



**Manitoba Palliative Care Research Unit  
Post-Doctoral Fellowship Opportunity:  
2009-2011**



The Manitoba Palliative Care Research Unit (MPCRU), in conjunction with Wyeth pharmaceuticals and CIHR, is pleased to offer a two-year post-doctoral fellowship in palliative care research. The MPCRU has a long history of successful interdisciplinary research, conducted in collaboration with our regional palliative care network. Post-doctoral fellows would have the opportunity to work and learn within this exciting academic milieu, in order to hone their skills in palliative care research.

The MPCRU strives to combine the university's expertise with the experience of those who work in the field of palliative care to create innovative, new ways of improving the care of patients and families at the end of life. Within our post-doctoral program, experts from a wide range of disciplines share in the goal of developing palliative care research scholars.

The fellow will be based at the MPCRU housed at CancerCare Manitoba and work in collaboration with Dr. Harvey Max Chochinov, Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and Director of the MPCRU. The post-doctoral fellowship will involve work on research projects and the development of new initiatives. Current MPCRU initiatives include: exploring areas of end-of-life distress; testing the Patient Dignity Inventory with psychosocial clinicians and in different patient populations; exploring issues in the delivery of end-of-life care for cancer and non-cancer patients and their families; addressing the vulnerability of disabled people at the end of life; pursuing knowledge about patients' experience with weight loss in advanced cancer.

Preferred candidates would have completed a PhD in the past two years, have an excellent academic record, some record of publication and have a strong research vision. Applicants must be eligible for CIHR funding (<http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/>).

Interested applicants from medicine, nursing, psychology, social work, or relevant health or social science backgrounds should contact the following individual to discuss the potential fit of their program of research with the MPCRU research program.

Applications should send their resume, in confidence to: e-mail: [angela.saj@cancercare.mb.ca](mailto:angela.saj@cancercare.mb.ca) or mail: Angela Saj, Administrative Assistant, Manitoba Palliative Care Research Unit, CancerCare Manitoba, 3017-675 McDermot Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3E 0V9 Telephone: (204)787-4923. We thank all interested candidates, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Deadline for applications: Monday, December 1, 2008