

Journal of Indigenous HIV Research volume 12 Call for papers: Capacity Bridging

DEADLINE EXTENDED: JULY 12, 2021

The Journal of Indigenous HIV Research (JIHR) is an annual on-line journal published through the AHA Centre, by the Canadian Aboriginal AIDS Network (CAAN) as a service to its members and anyone with an interest in Indigenous community-based research (CBR). This year, we've chosen the theme of 'Capacity Bridging' as the focus of Volume 12. This concept was introduced during the Visioning Health project, and further built upon by AHA Centre Co-Director, Dr. Charlotte Loppie. Initially, the term Capacity Bridging came from a desire to do the work of Visioning Health from a strengths-based approach to research.

The term **capacity building** is seen to be paternalistic, often referring to non-Indigenous academics 'teaching' Indigenous peoples about research. **Capacity bridging** more appropriately represents our reality — Indigenous communities, collectives and organizations possess numerous capacities to plan, to organize, to operationalize and to lead. Communities simply require supports and opportunities to bridge those capacities in the context of research and within what Indigenous scholar Willie Ermine refers to as the Ethical Space, where Indigenous worldview, knowledge systems and practices are valued, acknowledged and used to ground research (Ermine, 2007). Similarly, many non-Indigenous researchers understand the fundamentals of healthy relationships and equity. They require the appropriate environment and support in which to transfer those relational capacities to their research work. For more information, please check out our resources page on the AHA website.

The JIHR welcomes contributions from any author, however, priority will be given to innovative articles that cover areas identified as HIV research, as well as research conducted on Hepatitis C, STBBIs, mental health, aging and chronic diseases associated with HIV. Articles should demonstrate the use of Indigenous and/ or Community-Based Research (CBR) methods or philosophy among Indigenous peoples in Canada. Articles written from a strengths-based perspective are strongly encouraged. Authors are also encouraged to highlight how the principles of GIPA (Greater Involvement of People Living with HIV) and MEPA (Meaningful Engagement of People Living with HIV) have been applied throughout all research processes, including manuscript submissions.



Articles must fall under one or more of the following headings:

- Indigenous community-based HIV and AIDS research development and findings:

 Quantitative, qualitative, or mixed methods research that is community-engaged throughout.

 We welcome papers that speak to any stage of the research process, including research development, design, data collection and analysis processes and findings.
- Emerging Issues in Community-based HIV and AIDS Research with Indigenous communities: These articles focus on ground-breaking issues, the application of ethics protocol such as the TCPS 2, OCAPTM (Ownership, Control, Access and Possession), the Principles of Métis Health Research, Inuit Qaujimanituqangit (IQ) and/or other locally enforced protocols that are grounded in Community-Based Research (CBR).
- **Student work:** Students can submit articles (term papers, thesis, etc.) that focus on HIV and the expanded mandate in Indigenous communities.
- **Commentary:** Opinion pieces which speak to trends in Indigenous community-based research, Knowledge Translation or other issues of importance to Indigenous stakeholders.
- **Stories:** Personal accounts of experiences related to HIV research, or accounts of successful and innovative approaches that address HIV in Indigenous communities.
- International work that includes an Indigenous Canadian component: Articles written for an international audience about Indigenous peoples, HIV and AIDS and/or related issues. Articles must include a Canadian component.

*We will accept papers that do not directly address the Capacity Bridging theme.

Submission Deadline: Please submit two copies (one blinded, one not blinded) of your manuscript and a cover letter via e-mail to Jennifer Mavritsakis (jenniferm@caan.ca) before Monday June 07, 2021 by 4:30pm PST.

Inquiries: Inquiries related to the suitability of manuscripts, article submission, writing style, peer review guidelines, updates or back issues, may be directed to Marni Amirault (marnia@caan.ca).

Information and policies can be found on the JIHR pages of AHA Centre website <u>www.ahacentre.ca</u>

