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PROGRAM OF EVENTS AT THE PHYSICAL EXHIBIT IN MONTREAL | PROGRAMME DES ÉVÉNEMENTS À L'EXPOSITION PHYSIQUE À MONTRÉAL

29-Jul		
10:30 - 10:55 am	Opening Ceremony	Canada Pavilion Team
Being held directly after the AIDS 2022 welcoming ceremony, this opening ceremony will warmly welcome all delegates specifically to the Canada Pavilion and introduce its theme and organizers.		
11:00 - 11:55 am	Our Healthbox: Improving access to HIV self-testing, harm reduction, health and prevention tools in the community	REACH Nexus
This session will present Our Healthbox, which is a tool that leverages innovation in health technology, reaching the undiagnosed individuals with HIV and those with complex and social health needs. These smart vending machines are strategically located nationwide, providing low barrier access to HIV self-testing and harm reduction supplies, and will be assessed based on their impact on the priority populations experiencing systemic and structural barriers to healthcare.		
1:00 - 1:55 pm	Une réponse interreligieuse au VIH dans les églises chrétiennes et les communautés migrantes haïtiennes et africaines vivant à Montréal : le GAP-VIES et son modèle de pratiques exemplaires	Groupe d'Action pour la Prévention de la transmission du VIH et l'Éradication du SIDA (GAP-VIES)
Une présentation magistrale qui résume comment le Groupe d'Action pour la Prévention de la transmission du VIH et pour l'Éradication du SIDA (GAP-VIES) a pu se joindre aux efforts des leaders chrétiens et des leaders du vodou pour promouvoir la santé sexuelle, diminuer la stigmatisation et relever les défis du VIH dans ces milieux religieux. Après la présentation, une période d'échange avec le public est prévue.		
2:00 - 3:30 pm	Women Speak: Community building for and by women living with HIV in Canada	Women Speak Canada
Women Speak Canada will discuss the needs, priorities, and concerns identified by women living with HIV through community consultations, as well as the prevalent gaps in Canada's response and structural support affecting this community. They will also provide a network to learn about the creative and innovative responses toward improving the health and wellbeing of women living with HIV from women, researchers, and policymakers globally.		

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10:30 - 11:25 am	I'm Ready: Improving access to HIV self-testing and linkage to care	REACH Nexus
The first of its kind in Canada, the I'm Ready Test mobile app, available on IOS or Android, smartphones will be introduced. As a signature program of REACH Nexus, the I'm Ready research program is rolling out free HIV Self-test kits to provide low barrier access to home testing to enable participants and their partners to make the best decisions about administering the test.		
11:30 - 12:25 pm	Long term optimal health and wellbeing with HIV: Investigating the Canadian perspective	Realize
Realize is developing a Canadian companion document to the Consensus statement on the role of health systems in advancing the long-term wellbeing of people living with HIV. They will host a deliberative dialogue that welcomes Canadian stakeholders to share their thoughts and experiences, which will inform the companion document.		
12:30 - 1:25 pm	Nurses supporting maternal child health with People living with HIV: Research overview and nurses networking opportunity	L'Association canadienne des infirmières et infirmiers en VIH/sida (ACIIS) \ Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (CANAC)
Nurses are the largest health profession group and essential to health systems globally. CANAC/ACIIS will provide an overview of findings from recent nurse-led research to improve maternal-child health in Miami, United States; Ottawa, Canada; and Port Harcourt, Nigeria. Then, nurses will have an opportunity to network with other nurses working in HIV care worldwide.		
1:30 – 2:10 pm	Breaking the Ice and Building Communities	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Institute of Infection and Immunity (III)
After two long years of virtual engagement, this session will provide the time to reconnect with other Canadian HIV researchers and discuss how your research or community can engage with new or existing HIV/AIDS research programs in Canada. You can meet the Scientific Director of the CIHR-III and learn about CIHR-III HIV/AIDS research priority areas for the next five years!		
2:15 - 3:10 pm	Sisters of Fire Sharing Circle	Sisters of Fire
Sisters of Fire are indigenous women and 2spirit people living positive with HIV/HEP C in Manitoba, who promote working together to learn, stay healthy, and empower and care for ourselves and our community. In this session, they will present the ability to have strong voices and the ways traditional healing and cultural practices are used to focus on supporting one another.		
3:15 - 4:15 pm	Finding (our way back) home: A peer-driven discussion on HIV and housing	Fife House
A peer-driven conversation between people living with HIV will be organized by Fife House to share insights on efforts happening at the local level in Canada. Members of the panel have different educational training and varying involvement in Canada's HIV response, but collectively, the panel will share testimonies of resilience, innovation and solidarity to discuss the unique intersections of Canada's Housing crisis, food security, and immigration.		

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10:30 - 11:15 am	Enhanced Continuity of Care for African, Caribbean and Black Women Newly Diagnosed with HIV	Women's Health in Women's Hands CHC
A women-centred, culturally focused conversation circle with care providers and women living with HIV will be held to address linkage to care, retention in care, and re-engagement for women who are lost to care.		
11:30 - 12:25 pm	A 'Live Circle Conversation' between current CIHR Canadian HIV Trials Network (CTN) Postdoctoral Fellows and Alumni of the Program	CIHR Canadian HIV Trials Network
Two postdoctoral fellows and two alumni will discuss the merits of the CTN Postdoctoral Fellow Program concerning training in patient-facing research and scientific review. They will also discuss their vision of moving forward in "Solidarity. Science. Support" by strengthening collaboration and collegiality amongst fellows and early investigators.		
12:30 - 1:15 pm	CANFAR presents Sexfluent: Canada's leading HIV awareness & prevention resource for youth	CANFAR
CANFAR will present some of the key findings from CANFAR's National Youth Survey, which directly informed the development of Sexfluent. Sexfluent squad members will also present an interactive game, which will take place at CANFAR's Networking Zone in the Youth Pavilion.		
2:15 - 2:55 pm	HIV Made Me Fabulous: Using film to mobilize health research & reduce stigma	Simon Fraser University & LifeAndLoveWithHIV.ca
Simon Fraser University and Life and Love with HIV are excited to share their community-academic approach to knowledge mobilization by, with, and for women living with HIV. The evidence-based film HIV Made Me Fabulous will be screened, and then a lively discussion will be held regarding how they developed the film discussion guide, the dissemination strategy, and preliminary results on the film's influence on viewer knowledge, attitudes and behaviour.		
3:00 - 3:30 pm	Disrupting HIV Stigma	Nine Circles Community Health Centre & University of Manitoba
In this session, participants will view digital stories created by two Indigenous women that are four to five minutes long and focus on how they experience and disrupt HIV-related stigma in their lives. One of the storytellers will describe her specific experience creating her digital story and the actions required by health and social systems to disrupt stigma.		

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10:30 - 11:15 am	Going the same direction: A community-informed research agenda on HIV and aging	Realize
Participants will be introduced to the new Pan-Canadian Research Agenda on HIV, aging and older adulthood, a community-informed plan to optimize the impact of research over five years. Operationalization of the research agenda will ensure that the efforts of research stakeholders are synergistic, centred on the living expertise of aging and older people living with HIV, and lead to effective responses.		
11:30 - 12:30 pm	Exploring the 9Genders within a Crafting Circle	Michael Parsons, Indigenous traditionalist ceremony maker
Michael Parsons will be making Sweetgrass ribbons to distribute to conference participants while discussing how the 9Genders resonate with the participants where gender is concerned. Through conversations with participants, Michael will examine if the 9Genders seems like a safe paradigm for participants to explore their Gender locations and whether they see themselves within the 9Genders.		
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Gigii Bapiimin: Exploring the Impacts of COVID on Indigenous Peoples Living with HIV in Manitoba and Saskatchewan	University of Manitoba
Gigii-Bapiimin is new project that will be presented, which focuses on the impact of COVID-19 on Indigenous people living with HIV in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. This session will provide an overview of the unique considerations of creating community guiding circles consisting of Indigenous people living with HIV in Manitoba and Saskatchewan in the context of setting up new community-based research projects.		
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Photo Exhibition and community dialogue by Katswe Sistahood on SRHR for AGYW GAC funded Project in Zimbabwe	ICASO
ICASO will lead a photo exhibit and facilitate a discussion to highlight successes and challenges. Advocacy to outlaw date rape through legislation and support access to abortion using a campaign will be discussed.		

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10:30 - 11:25 am	HIV/AIDS & Chronic Pain - Challenges and Opportunities	HIV/AIDS & Chronic Pain Society
This session will be focused on HIV/AIDS and chronic pain, challenges and opportunities in research, clinical care and wellness. It will be a conversation circle to promote awareness, knowledge, advocacy, and networking.		
11:30 – 12:15 pm	LetsStopAIDS Sex Lives Report: The Impact of the Pandemic on the Sexual Behaviour of Young Canadians 2022	LetsStopAIDS
LetsStopAIDS will present the findings of the first national survey on the impact of COVID-19 on the sex lives of young Canadians aged 18 to 24. The results demonstrate that the pandemic has had significant effects on their sex lives. For example, more youth are sending nudes and having sex on the first date, and their knowledge of PrEP is only 26%.		
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Meet CaHNDIS - The Canada HIV and Disability Project by Realize	Realize
Realize will present its Canada HIV and Disability (CaHNDIS) Project, aimed at breaking the silos between the HIV and disability movements. This presentation will describe the project objectives, which include mapping existing HIV resources and services across Canada tailored for people living with disabilities, identifying gaps in support, and enabling appropriate referrals, testing, and treatment.		

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