

Population Health Improvement Research Network

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Population Health Improvement

- The population health improvement research network contains two research programmes:
 - *Patterns & Pathways of Inequity* co-led by:
 - Ronald Labonté (UOttawa)
 - Carlos Quiñonez (UToronto)
 - *Population Health Interventions* co-led by:
 - James Dunn (McMaster)
 - Douglas Manuel (Ottawa Hospital Research Unit)



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Goals of Applied Health Research Network Initiative

- to support high-quality applied population health research that addresses complex issues that affect health using a collaborative, networked approach;
- to build capacity by linking established researchers, community partners, decision-makers, and emerging leaders in open, collaborative, and interdisciplinary networks.
- to be the applied health services focus for Ontario, supporting evidence-informed policy development and decision-making in the ministry, the health system, and at other social and economic policy ministries;



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Research Priorities/Activities – Patterns & Pathways of Inequity

- The research strategies would go beyond the individual determinants of illness and examine:
 - *the intersections among different forms of social stratification;*
 - *the institutions and processes that influence the allocation of health and social resources;*
 - *the context affecting choices about resource allocation at provincial, national and international levels;*
- paying special attention to all relevant evidence, qualitative or quantitative.



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Research Priorities/Activities – Population Health Interventions

- Population health interventions either improve the overall health of Ontarians and/or reduce health inequities.
 - *Interventions come in many forms and may target entire populations or groups of people who bear a disproportionately large amount of ill health.*
 - *Interventions address health opportunity structures (e.g., physical barriers, policies, norms) that shape health across whole populations*



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