

**45TH SESSION OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH RESEARCH OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
(CAIS)**

Hamilton, ON, Canada, 17 – 19 October 2012

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AGENDA for the MEETING

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Wednesday, 17 October 2012

08:30-14:30	Optional visit to Niagara Falls and Niagara-on-the-Lake (depart from Crowne Plaza hotel)
12:45	<i>Registration desk opens (McMaster Health Forum – Hub)</i>
13:00-14:30	Walking tour of select McMaster landmarks for those not participating in the optional visit (depart from McMaster Health Forum - Hub)
14:30-15:00	Opening reception for the Art for Research exhibition (Lyons New Media Centre)
14:30-15:45	Brief video interviews with ACHR members and guests (McMaster Health Forum – QuietSpace)
15:45-16:00	<i>Walk to site of next activity</i>
16:00-17:45	“Speed-mentoring” event with ACHR members and McMaster students (University Club of McMaster, Alumni Memorial Hall)
17:45-18:00	<i>Walk to site of next activity</i>
18:00-19:00	Public talk Speaker: Dr. Mirta Roses Periago (Health Sciences Centre, lecture hall HSC 1A1)
19:00-19:15	<i>Walk to site of next activity</i>
19:15-20:00	Opening session (McMaster Health Forum DialogueSpace) Welcoming remarks by the health and research authorities of Canada Remarks from the President of the Regional Advisory Committee on Health Research (CAIS) Dr. John Lavis Remarks from the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Regional Office of the Americas of WHO) and introduction of the newly elected Director Dr. Mirta Roses Periago Brief introduction of new members, members, and participants Chair ACHR, Dr. John Lavis

Adoption of the agenda, appointment of Rapporteur and Report from the 44th Session
of WHO's ACHR 2010

Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis**

Logistics, structure of the meeting, and house announcements

Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis** and Secretary CAIS,

Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo

20:00-21:00

Reception and informal dinner

(McMaster Health Forum BreakoutSpace and Workspace)

Thursday, 18 October 2012

08:30-9:30

Progress report and brief on plans of action

(McMaster Health Forum DialogueSpace)

Secretary CAIS,

Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo

9:30-10:15

Strengthening health systems through health systems research

Dr. Ruben Torres, Area Manager (ad interim), Area of Health
Systems based on Primary Health Care (HSS)

10:15-10:30

Group photo

10:30-11:00

Health break

11:00-12:30

Quality: Promote the generation of relevant, ethical and high-quality research
for health

Facilitator: Dr. Zulma Ortiz

12:30-13:30

Lunch

13:30-15:00

Governance: Strengthen research governance and promote the definition of
research agendas

Facilitator: Dr. Jackeline Alger

15:00-15:30

Health break

15:30-17:00

Human resources: Improve competencies of and support for human resources
involved in research for health

Facilitator: Dr. Jaime Miranda

17:00-17:15

Wrap-up and summary of the day

17:15-17:45

Walk to the next activity (with optional visit of McMaster Museum of Art)

- 17:30-17:40** **Small group photo** in anticipation of the extension of the Memorandum of Understanding between PAHO and McMaster University
Participants: Dr. Mirta Roses Periago, Dr. Carissa Etienne, Dr. Ruben Torres, Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo, Mr. Marcelo D'Agostino, Mr. Adalberto Tardelli, Dr. John Kelton, Dr. Susan Denburg, Dr. Holger Schünemann, Dr. John Lavis
- 17:45-18:30** **President's reception** (University Club of McMaster, Alumni Memorial Hall)
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- 18:30-20:30** **Dinner** (by invitation) (University Club of McMaster, Alumni Memorial Hall)

Friday, 19 October 2012 (all activities at McMaster Health Forum - DialogueSpace)
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- 8:30-10:00** **Partnerships:** Seek efficiencies and enhanced impact and appropriation of research through effective and strategic alliances, collaboration and the building of public trust, and engagement in research
Facilitator: Dr. Silvina Ramos
- 10:00-10:30** *Health break*
- 10:30-12:00** **Standards:** Foster best practices and enhanced standards for research
Facilitator: Dr. Trudo Lemmens
- 12:00-13:00** *Lunch*
- 13:00-14:30** **Impact:** Promote the dissemination and utilization of research findings
Facilitator: Dr. Tomás Pantoja
- 14:30-15:00** *Health break*
- 15:00-15:45** **Open discussion about how to ensure that the new focus on innovation at PAHO/WHO is synergistic with the existing focus on research**

Open discussion about how to capitalize on upcoming events
World Health Report 2012
GWEG Financing and Research
Second Symposium on Health Systems Research
Reactions from the newly elected Director
- 15:45-16:30** **Presentation of the conclusions from the regional ACHR meeting for review and approval**
Dr. John Lavis and Dr. Mirta Roses Periago