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MAKING A DIFFERENCE: 2011 SHOWCASE OF APPLIED HEALTH RESEARCH CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

(Thunder Bay, ON, October 12, 2010) The Research Department at St. Joseph's Care Group (SJCG) invites health researchers to showcase their work at our annual "Making a Difference: 2011 Showcase of Health Research." This event provides a unique forum for researchers to disseminate their work. Moreover, health care providers and students are exposed to research that can be incorporated into clinical practice.

Dr. Michel Bédard, Scientific Director at SJCG, says "Health research is extremely vibrant in northwestern Ontario and hundreds of researchers and clinicians have taken part in our previous conferences. Researchers need opportunities to showcase their work and St. Joseph's Care Group is a leader in supporting such initiatives."

The objectives of the Research Showcase are:

1. To provide a forum for the dissemination of health research relevant to Northwestern Ontarians;
2. To facilitate research uptake in clinical practice; and
3. To foster the opportunity for networking and research partnerships.

Researchers are invited to submit abstracts of health research ranging from prevention to service delivery and from basic to applied research. The deadline for submission of abstracts is November 26, 2010.

The conference will take place on Friday, February 4, 2011. For more information or to receive a copy of the call for abstracts, please contact Carrie Gibbons, Research Coordinator at 343-4300, ext. 4404 or gibbonsc@tbh.net.

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