

# **Progress Report & Updates**

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# Current Status

- Assistant Professor, Department of Community Health Sciences, University of Manitoba
- Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography, University of Ottawa – until 2008
- Tier II CRC in Environment and Health Risk Communication

# CFI Lab – Ottawa U

- Lab construction has begun – Simard 036
- Anticipated completion by June/July, 2006
- Eric Crighton will be day-to-day manager
- Computer workstations – equipped with NVivo
- Handheld digital & analogue recorders
- Transcription machine with pedals (?)
- Large group digital recording device

# Progress Report – ICEBeRG Funding

- Some remaining funds (see written report)
- Plans for these funds:
  - Advanced training of qualitative software in Australia
  - Hiring RA support or supplementing equipment needs for CIHR project

# CIHR Mapping Project: Update

## Research Objectives

- To identify the perceived facilitators and barriers of creating and using local data between OEYC data analysts and managers (Phase 1);
- To evaluate the use and impacts of mapping software and maps by OEYC data analysts and managers, respectively (Phase 2).

# Phase 1 almost complete

- Gave mapping program demo to Managers/Data Analysis Nov. 2005
- Obtained feedback on initial perceived barriers by Managers (e.g. data agreements, current mapping tools not accessible (difficult to use; expensive), etc.)
- Roll-out of mapping tool expected in April 2006 for one-year intervention for DACs/Managers

# Phase 2 - Intervention

## Data Analysts

- Use program for 12 months; receive training, etc.

## Managers

- Modified Academic Detailing
- Audit and Feedback

# **KT Opportunities – University of Manitoba**

# KT Opportunities at UofM

- Manitoba Centre for Health Policy
  - Population Health Research Data Repository (a linkable population-based anonymized administrative dataset for all Manitoba residents and their health care contacts)
- Database includes:
  - Hospitalizations
  - Physician visits
  - Use of pharmaceuticals
  - Home care and nursing home use
  - Immunizations
  - Mortality
  - Use of social services
  - Educational Outcomes
  - Screening programs
  - Etc.

# KT Opportunities cont.

- Possible to build on successful grants to include Manitoba data in addition to Ontario data
- Possible to develop linkages with Pat Martens, MCHP Director, 2005 winner of CIHR KT Regional Impact Award
- Relationship between CHS & Manitoba Health

# KT Opportunities cont.

- Build on CRC research program to include strong evaluation components of different kinds of KT strategies – evaluate what works, doesn't etc.

# Any Discussion?

