



Annual Report 2021-22

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Director's Message

I am writing this as my term as director of MCHP comes to an end. The decision to step down as director that I took some six months ago was not an easy one. I have felt honored to lead the remarkable group of dedicated and creative people who are the backbone of the Centre. We may be widely known and even envied for our data holdings in the Manitoba Population Research Repository, but it is the people who make MCHP the special place it is to work. I know however that it is time to hand the leadership over to somebody new, in the best interest of the Centre and in the interest of my well-being. It is not an easy job, particularly during a pandemic, but is a rewarding one!

I have been privileged to work with and benefited from the support of many people at MCHP, within the Department of Community Health Sciences and the Max Rady College of Medicine, people within government and the healthcare system, and our community partners. The Centre has grown and evolved through their contributions and support. We have thrived in a rapidly changing environment; the healthcare system has undergone a huge transformation, the University environment has become more complex to navigate, and data science and epidemiology continue to evolve. Change is not only inevitable but something I have welcomed for the most part.

MCHP is a high functioning organization with a strong leadership team that has supported me in so many different ways. We have close partnerships with our government stakeholders who provide most of our data, with our sister data holding organizations across Canada now formalized as the Health Data Research Network Canada, and our Indigenous partners. This year we embarked on a Strategic Planning process with staff that has resulted in proposals for an updated Vision, Mission and Strategic Objectives. These will provide useful perspectives that our new Director can take account of as they set the roadmap for MCHP the next five years. The Strategic Objectives set out here are from our 2016 plan.

An important part of these staff discussions has been a re-evaluation of our values and a desire to commit MCHP to a new focus on Reconciliation both as an organization and in the research we do. We recognize the need to explicitly work towards greater Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility (IDEA) and have initiated internal personal development programs to support our emphasis on these values.

Our second year of working virtually has been easier for some who had already transitioned in year one, but more challenging for others who have not had ideal working conditions at home or have struggled with the isolation and threat of infection during repeated waves of the pandemic. Despite these challenges, we have successfully generated substantial peer-reviewed funding and provided significant support to the information needs of the vaccine roll out in Manitoba. We have also supported many external researchers from across Canada through the provision of COVID 19 related data and analyses.

The MCHP team has started exploring the added value of Machine Learning methodologies in our analyses and new data visualization techniques to support knowledge sharing. These are exciting initiatives that will grow in scope in the near future enhancing our impact on population health and wellbeing.

I am honored to have been the first clinician to lead MCHP.



Dr. Alan Katz MBChB, MSc, CCFP, FCFP

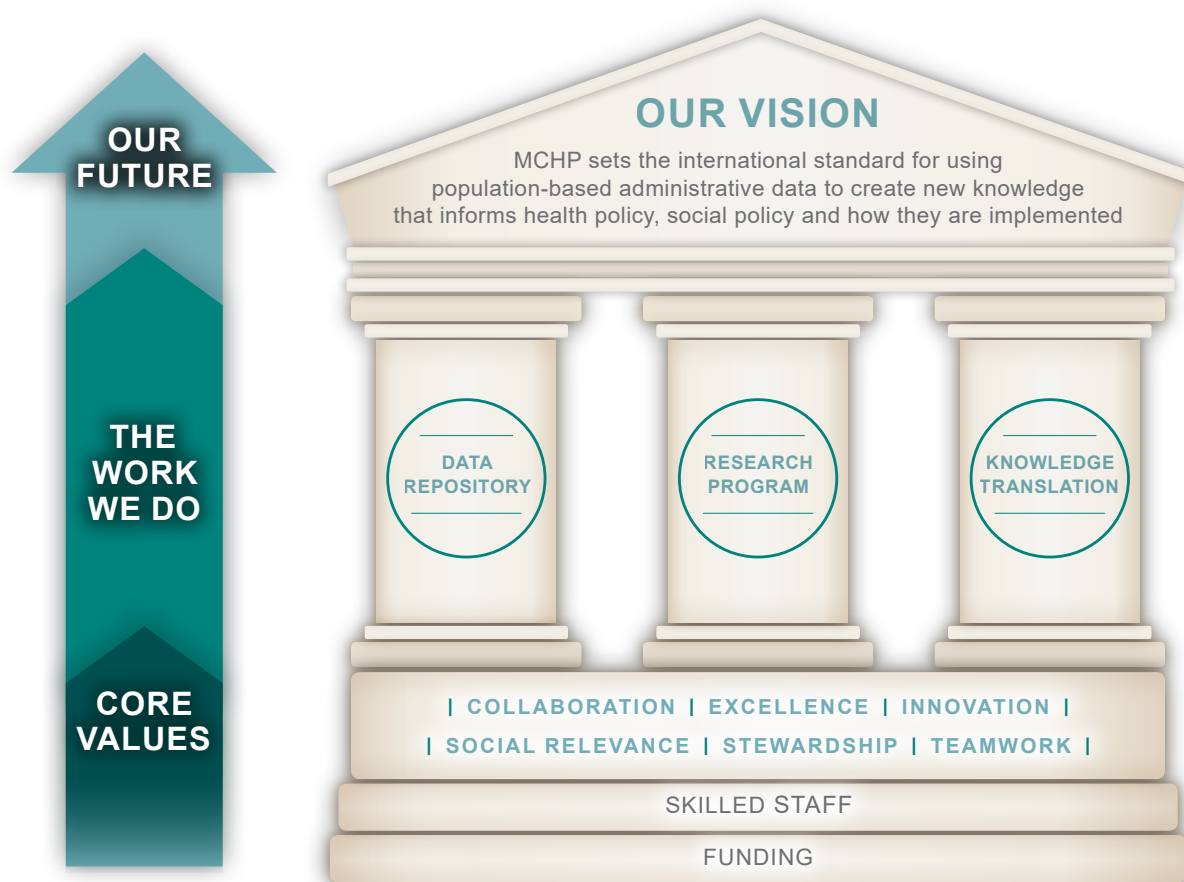
Director

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About the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy

Manitoba Centre for Health Policy (MCHP) is a research unit within the Department of Community Health Sciences, Max Rady College of Medicine, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Manitoba, focusing on the question “What makes people healthy?” We have created a world-class data repository using de-identified data from administrative records of multiple generations of Manitobans over their lifetime. We carry out cutting-edge scientific research across different sectors such as healthcare use, education, poverty and interactions with justice system. Our academics and staff train future policymakers and researchers who can make a difference to the health and wellbeing of society. We have excellent partnerships with knowledge users, to integrate our knowledge mobilization to maximize the relevance and impact of our research.

The University of Manitoba's mission is to create, preserve, communicate, and apply knowledge, contributing to the cultural, social, and economic well-being of the people of Manitoba, Canada and the world. MCHP works within the 'Integrative Research in Health and Well-being' theme within the University of Manitoba's Strategic Research Plan and is a key component of the signature area on 'Population and Global Health'. MCHP is committed to furthering the Principles of Reconciliation through the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences Reconciliation Action Plan. MCHP is a core component of the University's Complex Data Strategy, which contributes to the Provincial Information Management and Analytics Strategy, supporting a Learning Health System in Manitoba. MCHP is a founding member of the pan-Canadian Health Data Research Network whose mission is to 'bring together people and organizations across Canada for transformative and world-leading health data use'.



Mission and Objectives

The University of Manitoba's mission is *to create, preserve, communicate and apply knowledge, contributing to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the people of Manitoba, Canada and the world*. MCHP works within the 'Integrative Research in Health and Well-being' theme within the University of Manitoba's Strategic Research Plan, and is a key component of the signature area on 'Population and Global Health'.

Our strategic objectives, detailed in our strategic operational plan, cover the following areas:

1

To maintain and enhance a population-based data repository (Repository) that meets the needs of researchers, graduate students, and analysts in a privacy-compliant environment;

2

To advance the research capacities of the Centre and its affiliated researchers, to support research which is relevant, and uses the most appropriate methodologies;

3

To integrate knowledge translation within our work, to measure the impact of our research on policy and practices, and engage the public in our research, where relevant;

4

To maintain the strong foundation needed for a centre of excellence by securing adequate funding, supporting skilled staff, and being accountable for our funding.

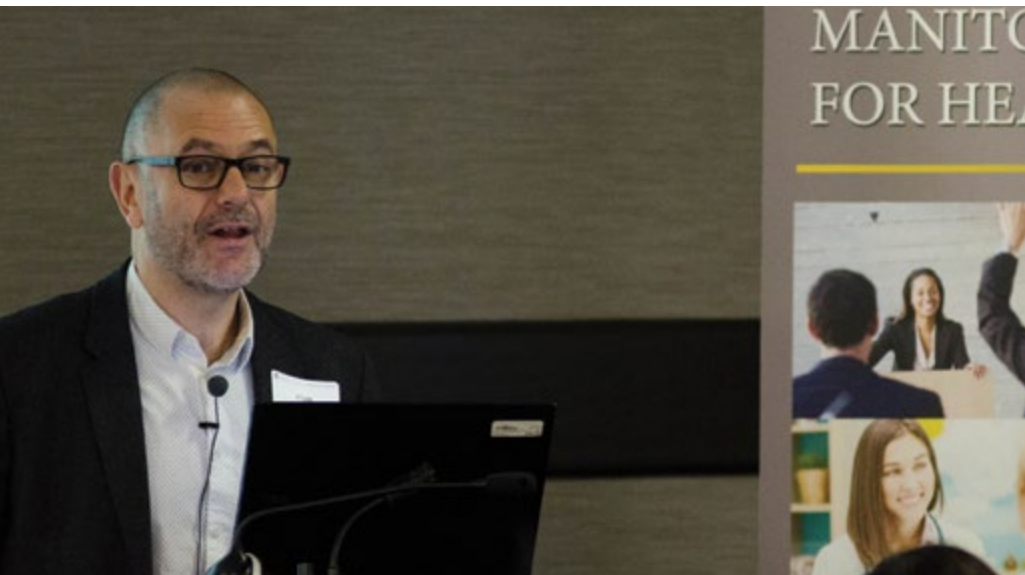
Change of Director

Adaptability, relationship building, and student engagement describe the growth of the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy (MCHP) under Dr. Alan Katz's 8-years as director. His tenure ended in March 2022, so here we look back at the many contributions Dr. Katz's leadership has brought to MCHP.

Adaptability

Over the past 8 years, Dr. Katz has fearlessly led MCHP through many transitions. Shortly after he became acting director in 2014, the much-loved former director of MCHP, Dr. Pat Martens, passed away from a battle with cancer. Dr. Katz was able to step into Dr. Martens' role with grace and a strong vision for the future of MCHP. In 2016, MCHP had to forge a new relationship with the recently elected Progressive Conservative provincial government after 17 years of NDP leadership in Manitoba. Despite changes to

MCHP's funding relationship with the Manitoba Government, Dr. Katz was able to push MCHP to new heights. This included the creation of the Research Lab, an opportunity for MCHP researchers to get wrap-around support for non-deliverable projects. Establishing the Research Lab allowed researchers to bring in more grant funding, and Dr. Katz allocated staff resources to help researchers with projects normally done off the side of their desks. This shift gave researchers the recognition for their research and that it is an integral part of advancing the values and goals of MCHP. Like many workplaces, the latest hurdle MCHP has had to overcome is the COVID-19 pandemic and the transition to working remotely. Hoping to keep people connected in a virtual space, Dr. Katz started holding weekly all-staff meetings as soon as shelter-in-place health orders were enacted, something that other university departments had yet to do. Whatever adversity MCHP has faced over the years, Dr. Katz has been able to adapt and reframe any challenge into an opportunity.



Relationship-building

Relationship-building was an important part of Dr. Katz's leadership, and something he remains passionate about. During his directorship, Dr. Katz made reconciliation a priority at MCHP. He built and nurtured important relationships with Indigenous governments, organizations, and community partners, and integrated many Calls to Action established by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada into the work done at MCHP. The Centre is constantly evolving in the way it does research with First Nations, Métis and Inuit partners, and Dr. Katz understood the importance of taking the lead from Indigenous partners.

Another important relationship Dr. Katz forged as director of MCHP was his role in the development of the Health Data Research Network (HDRN), a coalition of provincial data research centres. Dr. Katz saw this as an innovative way to connect with other provincial jurisdictions and build an environment where research centres could learn and work together, changing the way administrative data is used in Canada.

Student Engagement

Dr. Katz recognized the key role students could play at MCHP. Under his leadership, student engagement improved, and students became a crucial part of the Centre. Previously, students did not get access passes to MCHP, but Dr. Katz believed access to the Centre was an important part of relationship-building. Dr. Katz found funding to pay students for their work and supported many initiatives brought forth by the executive staff to improve student engagement. As a result, students are now a fundamental part of MCHP.

When asked about what he valued most about his time as director, Dr. Katz said, "The nature of leadership work is about relationships. That's what it comes down to and that's what I take away from this experience: it's all about the people. The biggest satisfactions of the role have been about mentorship and the relationships I have built."

Dr. Katz brought so much to MCHP, and he will be missed as director. MCHP is fortunate that he remains on staff, and he will continue his meaningful work in his new role as Senior Research Scientist.



Highlights of MCHP Activities for 2021-22

In Numbers

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Publications



35

as first author

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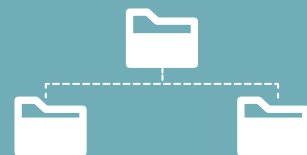
Post-doctoral
Fellows

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PhD
Students

15

MSc
Students



Manitoba Population
— Research Data —
Repository supports
— Studies Including —

23

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Theses

Research at MCHP

MCHP carries out two different types of research using the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository: contracted research for agreed deliverables and grant funded research.

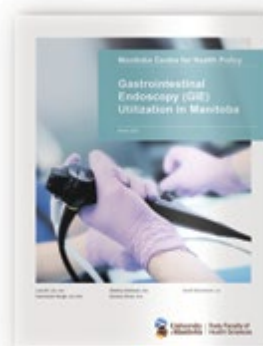
Contract Use of Manitoba Population Research Data Repository

MCHP has been contracted by Manitoba Health to complete up to five research projects a year since 1990. These projects take 1-3 years to complete and result in a publicly released report as well as academic peer-reviewed papers. This year we delivered three reports to the government which were all released publicly. MCHP researchers lead these projects, with input from clinicians, policy makers, and other partners as co-investigators or on advisory groups. This engagement has enriched the reports we produce.

Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (GIE) Utilization in Manitoba

Lix LM, Singh H, Derksen S, Sirski M, McCulloch S

Gastrointestinal endoscopy (GIE) procedures are used to examine a person's digestive tract. They are common procedures; more than 1 in 4 Manitobans will have a GIE procedure in a 10-year period. They are used to learn about the causes of symptoms, such as stomach pain or diarrhea, to diagnosis conditions of the digestive tract such as inflammatory bowel disease, and to screen people who are at risk for some cancers such as colorectal cancer. In this study, we looked at changes in procedure rates across health regions and population groups, described wait times in the Winnipeg and Southern Health-Santé Sud regions, and described outcomes after a GIE procedure, such as emergency department use and complications.



Outpatient Antibiotic Prescribing by Manitoba Clinicians

Ruth C, Fanella S, Raymond C, Dragan R, Prior H, Dik N, Stevenson D, Koseva I, Valdivia J

Antibiotics are essential to the health of Manitobans. However, the more they are used the more bacteria can develop resistance, making the antibiotics less effective. This study looked at antibiotics dispensed in the community from 2011 to 2016, and how they linked to physician visits and diagnoses. The study findings clearly indicate the need for antibiotic stewardship programs to improve antibiotic use in the community.



Using Administrative Data to Predict Near-Future Critical Illness

Garland A, Chateau D, Marrie RA, Wunsch H, Yogendran M, Soodeen RA

Critically ill people are cared for in hospital intensive care units. Many die in hospital, and many who survive experience long-term problems. If we could identify people at high risk of developing critical illness before it occurs, we might be able to delay or prevent it from happening, allowing them to remain healthy in the community. This study aimed to identify adult Manitobans with a high probability of developing critical illness in the near future, by applying advanced statistical methods to the data in the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository at the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy.



Quick Turnaround Projects for Manitoba Government

Over the past four years, MCHP analysts have supported Government of Manitoba to access and analyse their own datasets to support policy analysis and program decision-making. This work has supported programs delivered by departments of Education, Families and Justice. We use the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository, and the work has supported development of new methods which will be useful for future research, but this area of work does not result in published reports. In 2020 -2022, this work supported the development of plans for COVID19 vaccination.

Industry-funded Research

Over the past three years, MCHP has developed processes to support research using the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository to support industry-funded research. Each project is reviewed to ensure that the objectives and anticipated results support our mandate of conducting research to benefit society. These projects involve some analyses and support to researchers on interpreting the data findings. These projects look at treatment patterns, prevalence of conditions, and more.

Grant-funded research

Researchers at MCHP carry out research into the health and wellbeing of Manitobans across a broad spectrum of issues, funded through a variety of sources including federal and provincial funding bodies, foundations, and research trusts. Our researchers are highly successful in getting grants for peer reviewed research programs, and they (and their students) have published 163 peer-reviewed publications this year (35 as first author).



Education

MCHP researchers teach courses in Max Rady College of Medicine. Dr. Alan Katz teaches in the undergraduate Medicine population health program; Drs. Marni Brownell, Malcolm Doupe, Alyson Mahar, Nathan Nickel, and Marcelo Urquia all teach in graduate courses in Community Health Sciences. MCHP staff support educational and technical tutorials and workshops. We offer online tutorials through our website and provide workshop materials as well as detailed explanations of structural equation statistical modeling techniques. Our data analysts also deliver in-person 20-hour SAS tutorials for beginner to intermediate SAS-users.

MCHP researchers are supervising 4 post-doctoral fellows, 11 doctoral and 15 Master's students. Over the past year the MCHP Student Engagement Committee has actively worked to build the MCHP student body and to optimize the graduate school experience for MCHP students and provide support through COVID19 restrictions. It has been challenging to stay connected with only online opportunities.

MCHP offers a number of awards to graduate students, including the Evelyn Shapiro Award for Health Services Research and the Roos Prize for Best Publication in Population Health.

Evelyn Shapiro Award for Health Services Research

Financial support up to \$5,000 is provided through this award to students who are enrolled in the graduate program at the University of Manitoba (preferably in the Faculty of Health Sciences) and whose thesis research uses the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository. To qualify, applicants must demonstrate academic achievement (min. cumulative 3.75 GPA) and show strong research potential in the field of health services. This award was established by the late Dr. Evelyn Shapiro, a renowned health services researcher, and founding member of MCHP, whose contributions include the development of Manitoba's home care program. Winners of this award in 2021 were: Anita Durksen and Nikki Hawrylyshen.



Anita Durksen

2020/21 recipient: Evelyn Shapiro
Award for Health Service Research

Roos Prize for Best Publication in Population Health

The Roos Prize is given to a recent full or part-time graduate student (min. 3.5 GPA) who published a paper incorporating research results using the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository. This prize was created to honour the pioneering work of Drs. Leslie and Noralou Roos in the use of administrative data for research, their extensive publication and knowledge sharing reputations, and their role in the creation of the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy (MCHP). This prize was not awarded in 2021.



Nikki Hawrylyshen

2020/21 recipient: Evelyn Shapiro
Award for Health Service Research

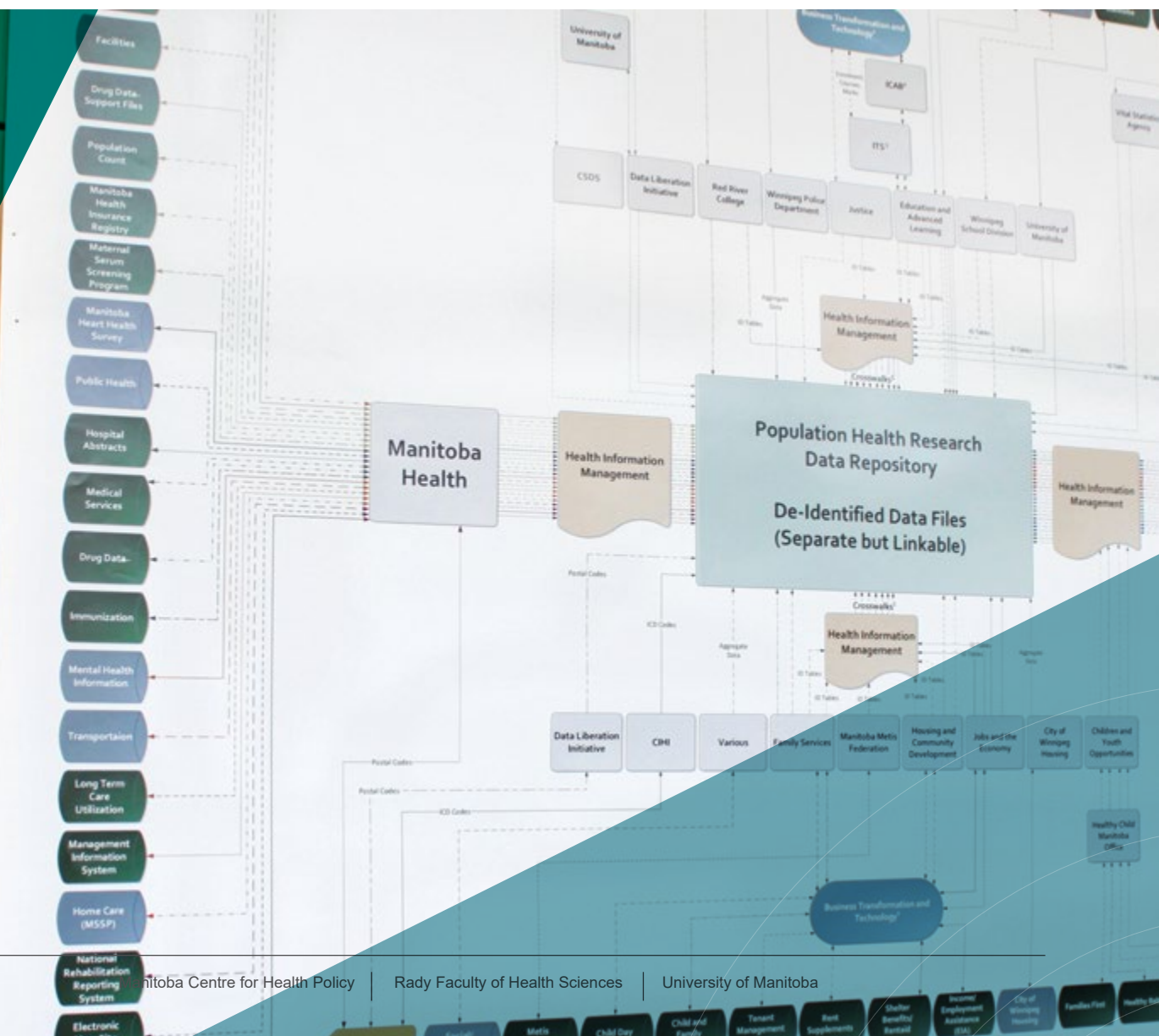
Providing Access to Data

Our Repository Access Unit manages and tracks the approval processes for all research projects that make use of the Repository.

The access unit provides support for researchers to navigate the required project approval processes. This includes getting accredited to access and use the data, which we encourage prior to submitting proposals. The processes for health researchers should improve as the RITHIM project (www.rithim.ca) automates reminders and updates and reduces the time for approvals. We hope that similar improvements can be made to processes for social datasets in the future. This year, 51 people attended accreditation sessions, we reviewed the feasibility of 111 new projects, and set up 65 new Researcher Agreements.

Within MCHP, we have developed a new support unit to assist researchers with grant proposal preparation, paperwork for approvals, tracking updates and project coordination. This team is known as Research Lab. It currently supports MCHP researchers, but we hope to extend these services on a fee for service basis to other researchers accessing the repository in the future.

Over the past couple of years', we have transformed our Remote Access Sites (RAS) which enable data analysts and researchers access to the Repository from locations outside of the physical MCHP environment. Virtual Private Network access keeps the data and applications within MCHP and maintains our privacy and security provisions but enable authorised users to access the Repository from anywhere in Manitoba. This has been vital to supporting research through COVID19 as we work from home.



Knowledge Translation

In keeping with our integrated approach to KT, we want to make sure that our research is focused on addressing problems that Manitoba's policy planners and service providers need answers to. Close involvement of policy staff in our project teams and advisory groups helps us to shape the questions early on and keeps our research focused on providing answers that can lead to improvements on the ground.

Our Need to Know Team, led by Dr. Nathan Nickel, with membership from Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living, Regional Health Authorities and other partners, has been meeting for more than 15 years, and continues to evolve. This group is essential for planning our interactive workshop days with staff of key organizations in Manitoba. The activities of Need to Know have been severely limited by the stress the pandemic has placed on all members.

Government and Stakeholder Workshops

The Manitoba Centre for Health Policy brings government departments and rural health agencies together to exchange information about research in the province. These have grown over the years from focused days for health authorities, Department of Health, other government departments to a multi-department, multi-organization,

multi-sectoral single Evidence to Action Workshop attended by in excess of 250 people. In September 2020 we took our event online offering three webinars and two group discussions in online 'rooms'. The focus was Indigenous health. We offered a webinar presented by Dr. Alan Katz and Leona Star on our report *The Health Status of and Access to Healthcare by Registered First Nation Peoples in Manitoba*, as well as one presented by Dr. Mariette Chartier, Leona Star and Dr. Nora Murdock on our report *Our Children, Our Future: The Health and Well-being of First Nations Children in Manitoba*. A third webinar was presented by Dr. Marcia Anderson and Leona Star on the use of data and information to prepare for COVID19 outbreaks in First Nation communities on and off reserve.

Social Media and Publication Tools

Over the past few years, MCHP has been promoting the release of its government research reports using a range of social media and publication tools. This includes making key message graphics to post findings on social media in an easy to share format.

We share public and media friendly infographics through press briefings, our website, Facebook and Twitter.



MCHP Hosted Researcher Forums

Dr Rahim Moineddin - *Interrupted Time Series Analysis* - February 3, 2021

Dr Andrée-Anne Fafard St-Germain – *Adjusted predictions and marginal effects: An approach for an easy and intuitive interpretation of study results from multivariate regression models* – Feb 17, 2021

Dr Marion Ross and Dr Mariette Chartier – *Using Families First Screening Data for Research* – March 3, 2021

Dr Lorna Turnbull – *Population Data studies and Canadas Constitutional Framework* – March 10, 2021

Dr Mohamed Elgendi – *Artificial Intelligence and Visualization for Health Data* – March 17, 2021

Dr Selena Randall, Jennifer Pepneck and Cara Jonasson – *What the KT team can do for you* – March 31, 2021

Dr Elizabeth Wall-Wieler – *Using Linkable Administrative Data to Develop Fundamental Cohorts* – April 14, 2021

Dr Rinku Sutradhar – *Using Multistate Models to Examine Longitudinal Health Data under the Presence of Intermittent Observation* – June 23, 2021

Dr Mariette Chartier – *Examining PAX in First Nations Communities using Participatory Action Research* – June 30

Dr Rob Santos – *Academic-Government Relations: Theory, Practice and Realities* – July 7, 2021

Dr Marcia Anderson – *Race, Ethnicity, and Indigenous Data Collection, Use and Governance in Manitoba* – September 15, 2021

David Coulombe – *CIHR Media Training* – September 22, 2021

Dr Randy Fransoo – *Update from CIHI* – October 13, 2021

Dr Lisa Lix, Dr Bill Leslie, and Dr Lily Lam – *Machine Learning Approaches for Manitoba's Administrative Data: A Panel Session* – December 15, 2021

Dr. Amy Freier – *Data Equity at MCHP* – January 19, 2022

Dr. Chelsea Ruth – *How a full-time practicing physician uses the data repository in her research and work* – January 26, 2022

Dr. Alan Katz – *Surgical Projection Models* – February 2, 2022

Jason Berry and Saira Parveen (Manitoba Health) – *Transition from Health Information Privacy Committee to the Provincial Health Research Privacy Committee* - 9 February, 2022

Dr. Alyson Mahar - *Cancer Stage and Prognosis for People Living with Intellectual and or Developmental Disabilities* – February 16, 2022

Dave Towns – *Documenting the Manitoba Population Research Data Repository* – March 2, 2022

Dr. Amy Freier, Dr. Nancy Carter, Dr. Ingrid Sketris, Dr. Samuel Steward - *Getting Logical about Research Impact: A CNODES Case Study* – March 23, 2022

People

MCHP is fortunate to have a team of about 65 highly skilled staff who all contribute to the work of the Centre, including:

Research Scientists who design and implement research projects, including deliverables for Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living as well as studies funded through peer reviewed research grants. Our research scientists also teach undergraduate and graduate courses and mentor students

Research Coordinators who coordinate deliverable project activities.

Research Assistants who are students carrying out a variety of support tasks for research coordinators and our research support team.

Data, Documentation and Access team who support the development and use of the Population Research Data Repository.

Data Analysts who provide data analysis and statistical support for research projects.

Information Technology specialists who manage all our information technology services within MCHP and for researchers accessing our Remote Access Sites.

Graphic Designer who designs layouts for reports, ensures outputs look professional and polished, and creates infographics to support interpretation of data.

Knowledge Broker who plans and implements communications and knowledge translation strategies for research projects.

Finance Grant Accountants who set up and administer grants, ensure we all get paid on time, and monitor our finances.

Research Support who provide administrative, research and clerical support to researchers in the completion of deliverables and peer-reviewed journal articles.

Below is a list of all staff who worked at MCHP at any point between April 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022. Those who joined us during the year or were promoted are listed in *italics*, and those who we said goodbye to are underlined.

Executive

Dr. Alan Katz, Director, Senior Research Scientist

Charles Burchill, Associate Director (Data Access and Use)

Dr. Marni Brownell, Associate Director (Research), Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Nathan C. Nickel, Associate Director (Deliverables), Research Scientist

Dr. Selena Randall, Associate Director (Planning and Development)

Kara Dyck, Executive Assistant / Office Manager

Researchers

Dr. Marni Brownell, Associate Director, Research; Professor; Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Mariette Chartier, Assistant Professor, Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Malcolm Doupe, Associate Professor, Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Jennifer Enns, Research Associate

Dr. Amy Freier, Research Associate

Dr. Alan Katz, Professor, Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Lisa Lix, Professor, Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Alyson Mahar, Assistant Professor, Research Scientist

Dr. Nathan C. Nickel, Associate Professor, Research Scientist

Dr. Leslie Roos, Distinguished Professor, Senior Research Scientist

Dr. Noralou Roos, Professor, Senior Research Scientist (retired)
Dr. Chelsea Ruth, Assistant Professor, Research Scientist
Dr. Marcelo Urquia, Associate Professor, Research Scientist, Canada Research Chair – Applied Public Health
Dr. Elizabeth Wall-Weiler, Assistant Professor, Research Scientist, Canada Research Chair – Population Data Analytics
Dr. Thekla Brunkert, Post-doctoral fellow
Dr. Andree-Ann Faford St Germain, Post-doctoral fellow
Dr. Heather Finnigan, Post-doctoral fellow
Dr. Kate Kenney, Post-doctoral fellow

Research Lab Support

Ina Koseva, Lead Research Project Coordinator
Susan Burchill, Research Assistant
Lindsey Dahl, Research Project Coordinator
Nkiru Eze, Research Coordinator
Hannah Owczar, Technical Writer
Farzana Quddus, Research Project Coordinator
Lisa Zhang, Research Project Coordinator

Research Coordinators

Ruth-Ann Soodeen, Lead Research Coordinator
John-Michael Bowes, Research Assistant
Scott McCulloch, Research Coordinator
Jennifer Schultz, Research Coordinator
Dale Stevenson, Research Coordinator

Data Acquisition

Say Hong, Data Management Analyst
Sathi Rani Saha, Data Management Analyst
Dave Towns, Data Acquisition Officer

Repository Access and Documentation

Kara Dyck, Lead Repository Access Coordinator
Theresa Daniuk, Repository Access Assistant
Emily Jones, Repository Access Assistant
Ken Turner, Repository Data Analyst

Program and Analysis Systems

Heather Prior, Lead Data Analyst
Wendy Au, Data Analyst
Matt Dahl, Data Analyst
Shelley Derksen, Data Analyst
Gilles Detillieux, Data Analyst
Isuru Dharmasena, Data Analyst
Roxana Dragan, Data Analyst
Oke Ekuma, Data Analyst & Statistical Consultant
Lisa Flaten, Data Analyst
Joykrishna Sarkar, Data Analyst
Monica Sirski, Data Analyst
Angela Tan, Data Analyst
Carole Taylor, Data Analyst
Randy Walld, Data Analyst
Marina Yogendran, Data Analyst

Graphic Design and Communications

Cara Jonasson, Graphic Designer
Jennifer Pepneck, Knowledge Broker

Information Technology

Rod McRae, Information Technology Manager
Darrin Halabuza, Information Technology Support

Finance

Sophie Buternowsky, Senior Grants Accountant
Jeannie Chen, Grants Accountant
Jo-Anna Wichenko, Finance Assistant

Research Support

Eileen Boriskewich, Research Support (Get Your Benefits)

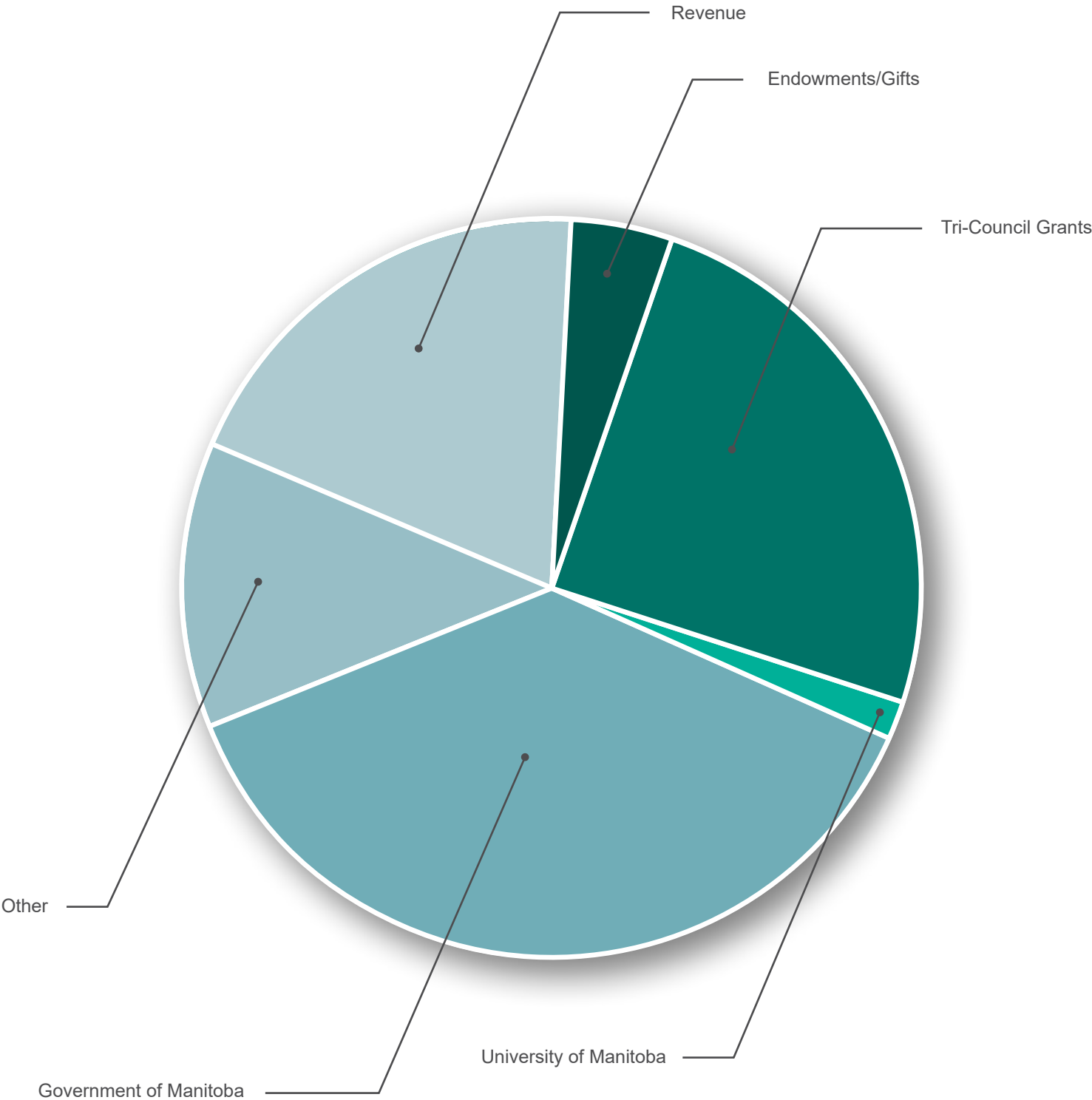
Student Research Assistants

Sana Amjad, **John-Michael Bowes**, **Emily Brownell**, **Susan Burchill**, **Hera Casidsid**, **Nyla Comeau**, **Mitchell Chu**, **Sucheta Day**, **Anita Durksen**, **Ivy Ferland**, **Soomin Han**, **Mikayla Hunter**, **Drew Lambert**, **Stephaney Patrick**, **Jamie Pfau**, **Colette Scatliff**, **Angela Soulsby**, **Erin White**



MCHP Funding Sources

MCHP is funded from a diverse range of sources including individual and multi-year project grants and career awards from federal grant-funding bodies, support from Rady Faculty of Health Sciences at University of Manitoba as well as contracts and grants from Manitoba Government. MCHP also generates revenue in the form of repository access and remote access fees paid from externally administered research grants. In 2021/22, new funds from these sources totaled approximately \$6.6M



Advisory Board

MCHP is supported by an advisory board made up of members representing:

- MCHP
- Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living
- Other government departments sharing data with us
- the University of Manitoba.

The advisory board meets twice a year to hear about MCHP's activities and to provide advice on areas of development for the Centre.

Below, are the current members of the Advisory Board, we thank departing members David Dyson, Tareq Al-Zabet, John Leggat, for their service to the Advisory Board over the past few years.

Members by Position

- Dr. Peter Nickerson (Board Chair): Vice-Dean Research, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Manitoba
- Dr. Sharon Bruce: Head, Departments of Community Health Sciences, Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Manitoba
- Dr. Alan Katz: Director of the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy
- Ms. Karen Herd: Deputy Minister of Health, Seniors and Active Living
- Drs. Noralou Roos and Leslie Roos: Founding Directors
- VACANT – Member of the Treasury Board

Appointed Members: Up to seven appointees of Manitoba Health Seniors & Active Living

1. Mr. Dave Wright, Deputy Minister, Justice and Deputy Attorney General
2. Ms. Dana Rudy, Deputy Minister, Education
3. Mr. Richard Groen, Deputy Minister, Finance
4. VACANT
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Appointed Members: Up to seven appointees of the University of Manitoba

1. Dr. Todd Mondor, Deputy Provost, Academic Planning and Programs, University of Manitoba
2. Dr. Digvir Jayas, Vice-President, Research and International, University of Manitoba
3. Dr. Terry Klassen, Academic Director, George and Fay Yee Centre for Healthcare Innovation
4. Reg Toews, Member of the Community
5. Connie Walker, President and CEO, United Way of Winnipeg
6. Michael Schull, President and CEO, Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences
7. VACANT

Ex Officio Members

- Mr. Phil Jarman, Executive Director of Information Management & Analytics, MHSAL
- Dr. Marni Brownell, Associate Director of Research, MCHP
- Dr. Selena Randall, Associate Director of Planning and Development, MCHP
- Dr. Nathan Nickel, Associate Director Deliverables, MCHP
- Mr. Charles Burchill, Associate Director Repository, MCHP

MCHP Staff Support to Advisory Committee

- Ms. Kara Dyck, Executive Assistant