The O'Brien Institute for Public Health &
the Department of Community Health Sciences present:

What can the Canadian Longitudinal Centre on Aging (CLSA) do for you?
What data is being collected and how you can access it

Speakers: Dr. David B. Hogan, Ann Toohey and Raynell McDonough

Friday, February 23, 2018 - 12:00 to 12:50 p.m.
G500 - Health Sciences Centre, 3330 Hospital Dr NW

We will present an overview of the CLSA as a rich data source available to researchers, and provide examples of projects that have used the first waves of released data. We will discuss how to request access to CLSA data and identify local sources of assistance to obtain it. We will also showcase a partnership between the Centre on Aging and the City of Calgary’s Age-Friendly Calgary team, as an illustration of ways that CLSA data can be used to help inform public policy.

Panelists:

Dr. David B. Hogan, Calgary Site Principal Investigator for the CLSA
Dr. Hogan is the Academic Lead of the Centre on Aging and a specialist in geriatric medicine. He founded the Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Medicine at the University of Calgary in 1990 and served as its Head for 10 years. He was also the first Brenda Strafford Foundation Chair in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Calgary, and has served as Chair of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) Specialty Committee in Geriatric Medicine, Chief Examiner in Geriatric Medicine for the RCPSC, and President of the Canadian Geriatrics Society. David is also a member of the Age Friendly Calgary Steering Committee and the Canadian Consortium on Neurodegeneration in Aging, and is the Calgary Site Principal Investigator of the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging.

Ann Toohey, Scientific Coordinator, Brenda Strafford Centre on Aging
Ann Toohey is the Scientific Coordinator for the Brenda Strafford Centre on Aging. She completed her doctoral studies in the Population & Public Health stream of the University of Calgary's Department of Community Health Sciences. Her inter-disciplinary research program has integrated the health-promoting potential of pets for older adults into understandings of age-friendly cities, and delves into policy implications for promoting aging-in-place.

Raynell McDonough, Issue Strategist, Calgary Neighbourhoods, City of Calgary
Raynell McDonough is an Issue Strategist with Calgary Neighbourhoods at The City of Calgary. She is currently leading the implementation of the cross-departmental, community-wide Age-Friendly Calgary initiative to prepare for an aging population. Raynell holds a BA in Religious Studies from McGill University, and a BSW and MSW with a concentration in gerontology from the University of Calgary. She has been working in the field of gerontology in Calgary for the past 15 years.

Objectives:
1. To understand the methodology behind the CLSA, as well as the rich data that is available for analysis.
2. To consider different types of projects that have or could use CLSA data, as well as different funding sources that are available to support data access.
3. To provide an example of a researcher-policymaker partnership built around an investigation of the links between population-level health data and municipal policy implementation.
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