report' was issued in June of 2000. In 1993, he became coordinator for the international study -- known as the Machel study -- on the "Consequences of Armed Conflict on Children". The report was tabled in the United Nations in 1995. From 1984 through 1988, Stephen Lewis was Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations. In this capacity, he chaired the Committee that drafted the Five-Year UN Programme on African Economic Recovery. He also chaired the first International Conference on Climate Change, which drew up the first comprehensive policy on global warming. Prior to his nomination as Ambassador, Mr. Lewis was a noted radio and television commentator, and during this time he also became a prominent labor relations arbitrator. In the 1960s and 1970s, Stephen Lewis was an elected representative to the Ontario Legislature, becoming leader of the New Democratic Party and leader of the Official Opposition. Mr. Lewis holds 16 honorary degrees from Canadian universities. In 2003, he was appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest honour for lifetime achievement. Stephen Lewis is married to Michele Landsberg, feminist columnist with the *Toronto Star*; they have three grown children; Ilana, Avi and Jenny.



Jonathan Lomas is the Executive Director of the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, a national organization dedicated to improving the relevance and use of health services research for decision-makers in the health sector. He grew up in Britain and did his undergraduate training in experimental psychology at Oxford University before coming to Canada as a Commonwealth Scholar. His background includes work or training in psychology, health economics, epidemiology, political science, and management. From 1982-1997 he was a Professor of Health Policy Analysis at McMaster University where he co-founded the Centre for Health Economics and Policy Analysis - an applied research group with a strong emphasis on research dissemination and uptake. He is also an Associate of the Population Health Programme of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research. He is a past member of the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Advisory Committee to Deputy Ministers on Health Services, the Ontario Premier's Council on Health, Well-being and Social Justice, the Interim Governing Council of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, and the Board of the U.S. Association of Health Service Research. He has published two books and numerous articles and chapters in the area of health policy and health services research. His main interest is in the impact and transfer of evidence for decision-making. In Canada, he has been a consultant to the national and provincial governments, as well as providing research and advice to various non-governmental organizations, task forces and inquiries. His interest in international health issues is strong and reflected in consultancies for the World Health Organization, the World Bank, the International Development Research Centre and the Rockefeller Foundation in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, The Philippines, South Korea, Myanmar (Burma), Thailand and Australia. He has been a Visiting Professor at University of Gadjah Mada in Indonesia (1990) and at the University of Sydney, Australia, where he was also a Visiting Scholar in the Department of Health of the New South Wales Government (1996/97).



Peter McCann, Born in England, Peter attended University in Edinburgh, Scotland, graduating with majors in biochemistry and microbiology. He worked in a variety of management positions in the food and beverage processing industries in England, Scotland, Sweden, Malta, Newfoundland, Ontario, Alberta and Saskatchewan. He served as President of Prairie Malt Ltd. in Biggar, Saskatchewan and was the founder and first President of Great Western Brewing Company in Saskatoon. In 1994 he founded and became the first President of the BioProducts Centre based at Innovation Place, the University of Saskatchewan research park and in 1995 he led the formation of the Canadian Value Added Cereals Consortium and then Saskatchewan Nutraceuticals Network. In January 1997, Peter was appointed President of Ag-West Biotech Inc where current priorities include evaluation of business plans and research proposals with a view to financial investment and mentoring. He has been involved in the start-up of eight life sciences companies and was instrumental in assisting several multinational life sciences companies to establish themselves in Saskatchewan. He is frequently called upon to provide input to federal and provincial life sciences policy development and is directly involved in regulatory affairs around environmental and food safety issues. Peter sits on the Boards of numerous Canadian agbiotech organizations including several private companies as well as National Research Council Plant Biotechnology Institute, Genome Prairie, Bioproducts Canada, BioCap Foundation, Biotechnology Human Resources Canada and Canadian Agri-Food Marketing Council (CAMC). He has served as an elected Alderman on Saskatoon City Council since 1982.



Ovide Mercredi, a Cree, lawyer, negotiator, author, lecturer in Native Studies, and activist on behalf of First Nations in Canada, was born into a traditional trapping, hunting and fishing lifestyle in Grand Rapids, Manitoba, in 1946. Graduate of the University of Manitoba Law School, he was, during the 80's, deeply involved in constitutional law reform issues, and Aboriginal and Treaty rights negotiations, and acted as a key adviser in First Nations opposition to the Meech Lake Accord and in 1989 he was elected Manitoba Vice-Chief of the Assembly of First Nations. Ovide Mercredi was first elected National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations in 1991, and went on to serve two terms as National Chief, completing his term in 1997. During this time he earned a reputation as a skilled negotiator, an articulate and eloquent spokesman, statesman, a political activist committed to traditions of non-violence and peaceful conflict resolution, and as a tireless advocate on behalf of his people. He led the First Nations negotiations in the Charlottetown Accord. In Canada, Ovide Mercredi has spoken at hundreds of venues, from small community gatherings, to universities and colleges throughout Canada, and at local, provincial, national and international organisations and conferences on a wide variety of topics including health, education, politics, native issues, law and government, natural resource issues, human rights, treaties, the environment and Canadian unity. He has addressed the United Nations both in Geneva and New York. He has spoken in India, Australia, Great Britain, Scotland and Germany and addressed the Navaho legislature in the United States, as well as lectured at various American Universities. Since 1997 he has held visiting professorships at the Universities of Lethbridge, Sudbury, and McMaster, lecturing in the areas of philosophy, political studies, religious studies and native studies, and has lectured frequently at the McGill- McConnell Management Program, McGill University and is a regular lecturer at the Queen's Executive Development Centre, Queen's School of Business. He has also acted as advisor to the current National Chief, Matthew Cooncome and continues to act as advisor to various bands and tribal organizations. He is the recipient of numerous awards and honours including three honorary Doctorates of Law, the Thakore Foundation Award, Three- time Canadian Nominee by the Mahatma Gandhi Foundation for World Peace, for the Gandhi Prize, the Golden Eagle Outstanding Citizen Award, the Peace Award and the 2000 Canadian Peace Award (Multicultural). Mr. Mercredi has published a collection of his speeches in a book, *In the Rapids- Navigating the Future of First Nations* and has also contributed articles to two recent books: *Dismantling Democracy –The Multilateral Agreement on Investment and Its Impact*, and *Great Questions of Canada*. He is the subject of two Canadian film documentaries, "***Our Home and Native Land***" and "***Half a World Apart and a Lifetime Away***".



John O'Neil received his Ph.D. in 1983 from the University of California (San Francisco-Berkeley) in medical anthropology and is currently a Professor and Director of the Centre for Aboriginal Health Research and Head of the Department of Community Health Sciences in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba. He also chairs the Advisory Board of the Institute for Aboriginal People's Health at the Canadian Institutes for Health Research and is a CIHR Senior Investigator. From 1993-1996 he was the Research Advisor to the Health and Social Policy Team for the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. He has published over seventy-five papers and several monographs on a variety of Aboriginal health issues including self-government and health services, perceptions of environmental health risks, birthing options in remote communities, and health communication.



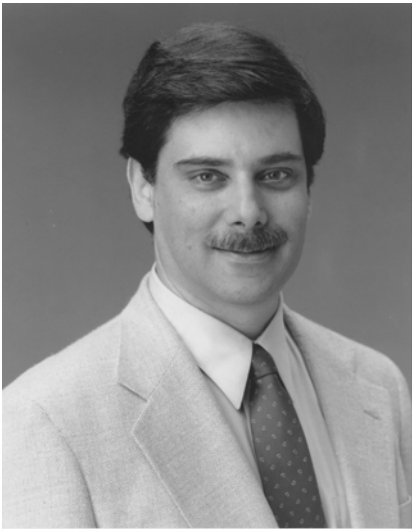
Judy Rebick is the CAW-Sam Gindin Chair in Social Justice and Democracy at Ryerson University in Toronto. Judy is the publisher of *rabble.ca*, Canada's most popular progressive online publication, as well as a columnist and contributor for several publications including the *Globe and Mail*; *Macleans Magazine* and *Elm Street Magazine*. She is the author of several books, most recently *Imagine Democracy*. For most of the 1990s, Judy was the host of a national TV show on CBC Newsworld. Previously, she was the President of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, Canada's largest women's group. In 1994 she was a Visiting Professor at the University of Saskatchewan and has been teaching at University of Toronto. She is also a Board member of Alternatives, a Quebec-based NGO, the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives and OneWorld International.



Marc Renaud has been president of the Council since 1997. In addition to serving on the boards for the Canadian Foundation for Innovation and for the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, he also serves on various committees for the Networks of Centres of Excellence, the Interim Governing Council of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and the Canada Research Chairs Program. A professor in the department of sociology at the Université de Montréal since 1975, Dr. Renaud also served as president of the Conseil québécois de la recherche sociale and has been a Webster Fellow of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research since 1993. He was also the director of the Groupe de recherche sur les aspects sociaux de la santé et de la prévention (GRASP) from 1984 to 1991 and an active member of the National Forum on Health chaired by the Prime Minister. In 1992, he was elected to the Royal Society of Canada and two years later, he was awarded the Prix de l'auteur de l'année by Interface and the Silver Award for Innovative Management from the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Collège Saint-Viateur, followed by a bachelor of science and a master's degree in sociology from the Université de Montréal, and a PhD in sociology from the University of Wisconsin in 1976.



Penelope M. Ayre Rowe is CEO of the Community Services Council Newfoundland and Labrador - a social planning, research and service organization - and Director of the Values Added Community University Research Alliance. She is committed to bringing participants from different sectors together to consider research and policy issues and played a key role in the development of the Strategic Social Plan released by the provincial government in 1998. She has organized numerous national policy conferences including the Biennial Social Welfare Policy Conference and will host a national symposium on Welfare to Work programs in the fall of 2003. For eleven years Penelope was Chair of the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission and has served on the Boards of the Canadian Council on Social Development, the Canadian-Health-Network and the National Council of Welfare. She is vice president of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, a member of the national Voluntary Sector Leadership Forum and part of a consortium undertaking a national survey on non-profit and voluntary organizations. She holds a masters degree from the London School of Economics.



Victor Rubin is Director of Research at PolicyLink. A member of the senior management team, he coordinates a wide range of knowledge-building activities linked to action, from literature reviews and surveys of practitioners to analyses of complex urban policy initiatives. He is PolicyLink's liaison to universities and other research organizations and networks. He joined PolicyLink after serving as director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of University Partnerships, where he was responsible for the development of new programs, initiatives, and publications. There he administered a \$23 million annual budget for grants to institutions of higher education for local partnerships and support of students in community development fields. Under his direction, the Office's grants expanded and diversified to include more community colleges and Hispanic-serving institutions, as well as more research about how to improve the effectiveness of the partnerships. He directed the HUD initiative on "Teaching and Learning for Community Building" that brought together more than 100 instructors, practitioners, and students to share curricula and program plans. At PolicyLink, Rubin is continuing to support the civic engagement of higher education and the teaching of community-building skills and knowledge. Before joining HUD for a one-year appointment, Rubin served for 13 years as Director of Research and Community Programs of the University-Oakland Metropolitan Forum, a partnership based at the University of California, Berkeley's Institute of Urban and Regional Development. Rubin was responsible for the design and supervision of research, planning and technical assistance on economic development, employment and training, neighborhood revitalization, urban design, and education, working with faculty, students, community-based organizations and local government. Rubin has served for five years as a principal analyst in the firm of Berkeley Planning Associates, providing policy research and program evaluation in the areas of child care, youth development, and employment training, through numerous contracts with state, federal and local agencies. Rubin has also been a lecturer in urban studies, public administration and planning at three Bay Area universities, most recently Adjunct Associate Professor in City and Regional Planning at UC Berkeley. Rubin earned a Ph.D. in 1986, from the Department of City and Regional Planning at the University of California-Berkeley, and a M.C.P. eleven years prior. His Bachelor of Arts degree was in Public Affairs at the University of Chicago, in 1973. He is the author of articles in numerous journals for scholars and practitioners, including the *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, the *Urban and Social Change Review* and the *Children's Advocate*. His latest publication, *High School Career Academies: A Pathway to Educational Reform in Urban School Districts?*, a book co-authored with Nan L. Maxwell, was released by the W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research in November 2000. A native of Montreal, he lives in Oakland, California.



Dr. Bill Thomlinson is currently Director of the Canadian Light Source Synchrotron facility in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He is the former Head of the Medical Research Group at the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF) in Grenoble, France. He has published more than 120 papers and has made many contributions to the worldwide synchrotron community. He has led a highly successful medical imaging beamline group at the ESRF for the past three years. He helped start lung and mammography imaging, and in 2000, led the first human angiography (blood vessel imaging) studies at the ESRF. Prior to joining the ESRF, he was from 1979 through 1998 a member of the scientific staff and management group at the National Synchrotron Light Source, Brookhaven National Laboratory, in Upton, New York, ultimately serving as Associate Chair for Environment, Safety and Health. At Brookhaven, he also created and led the successful Synchrotron Medical Research Facility, a multi-discipline facility devoted to medical research. 1996, Thomlinson and three other scientists invented and patented a diffraction-enhanced imaging technique for applications to mammography and other medical imaging problems. There are now similar programs at Brookhaven and major European synchrotrons. 1981, he joined the Stanford University/Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory (SSRL) angiography project as a collaborator. In 1986, he participated in the first coronary angiography experiments at SSRL. Prior to 1979, Thomlinson was a research scientist in low temperature and solid-state physics at Brookhaven National Laboratory, a Department of Energy (DOE) laboratory on Long Island, New York. During the early 70s, he worked as a research associate at Cornell University and later as a physicist in Germany. He received his doctorate from Yale University in 1970.

Thomlinson is also an avid runner who has competed in several marathons. Although not running marathons any more, he still averages more than five kilometres a day out on the trails. He also enjoys the outdoors by engaging in birdwatching, hiking in the Alps, and camping. While on Long Island, he became an experienced sailor, a pastime that he hopes continue in Saskatchewan.



Honourable Judge Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond is the First Treaty Indian appointed as a judge in Saskatchewan. She has been sitting as a Provincial Court Judge in Saskatoon since 1998. Judge Lafond is a member of the Muskeg Lake Cree Nation. Prior to her appointment, Judge Lafond was a practicing lawyer in Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan and a tenured professor of law at Dalhousie University Faculty of Law. Judge Lafond has taught law at a number of schools, including the University of Toronto and the University of Notre Dame. She has represented First Nation individuals and organizations for over 15 years; including the Native Women's Association of Canada; the Assembly of First Nations; the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs; the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, among others. Judge Lafond has several degrees and is one of the most highly educated judges in Saskatchewan. She holds a B.A. (Carleton University), LL.B (Osgoode Hall Law School), LL.M (Cambridge University) and a doctorate in law from Harvard University. Judge Lafond has worked for many years to build bridges between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples, based on the teaching of the Elders of kindness and respect. While this work has presented many challenges, especially over the past few years on the bench, Judge Lafond believes that the future will be built through First Nations being involved in all levels of Canadian society as equals and with recognition of the distinct heritage and rights of all peoples. Judge Lafond was chosen by Time Magazine in 1994 as one of the 100 Global Leaders. In September 1999, Time Magazine again named her as one of the top 20 Canadian Leaders for the next millennium.



Bruce Waygood is the current University Co-ordinator of Health Research and professor of biochemistry at the University of Saskatchewan. He informs health researchers at both Saskatchewan universities of funding opportunities, encourages applications and promotes collaborations among researchers from a broad range of health-related areas. An active researcher and professor, Dr. Bruce Waygood joined the U of S biochemistry department in 1977. He has published 66 peer-reviewed papers, many of which have been carried in highly respected international journals, and given several invitational lectures. Waygood has also served on numerous university committees and has been active in Saskatoon community affairs. As the voice for health research in Saskatchewan, Waygood works with the provincial and federal governments to ensure adequate support for health research in the province. He also plays a lead role in Saskatchewan's response to initiatives of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the major federal agency responsible for funding health research in Canada. He works with the University of Regina to share information about health research funding opportunities and foster collaboration between university researchers.