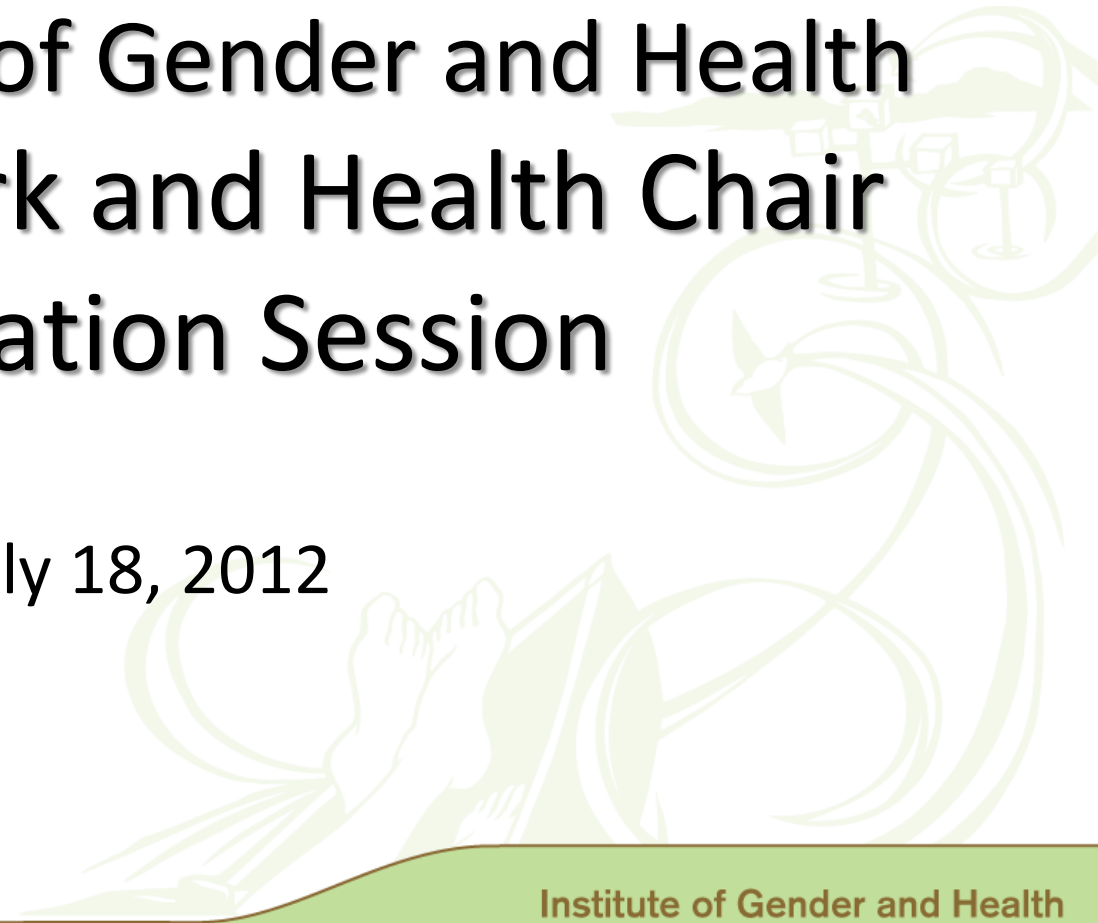


# CIHR Institute of Gender and Health Gender, Work and Health Chair Information Session

July 18, 2012



# Session overview

- Agenda:
  - Presentation
  - Time for questions
- Presentation content:
  - Overview of the funding opportunity
  - Overview of how to apply
  - Resources & contact people

# Session overview, cont'd

- Presenters:
  - Zena Sharman, Assistant Director, CIHR Institute of Gender and Health
  - Linda McKenzie, Deputy Director, Program Delivery, CIHR
  - Melody Sajedi, Team Lead, Program Delivery, CIHR
  - Lisa Lemieux, Program Delivery Coordinator, CIHR

# The CIHR Institute of Gender and Health

- One of CIHR's 13 institutes
- IGH's **mission** is foster research excellence regarding the influence of gender and sex on the health of women and men throughout life and to apply these research findings to identify and address pressing health challenges.

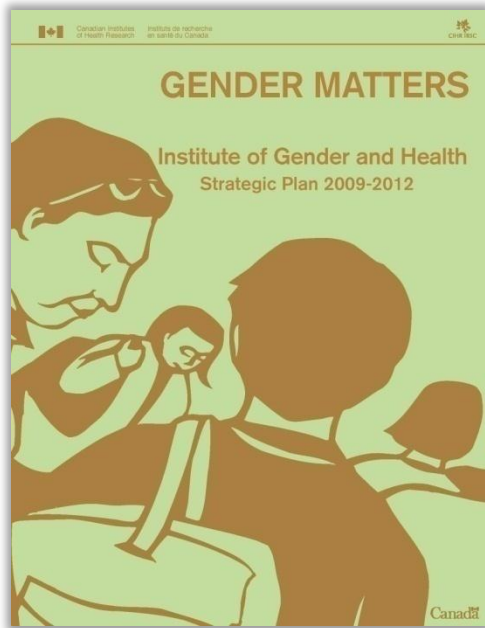
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# Gender and sex

- **Gender:** socially constructed roles, relationships, behaviours, relative power, and other traits that societies ascribe to women, men and people of diverse gender identities.
- **Sex:** the biological and physiological characteristics that distinguish females from males.

# Work and health: A priority



- IGH's 2009-2012 strategic plan identifies “work and health: research into action” as one of six strategic directions

# Why gender, work and health?

- Accounting for gender and sex in research on work and health will make this research more just, more rigorous and more useful.
  - Gender differences in who does what (e.g., within and between job titles/categories)
  - Sex differences in how work affects health, and how health affects work (e.g., exposure to toxic substances)

# Gender, work and health chair

- We are interested in supporting people (rather than projects, per se)
  - Our aim is to build capacity for work and health research that meaningfully incorporates gender and sex.
  - The chair award is intended to be taken up in conjunction with your existing (and planned) grants.



# Chair program partners

- CIHR Institute of Population and Public Health
- CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis
- Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety
- The Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en sécurité du travail

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# Chair program objectives

- To support leading researchers to develop their programs of research in gender, work and health.
- To build capacity for research on work and health that accounts for gender and sex.
- To foster the translation of that research into gender- and sex-sensitive policies and interventions that improve workers' health.

# Relevant research areas

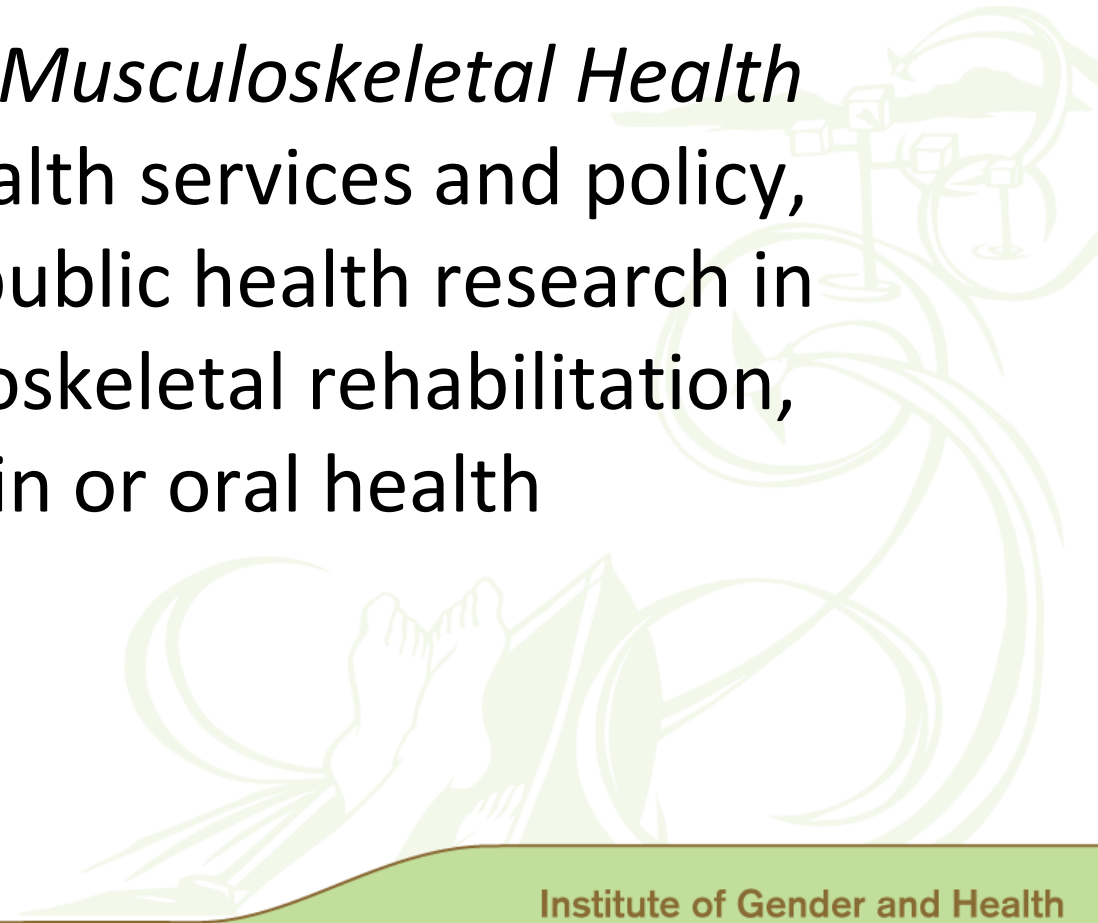
- *CIHR Institute of Gender and Health:*  
Gender, work and health. Work and health research with a substantive focus on gender and/or sex.
  - Women, men, boys, girls, males, females, etc.
  - Studies may focus on gender and/or sex

# Relevant research areas, cont'd

- *CIHR Institute of Population and Public Health*: Implementation systems for population health interventions in the workplace
  - See funding opportunity for a definition
  - Also see the IPPH 2009-2014 strategic plan:  
[http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/40524.html#4\\_6](http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/40524.html#4_6)

# Relevant research areas, cont'd

- *CIHR Institute of Musculoskeletal Health and Arthritis*: Health services and policy, population and public health research in arthritis, musculoskeletal rehabilitation, bone, muscle, skin or oral health



# Relevant research areas, cont'd

- *The Institut de recherche Robert-Sauvé en santé et en sécurité du travail (IRSST):*
- Occupational health and safety research (\*must be Quebec-based) that focuses on:
  - gender and work related musculoskeletal disorders
  - gender and occupational exposure to chemical and biological agents
  - gender and the changing nature of work; and/or
  - gender and return to work following a long term work disability absence

# Available funds

- In total: **\$7.2 million** (up to 9 chairs)
- \$4,800,000 for applications relevant to IGH
- \$800,000 for applications relevant to IMHA
- \$800,000 for applications relevant to IPPH
- \$800,000 for applications relevant to the IRSST

# Award value

- Award value: \$800K over 5 years
  - \$100,000 per year for salary support, including fringe benefits.
  - \$60,000 per year for strategic activities, including trainee support, mentoring, knowledge translation activities, etc.

[*Note: \$60K/year is not intended to support data collection/knowledge creation*]



# Eligibility

- You are eligible to apply if you are an **independent researcher** with an **academic or research appointment** at a **CIHR eligible institution**.
- Unlike some chair/salary awards, this award is not formally tied to career stage.
- It's up to the applicant to make a case for why you should be awarded a chair.

# Important dates

Activity	Date
Application deadline	October 1, 2012
Anticipated notice of decision	February 1, 2013
Funding start date	March 1, 2013

# An application consists of...

- An academic CV (a new version of the Canadian Common CV) is now available.
- 13-page proposal, describing:
  - Your research plan
  - Your environment and support
  - Your track record
- An objectives table (2 pg.)
- A KT table (1 pg.)
- One page summary of your proposal

# An application consists of...

- Budget (for \$60K/year for strategic activities
  - You are required to budget \$2K/year for an annual meeting of chairholders
- Letter(s) of support from partner(s) (if applicable)
- A 3-page (max.) letter from your institution outlining your current responsibilities; what would be reallocated if you are awarded a chair, and what other forms of institutional support are available

# Relevance review process

- Prior to peer review, IGH and its partners will have access to project titles and project summaries to conduct relevance review.
  - Make sure your one-page summary explains why your work is relevant to the relevant research area(s) identified by IGH and its partners.
- Applications that are not deemed to be relevant will be withdrawn from the competition.

# Peer review process

- An expert review committee will be formed specifically for this funding opportunity
- Reviews will be based on the evaluation criteria outlined in the FO
  - Research plan
  - Track record
  - Environment and support
  - Budget (only for \$60K/year for strategic activities)

# CIHR resources & information

- Start with the funding opportunity (the call for applications posted on the CIHR website)
- ***CIHR Grants and Awards Guide***
  - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/805.html>
- ***Guide to Knowledge Translation Planning at CIHR: Integrated and End-of-Grant Approaches***
  - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/45321.html>

# IGH resources & information

- Check out our health research casebook, ***What A Difference Sex and Gender Make***
  - <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/44082.html>
  - It includes two chapters on work and health!
  - There's a curricular unit for use in your classrooms
- Consult ***Gender, Sex and Health Research Guide: A Tool for CIHR Applicants***
  - <http://cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/32019.html>



# Who to contact

- For questions on CIHR funding guidelines, how to apply, and the peer review process contact:

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# Who to contact

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# Questions and answers

- How to “talk”
  - To “raise your hand,” click the hand icon button at the bottom of the people box (where all participant names appear).
  - You will then be identified and unmuted.
  - To speak, hold down the “Talk” button and ask your question. Release once you are done speaking.

# Questions and answers, cont'd

- How to “chat”
  - To pose a question, enter your question in the dropdown menu in the dialog box and press Enter.
  - If you have audio trouble during the Q&A period or do not have a microphone, you can type your questions to the session moderator and they will read them out.