



Canadian Society for the History of Medicine

Annual Conference

26 – 28 May 2012

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Saturday 26 May

8:30 – 10:00

Session 1: Premodern Medicine I
Moderator: Steven Bednarski

"Scholarly Medical Treatises versus Lay Documents: Understanding Social Practices against Contagion in 15th-16th Century England." Lori Jones, University of Ottawa*

"So that one woman may help another in her sickness": The Intended Audiences for Women's Healthcare Manuals and the Emergent Vernacular Medical Culture of Late-Medieval England." Ashlee Bligh, York University*

"Pain and the Surgical Process in England, circa 1620-1740." Katherine A. Walker, McMaster University.

Session 2: Reproductive Technologies
Moderator: Shannon Stettner

"'Pretty Pioneering-Spirited People'": The Early Days of Genetic Counseling, 1947-1980." Devon Stillwell, McMaster University.*

"Reproductive Technologies and Maternal Responsibility." Jen Rinaldi, York University.*

"The social shaping of RU486 in Canada: A historical case study and sociotechnical analysis." Trish Campbell, University of Calgary.*

10:00-10:30 Refreshments

VIU Alumni Reception

10:30 – 12:00

- Session 3 Neurology: Seizures, Ears and Eyes
- “Seizures, Secrets, and the Death of a Dionne in Medicine’s Golden Age, 1934-1954.” Rachel Elder, University of Pennsylvania.*
- “Creating Public and Professional Trust in Aural Surgery, 1830-1845.” Jaipreet Viridi, University of Toronto.*
- “Credé’s Prophylaxis and Preventable Blindness in Early Twentieth Ontario: More than Meets the Eye.” Bonnie Heath, York University.*
- Session 4 The Womb
- “‘Pas suffisamment instruites en methods’: The education of rural midwives in Gascogne 1810-1834.” Morag Martin, SUNY Brockport.*
- “‘The Luxurious Daughters of Artificial Life’: Women, Pain and Childbirth in Canadian Prescriptive Literature, 1870-1910. Whitney Wood, Wilfrid Laurier University.*
- “Heads, Hearts, Stomachs, and Bowels: Uterine analogies in premodern anatomical writing.” Amanda Lepp, Queen’s University.*
- Session 5 Reproduction and the State
Moderator: Tracy Penny Light
- “Changing approaches to abortion in SA’s public health sector, c. 1980 – 2010.” Rebecca Hodes, University of Cape Town.
- “From Birth Control to Sex Control: Unruly Young Women and the Origins of the National Abstinence-Only Mandate.” J. Shoshanna Ehrlich, University of Massachusetts Boston.
- “Contested Terrain: Aboriginal Women, Coercive Sterilization, and the Struggle Over Land.” Karen Stote, University of New Brunswick.
- 12:00 – 1:00 - Lunch break
- Graduate Student Publishing Workshop
- 1:00 – 2:30
- Session 6 Medicine at the Margins: Alcohol and Poverty
Moderator: Cheryl Warsh

“‘Shameful poor’ to ‘respectable patient’: Transitions over a century.” Janice Harvey, Dawson College.

“‘Addicted to the habit of an inebriate’s diseased appetite’? Terminology and meaning in the history of drug and alcohol use in Canada, 1867-1908.” Dan Malleck, Brock University.

“More than a ‘Tippling Habit’? Debates about Alcohol Consumption at the Toronto Temporary Asylum, 1845-1848.” Danielle Terbenche, University of Waterloo

Session 7 Alcohol & Drug Advertising & body Image

“‘Equilibre du diabète’: Advertising and diabetes treatment in transformation, France (1925-1980).” Tricia Close Koenig, Université de Strasbourg.

“Debating Dexatrim: Advertising, Body Image, and the Media Struggle over Safety and Efficacy.” Lucas Richert, University of Saskatchewan.

“Gender, Spirits and Beer: Representing Female and Male Bodies in Canadian Alcohol Ads, 1930s-1940s.” Cheryl Krasnick Warsh, Vancouver Island University and Greg Marquis, University of New Brunswick.

2:30 – 3:00 – Refreshments

3:00 – 4:30

Session 8 Medical Responses to Health Issues

“The Influence of Walter Freeman on the Psychosurgery Era in Ontario.” Brianne M. Collins & Henderikus J. Stam,* University of Calgary.

« Polio Hysteria » : Réponses de la société montréalaise à l’épidémie de poliomyélite de 1946 à travers le débat de la rentrée scolaire, Valerie Poirier, UQAM

“Infant Feeding: Medicine’s Entanglement with Consumer Culture, 1950-1960,” Alisha Pol, University of Waterloo

“Sex in the City? Examining the Syphilis ‘Outbreak’ in Toronto, 2000-2010,” Myriam Nafte, McMaster University

Session 9 Popping Pills
Moderator: Shannon Stettner

"United States Pharmacies and access to the Morning-After Pill." Lori A. Brown, Syracuse University.

"Pillow Talk: Unmarried Canadian Women and the First Generation of Oral Contraceptives." Christabelle Sethna, University of Ottawa.

"Reproductive Injustice: PEI women's experiences accessing the morning after pill and clandestine chemical abortions trying to avoid an off-island journey for abortion services." Colleen MacQuarrie, University of Prince Edward Island.

Sunday 27 May

8:30 – 10:00

Session 10 Mind and Health I

"Inadequate Indians": The Psychiatric creation of the "Aboriginal Mind." Kathryn McKay, Simon Fraser University.*

"Spirit, Mind and Body: Alternative Medicine and Mystical Practice in the Church of Divine Revelation and the Radiant Healing Center of St. Catharines Ontario 1928-1935." Beth Robertson, Carleton University.*

"Déhospitalisation psychiatrique : pratiques de soins et d'insertion sociale au sein de la communauté francophone est-ontarienne, 1976-2006." Sandra Harrison, Université d'Ottawa.

Session 11 External Pressures on Healthcare

"The recognition of medical oncology as a new medical specialty in Québec." Anne-Julie Houle, L'Université de Montréal.*

"Hospital Mergers in the Early Nineteenth Century: The Apostolic Visit, Rome, 1825." Jacalyn Duffin, Queen's University.

"Red Blood: Norman Bethune's Mobile Blood Transfusion Unit and the Influence of the Spanish Civil War on Emergency Medical Preparations in London, 1936–1939." Nick Whitfield, McGill University.

Session 12 Abortion Activism
Moderator: Tracy Penny Light

"My Uterus Belongs to Me!": Feminism, Colonialism and the Struggle over Abortion Law Reform in South Africa Under Apartheid (1948-1990)." Susanne Klausen, Carleton University.

"'We Are Forced to Declare War': Linkages between the 1970 Abortion Caravan and Anti-Vietnam War Activism." Shannon Stettner, York University.

"Defending their Rights: Anti-Abortion Activism and Identity Politics in the New Brunswick Abortion Debate, 1980-1994." Katrina Ackerman, University of Waterloo.*

10:00 – 10:30 – Refreshments

10:30 – 12:00

Session 13 Paterson Plenary Lecture

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"The Medievalist and the Microbiologist: How Plague and Leprosy Have Opened Up New Perspectives on the History of Medicine." Monica H. Green, Arizona State University.

12:00 – 1:00 – Lunch break

1:00 – 2:30

Session 14 Nurses

"Negotiating Professional Identities: Nursing-Orderlies' Place and Function in the Canadian Military, 1939-1945." Michelle Filice, Sir Wilfrid Laurier University.*

"Les élites intellectuelles infirmières : contribution et impact, 1924-2004." Evy Nazon, Université d'Ottawa.*

"'I don't think I want a career with this WHO': The Challenges of International Nursing for WHO Nurse Margaret Campbell Jackson in Iran, 1954-6." Lydia Wytenbroek, Trinity Western University.*

Session 15 Body, Sex, and Health in the Caribbean

"Unruly Subjects : Male bodies, Sexual health, and the colonial moral order in late nineteenth-century Barbados." Denise Challenger, York University.*

"Sex, Health, and Population Growth: Combatting Venereal Disease in the British Caribbean, 1914-1930." Juanita De Barros, McMaster University.

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Session 16 Health & Popular Culture

"The Sunshine Cure: modern medicine, the natural world, and the popularization of suntanning in North America, 1880-1940." Sarah Shropshire, University of Guelph.*

"Modern and Postmodern Perspectives in Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Company's Advertising." Annie Robinson, Columbia University.*

"Histories of the Pill: Unpacking the history of oral contraception in Canadian public images and texts." Lisa Smith, Carleton University.*

Session 17 Medical Education

"Reconsidering disability activism: Everyday activism in the lives of English-speaking Canadians with Polio in the 1940s and 50s." Karen Yoshida and Fady Shanouda,* University of Toronto.

"The History of Medicine and Canadian Medical Education." Margaret Olszewski* and Jonathan Fuller,* University of Toronto

"Too Many Doctors: Closing the Doors to International Medical Graduates in Canada, c.1976-1991." David Wright, McGill University.

4:30 – 6:00

CSHM Book Launch and Champagne Reception

7:00 – 10:00

CSHM Dinner (Pay as you Go) – Morty's Pub, Waterloo

Monday 28 May

8:30 – 10:00

Session 18 Technology, Medicine, Reproduction
Moderator:

“The Patient Labor of Reproductive Care: The Contested History of Fertility Charting and Female Physiology.” Deanna Day, University of Pennsylvania.

“For Their Own Good: The Politics of Medicalizing Infertility within the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.” Tanya Daley, University of Ottawa.

“Birth control or ‘red’ regime?” Lorne Beswick, Queen's University.*

Session 19 Medical Research
Moderator: Jacalyn Duffin

“‘We will all try not to get sick’: Nutrition Research in Aboriginal Communities and Residential Schools, 1942-1952.” Ian Mosby, University of Guelph.

“Workplace Disability and Industrial Hygiene: The Case of Silicotic Miners and the McIntyre Research Foundation, 1936-1955.” Nancy Forestell, St. Francis Xavier University.

“Research versus Relief: the Rockefeller Foundation, UNRRA and the Evolution of International Health Work, 1939-1948.” Casey Hurrell, Queen's University.*

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Session 20 Mind and Health II

“Le Langage du care pour comprendre l'expérience ‘transinstitutionnelle’ de la clientèle psychiatrique francophone de l'Est ontarien.” Marie-Claude Thifault, Université d'Ottawa.

“La guerre contre la folie : les thérapies de choc en Allemagne et au Canada, 1920 – 1950.” Thomas Foth & Isabelle Perreault, Université d'Ottawa.

"Hysteria From Below: Experiences of Illness from the Perspective of Patients and Psychiatrists at Johns Hopkins Hospital, 1913-1917." Susan Lamb, McGill University.

Session 21 Premodern Medicine II (Co-Sponsored with the Canadian Historical Association and Funded by the CFSSH)
Moderator: Steven Bednarski

"Le 'bien public' et les politiques de santé dans la ville de Montpellier à la fin du Moyen Âge / The 'Common good' and Health Policies in the Late Medieval Town of Montpellier. " Geneviève Dumas, Université de Sherbrooke.

"Midwives, Women's Bodies, and Their Secrets in Late Medieval Manosque." Caley McCarthy, McGill University.*

"The contours and implications for human health of late antique and early medieval cattle pestilences." Tim Newfield, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.