

## SCPOR SCOOP May 2017



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### SCPOR Share the Vision Day



SCPOR Share the Vision Day, May 17 at TCU Place in Saskatoon. Our keynote speaker, Simon Denegri, stops by the registration desk to say hello to SCPOR team members Tina Murdock and Shane Keepness.

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SCPOR's Share the Vision Day was created to connect patients and researchers and showcase the exciting patient-oriented research work that is currently underway in our province, as well as highlight upcoming opportunities. More than 200 people came to TCU place to listen, network and learn at this inaugural event. You can read more about the day on the SCPOR website at [this link](#).

### **Cassandra Opikokew Wajuntah is a Woman of Distinction!**



SCPOR is delighted that Cassandra Opikokew Wajuntah, our Indigenous Research & Engagement Expertise Platform Lead, is the winner of the Regina YWCA Women of Distinction Award, Cultural Heritage category.

Knowing there were many worthy nominations, Cassandra went to the awards dinner thinking she would not need to prepare an acceptance speech. She was therefore completely unprepared for her win - as evidenced by the fact that she began her speech by demanding a recount! The win was no surprise to those who

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know her, however. Read about Cassandra's many accomplishments and commitment to Indigenous health research [here](#). You can also see Cassandra's informative PowerPoint presentation from the Share the Vision Day [here](#).

## SCPOR Learning Sessions at U of S and U of R



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## Connections

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**Researchers and trainees:**  
You are invited to join us to connect with SCPOR staff and learn more about the project intake process and supports that SCPOR offers.

**Session Format**

**SCPOR Presentation**  
SCPOR staff will present information on:

- The SCPOR Project Request Form and intake process
- How SCPOR will support SHRF Sprout grant applicants
- What specific supports may be available to research teams from each SCPOR platform

**General Q&A**  
Attendees will have an opportunity to ask general questions about the content presented in the opening presentation.

**Individualized Q&A**  
Attendees will have an opportunity to direct their specific project-related questions to the appropriate SCPOR staff members.

**Session Dates**

<p><b>Saskatoon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* June 8 @ 2:30-4:00pm</li><li>* July 12 @ 10:30-12:00pm</li><li>* August 11 @ 10:30-12:00pm</li></ul> <p><i>All sessions will be held in Room 2334, Health Sciences building (E-Wing).</i></p>	<p><b>Regina</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* June 21 @ 9:00-10:30am <i>Room 208, Research &amp; Innovation Centre Building</i></li><li>* July 24 @ 1:00-2:30pm <i>Room 315, Education Building</i></li></ul>
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**Planning to attend?**  
We kindly request an RSVP to [scpor\\_info@usask.ca](mailto:scpor_info@usask.ca) at least 2 business days prior to the scheduled session.

## Patient-Oriented Research (POR) and Ethics

As it becomes more common for researchers to involve patients or caregivers as advisers or collaborators in research, the subject of ethics comes up. With POR, there is a whole new set of relationships and shifting power balances to consider. Do we need new rules to govern patient-oriented research? Probably not, according to Don Willison & Sara Shearkhani of the University of Toronto, but we will need to interpret our existing rules in the POR context. Read their op-ed piece [here](#).



Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research

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