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Strategy Update: Inaugural Chair of Collaborative Centre for Health Systems & Policy Research



Last year, we announced the creation of UHN Collaborative Centres—a new organizational model to accelerate team-based research across the institution. Since introducing this concept, which aligns with our strategic research priority to “*empower research teams and collaboration*”, we have announced five Collaborative Centres, [including a new collaborative centre focused on health services research](#) [internal connection required].

Today, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. **Beate Sander** as the inaugural chair of the **Collaborative Centre for Health Systems & Policy Research**.

Dr. Sander is an internationally leading researcher with enormous contributions to health services research, administrative, and policy leadership. She is recognized internationally through her role as President of the Society for Medical Decision Making and nationally as a member of several advisory bodies. She has also chaired significant provincial and local COVID-19 response groups and holds a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Economics of Infectious Disease.

Dr. Sander will leverage her extensive experience, expertise, and collaborative relationships to develop the UHN Collaborative Centre for Health Systems & Policy Research into a community of excellence to share resources and best practices, apply findings across different aspects of human health and disease, advance technologies and approaches, and to grow UHN's global reputation as a powerhouse in health services and policy research. Her next steps will be to identify the Collaborative Centre's Executive Committee and develop a vision and plan for implementation.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Sander on leading the creation and development of this critical new initiative!

New Research Security Resource



The Government of Canada is implementing safeguards that protect the research data and intellectual property of the country's researchers. To help researchers at UHN better understand and navigate these new and evolving policy requirements, a [new online resource for research security](#) has been launched.

This new web page includes the following:

- Information about Federal and Provincial requirements, including the Government of Canada's [Policy on Sensitive Technology Research and Affiliations of Concern](#) (STRAC) and the Government of Ontario's research security requirements, and to which granting programs they apply;
- Who to contact at UHN with questions regarding research security and managing requirements in affected granting programs;
- Links to external resources and FAQs regarding affiliations and partnerships;
- And an archive of UHN communications (EVP and grant updates) about research security.

The web page will continue to be updated with guidance for UHN researchers as new information is released.

Thanks for reading,
Brad

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