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Co-applicants

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Dr. Shari Brotman, McGill University
Dr. Shari Brotman is Associate Professor at the McGill School of Social Work. Her scholarly activities center on questions of access and equity in the design and delivery of health and social care services to older adults from marginalized communities (LGBTQ and immigrant), and their caregivers.
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Dr. Mary K. Bryson is a Professor in the UBC Department of Language and Literacy Education. Dr. Bryson is the author of multiple publications concerning the social, cultural and educational significance of networked media technologies and publics that make significant contributions to theoretical accounts of gendered and sexual marginality, knowledge mobilization and resilience.
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Dr. Brian de Vries is an Adjunct Professor in Gerontology at Simon Fraser University (SFU), and a Professor of Gerontology at San Francisco State University (SFSU). His areas of research interest relate to LGBT aging and trying to understand the challenges and strengths of aging as a member of a sexual minority under stigmatizing conditions, the unique and pivotal roles friends play in our lives, and how we grieve and the role of loss in our lives.
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Dr. Shawn Harmon, Dalhousie University

Dr. Shawn Harmon is a policy analyst and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Paediatrics at Dalhousie University. Dr. Harmon's research encompasses issues related to the governance and regulation of health and emerging technologies.

<https://www.dal.ca/diff/trru/our-team/collaborators/ShawnHarmon.html>

Dr. Áine Humble, Mount Saint Vincent University

Dr. Áine M. Humble is a full professor and department chair at Mount Saint Vincent University in the department of Family Studies and Gerontology. Her primary research interest focuses on family dynamics related to family rituals and transitions and she has increasingly been studying same-sex couples and LGBT aging issues.

<https://www.msvu.ca/academics/bachelor-of-arts-ba/family-studies/meet-our-faculty/aine-humble/>

Dr. Francisco Ibáñez-Carrasco, Dalla Lana School of Public Health in the University of Toronto Assistant Professor, Learning Innovation at DLSPH. Francisco's expertise is on eLearning, community based KTE. His community-based research focus is on health promotion and rehabilitation for, and with, people living with HIV and other episodic and chronic conditions.

<https://www.dlsph.utoronto.ca/faculty-profile/ibanez-carrasco-francisco/>

Dr. Hannah Kia, University of British Columbia

Hannah Kia is an Assistant Professor at the School of Social Work. Her current program of research addresses a variety of issues pertaining to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, Two-Spirit, and other sexual and gender minority (LGBTQ2S+) populations.

<https://socialwork.ubc.ca/persons/hannah-kia/>

Dr. Anders Kottorp, Malmo University, Sweden

Dr. Anders Kottorp is a Professor in the Faculty of Health and Society at Malmo University. He researches the consequences that people with different illnesses or disabilities face in everyday life and from a societal perspective.

<http://forskning.mah.se/en/id/ah6138>

Dr. Nathan Lachowsky, University of Victoria

Dr. Nathan Lachowsky is an *Associate Professor at the* School of Public Health and Social Policy. His research interests include sexual health, global health, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and two-spirit (LGBTQ2S) people, HIV prevention and care, health equity, interdisciplinary approaches, indigenous health, mixed methods, community-based research, public health surveillance, infectious diseases, and population health.

<https://www.uvic.ca/hsd/publichealthsocialpolicy/faculty-staff/home/faculty/profiles/lachowskynathan.php>

Dr. Eli Manning, Dalhousie University

Eli Manning, MSW, PhD is an Assistant Professor at Dalhousie University's School of Social Work. Her current research examines racism, colonialism, and white supremacy in Canadian HIV criminalization.

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Dr. Brent Oliver, Mount Royal University

Dr. Brent Oliver is an Associate Professor of Social Work at Mount Royal University. Based in Calgary, Dr. Oliver collaborates with people living with HIV, community service providers, and researchers in leading a community-based research program in Alberta focused on HIV/AIDS, gay men's wellness, HIV prevention, and community-based interventions.

<https://www.mtroyal.ca/ProgramsCourses/FacultiesSchoolsCentres/HealthCommunityEducation/Programs/SocialWorkDiploma/FacultyStaff/boliver.htm>

Dr. Rita Orji, Dalhousie University

Dr. Rita Orji is an Associate Professor at the [Faculty of Computer Science](#), Dalhousie University. Her research areas include Human-Computer Interaction, Persuasive Technology, Games for Change, and Digital Health.

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Dr. Meaghan Sim is the Flagship Project Community Lead at Dalhousie University's Healthy Populations Institute on the project *Developing Meaningful Indicators to Measure Population Health and Health Equity in Health Systems*.

<https://www.healthypopulationsinstitute.ca/members-1>

Dr. Arne Stinchcombe, Brock University

Dr. Arne Stinchcombe is an Assistant Professor in the Master of Applied Gerontology (MAG) program and the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies at Brock University. He holds a PhD in Psychology and maintains expertise in the psychosocial aspects of health, aging, and older adulthood.

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Dr. Tamara Sussman, McGill University

Dr. Sussman is an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work at McGill University. Drawing on over ten years of experience working with adults and families managing health related issues in both hospital and community settings, Dr. Sussman's program of research focuses on how health services and systems impact older adults and their family members.

<https://www.mcgill.ca/socialwork/people-0/faculty/sussman>

Dr. Mikiko Terashima, Dalhousie University

Dr. Mikiko Terashima is an Assistant Professor in the School of Planning at Dalhousie University. Her main research interest revolves around methods of measuring various social and built environmental forces that create systematic inequalities in health and well-being among different groups of people across different places

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Dr. Ren Thomas, Dalhousie University

Dr. Ren Thomas is an Assistant Professor in the School of Planning at Dalhousie University. Dr. Thomas conducts research in housing policy, transportation policy and planning, and immigration.

<https://renthomas.ca/>

Partner Organizations:

Horst Backe, Living OUT Visibly and Engaged Community Response, Vancouver Island

Horst Backe is the co-coordinator at Living OUT Visibly and Engaged Community Response. He coordinates and supports community-led prevention and education activities with local stakeholders to end abuse, neglect and self-neglect of sexual and gender diverse adults on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

<https://www.lovecrn.ca/>

John Ecker, Canadian Observatory on Homelessness

Dr. John Ecker is the Director of Research and Evaluation at the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness. His research interests are varied and include homelessness, housing, Housing First, community integration, and LGBTQ2S studies.

<https://www.homelesshub.ca/users/john>

George Hartgrove, Ottawa Senior Pride Network

Ottawa Senior Pride Network (OSPN) is a volunteer-run network of LGBT seniors (50+) and allies, which was formed in 2008.

<http://ospn-rfao.ca/en/home-page/>

Martin Krajcik, Egale Canada Human Rights Trust, Toronto

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Martin Krajcik (he/him), MSW, is a human rights instructor and workshop facilitator who currently oversees at Egale the only national LGBTQI2S seniors portfolio in Canada.
<https://egale.ca/>

Bob Linscott, Fenway Community Health Centre, Boston
Bob Linscott is the Assistant Director, LGBT Aging Project at The Fenway Institute. The LGBT Aging Project is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender older adults have equal access to the life-prolonging benefits, protections, services and institutions that their heterosexual neighbors take for granted.
<https://fenwayhealth.org/the-fenway-institute/lgbt-aging-project/>

John O'Keefe, Northwood, Halifax
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Jane Osborne, British Columbia Association of Community Response Networks
Jane Osborne is a member of the Community Based Seniors' Services Leadership Council, and co-leads the Rural and Remote Communities Provincial Working Group. Much of her work is in rural communities on Vancouver Island.
<https://bccrns.ca/profiles/26/>

Kevin Quigley, MacEachen Institute, Dalhousie University
Kevin Quigley is the director of the MacEachen Institute for Public Policy & Governance. He specializes in public sector risk and crisis management, strategic management and critical infrastructure protection and am particularly interested in research methods that employ interdisciplinary and comparative approaches.
<https://www.dal.ca/faculty/management/school-of-public-administration/faculty-staff/our-faculty/kevin-quigley.html>

Nathan Sparling, HIV Scotland
Nathan Sparling is the Chief Executive of HIV Scotland. Nathan is responsible for achieving the strategic goals set by the HIV Scotland Board by ensuring the development and delivery of strategies, operations, the team and culture.
<https://www.hiv.scot/news/nathan-sparling-chief-executive>

Mike Tuthill, Rainbow Resource Centre, Winnipeg
<https://rainbowresourcecentre.org/about/staff-board>

Floyd Visser, The SHARP Foundation, Calgary
Floyd Visser was the Executive Director of The SHARP Foundation until July 2020. SHARP provides a spectrum of integrated care and support for the community's most vulnerable persons living with HIV / AIDS.
<http://www.thesharpfoundation.com/about-us.html>

Hanqing Yang, prideHealth, Nova Scotia Health Authority
As prideHealth navigator for Nova Scotia Health Authority (NSHA), Hanqing Yang supports engagement with community members, directing individuals to resources and education sessions related to 2SLGBTQ+* health.
<http://www.nshealth.ca/content/pridehealth>

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Lisa Lachance

Lisa Lachance is a passionate advocate for improving the health of children. Lisa is President of Wisdom2Action Ltd and is currently pursuing her PhD in Health from Dalhousie University.

Marco Redden

Marco Redden is a graduate student at Mount Saint Vincent University in the department of Family Studies and Gerontology. His research focuses on intersectionality in health and aging, dementia care, and long-term care policy in Canada.