

Symposium on Healthier Cities & Communities

Keynote Address with Dr. Trevor Hancock

Li Ka Shing Institute, 209 Victoria St., Toronto, October 23rd, 2013

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Dr. Trevor Hancock, a remarkable thinker and advocate on healthier cities for over 20 years, will provide kick-off lecture for the Symposium on the evening of October 23.



Dr. Trevor Hancock is a public health physician, health promotion consultant, and Professor/Senior Scholar at the School of Public Health and Social Policy at the University of Victoria, where he teaches population health promotion, public health practice, the environments of health, and healthy public policy. He is also Co-Director of the Core Public Health Functions Research Initiative at UVic. Over the past 30 years he has worked as a consultant for local communities, municipal, provincial and national governments, health care organizations, NGOs and the World Health Organization (WHO). He has been actively involved in the public health movement in Canada for many years, having been on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Public Health Association for a number of years, serving as President in 1986/7.

The keynote address will take place at 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Li Ka Shing Institute, 209 Victoria St. (Entrance on Shuter St.)

Register for our October 23rd Keynote Address with Dr. Trevor Hancock at <http://www.eventbrite.ca/event/8328796655/eac2>. Register for our October 24th Symposium at <http://www.eventbrite.ca/event/8453218805/eac2>.

For more information, visit our website (<http://HealthierCitiesSymposium2013.wordpress.com/>) and follow us on Twitter (@HCCHub).

Please send questions to Rebecca Cheff, by email at rebecca.cheff@mail.utoronto.ca.

Organizers: *The Dalla Lana School of Public Health's emerging Healthier Cities & Communities Hub seeks to foster solutions-focused research and education, in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders, for the purpose of improving urban and community health, locally and beyond. For us, healthy cities and communities are characterized by processes, systems and assets that favour collective well-being: equity, sustainability, social connectedness, and resilience, to name a few. Hub development is being initially co-led by Patricia O'Campo, (Professor DLSPH and Director of the Centre for Research on Inner City Health) and Blake Poland (Associate Professor DLSPH and Director, Collaborative Program in Community Development) with the contributions of a Planning Committee and wide stakeholder input.*



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To be held at the **Li Ka Shing Institute at St. Michael's Hospital** (209 Victoria St., entrance on Shuter St.), this one-day event will be a unique mix of panel, workshops, poster and film presentations, from diverse community, practice and academic groups, to explore issues of:

- built environment
- food
- aboriginal health
- spatial inequalities and methods
- neighbourhood indicators
- age-friendly communities
- healthy public policy
- active transportation

Open to the entire community, the Symposium aims to explore innovative ideas about how to create new areas of research and training that will enable policy makers, urban designers, community members, and planners to make “health smart” decisions. Please join us for this exciting event from 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on October 24th.

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