



ACCESS-MH – Annual Update 2017

Barriers and Facilitators in Access to Child/Youth Mental Health Services

ABOUT US

Atlantic Canada Children's Effective Service & Strategies in Mental Health (ACCESS-MH) is a consortium of five universities—Memorial University, Saint Mary's University, Université De Moncton, University of New Brunswick, and the University of Prince Edward Island. The aim of the consortium is to build a research program which will bring together a cross-sectorial and interdisciplinary team of researchers, health care providers, and decision makers from across Atlantic Canada to take a diverse and innovative approach to studying how services are provided to children and youth identified with any of the following five disorders: Anxiety, Depression, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Conduct Disorder and Eating disorder. This is a five-year project.

FACULTY/TEAM OUTPUTS

The research team, consisting of faculty and students, has been very busy over the past year and half. They have produced publications, conferences presentations/posters, and workshops. Please review the following list

2017 Publications

Tilleczek, K.C., Bell, B.L., & Lezeu, K. (submitted). Youth voices and journeys in mental health: Invoking unique patient perspectives. *Canadian Journal of Community Mental Health*.

Bell, B.L. & Campbell, V. (2014). *Dyadic interviews in qualitative research* (Research Shorts Series #1). Charlottetown, PE: Young Lives Research Lab, University of Prince Edward Island.

Tilleczek, K., & Lezeu, K. (2014). Journeys in youth mental health. *Education Canada. Special Issue: Youth Mental Health*, 54(2), 12-18.

Wershler, J., & Ronis, S. T. (2015). Psychosocial characteristics and service needs of Canadian suburban male youth at risk for homelessness. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 55, 29-36. doi:10.1016/j.childyouth.2015.05.009

Ronis, S. T., Slaunwhite, A., & Malcom, K. E. (2015). *Understanding why place matters: An international comparison of mental health care systems*. Manuscript requested for revise and resubmit for publication.

Slaunwhite, A., McEachern, J., Ronis, S. T., & Peters, P. (in press). Alcohol distribution reforms and school proximity to liquor sales outlets in New Brunswick. *Canadian Journal of Public Health*.

Ronis, S. T., Slaunwhite, A. K., & Malcom, K. E. (in press). Comparing strategies for providing child and youth mental health services in Canada, the United States, and the Netherlands. *Administration and Policy in Mental Health*. doi:10.1007/s10488-017-0808-z

Slaunwhite, A. K., Ronis, S. T., Sun, Y., & Peters, P. (2017). The emotional health and well-being of Canadians who care for persons with mental health or addictions problems. *Journal of Health and Social Care in the Community*, 25, 840-847. doi:10.1111/hsc.12366

Wershler, J. F., & Ronis, S. T. (2016). Hidden homelessness and service needs among male youth: Implications for service provision. *Psynopsis*, 38, 15-16.

Wershler, J. L., & Ronis, S. T. (2015). Psychosocial characteristics and service needs of Canadian suburban male youth at risk for homelessness. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 55, 29-36. doi:10.1016/j.childyouth.2015.05.009



2017 Presentations & Posters

Tilleczek, K. (2017, August) Scale-up projects as policy activism. Invited presentation at the Atlantic Summer Institute for Child and Youth Mental Health, Holland College, Charlottetown, PE. August 20-23.

Tilleczek, K., & Bell, B.L. (2017, August). Youth Journeys in Mental Health in Atlantic Canada. Paper presented at the Atlantic Summer Institute for Child and Youth Mental Health, Holland College, Charlottetown, PE, August 20-23.

Bell, B.L. (2017, August). Profile of Child and Youth Mental Health in Atlantic Canada. Invited presentation at the Atlantic Summer Institute for Child and Youth Mental Health, Holland College, Charlottetown, PE, August 20-23.

Tilleczek, K., Bell, B., & Munro, M. (2017, September). *Embarrassment of Riches: Youth Mental Health, Poverty and Social Class*. Paper accepted for the Fourth International Conference on Youth Mental Health. Dublin, Ireland. September 24-26, 2017.

Bell, B., Tilleczek, K., & Munro, M. (2017, September). *Digital Media & Youth Mental Health: Youth, Parent, and Service Provider Perspectives*. Table presentation accepted for the Fourth International Conference on Youth Mental Health. Dublin, Ireland. September 24-26, 2017.

Munro, M., Tilleczek, K., & Bell, B. (2017, September). *Youth perspectives in the treatment of anxiety: Navigating the mental health system*. Paper accepted for the

Fourth International Conference on Youth Mental Health. Dublin, Ireland. September 24-26, 2017.

Tilleczek, K. & Bell, B.L. (2017, October) Youth mental health in Atlantic Canada: Journeys and Directions. Invited Keynote address at CAMET: Canadian Atlantic Ministers of Education and Training Symposium, Halifax, Nova Scotia. October 23-24.

Malcom, K., & Ronis, S. T. (2017, November). *Interconnection of parent-adolescent conflict and youth adjustment*. Poster session to be presented at the meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, FL.

Miller, D., Ronis, S. T., & Slaunwhite, A. (2017, November). *The impact of family, support, and clinical factors on readmission to inpatient care among children and adolescents*. Poster session to be presented at the meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando, FL.

Miller, D., Ronis, S. T., & Slaunwhite, A. (2017, May). *Examination of repeat hospital admissions for mental health conditions among children and adolescents in New Brunswick*. Paper session presented at the meeting of the Canadian Association of Health Services and Policy Research, Toronto, ON.

Miller, D., Slaunwhite, A., Ronis, S. T., & Peters, P. (2017, May). *To everything there is a season: Mental-health related hospitalizations by children, adolescents, and adults*. Paper session presented at the meeting of the Canadian Association of Health Services and Policy Research, Toronto, ON.

Ronis, S. T., ††Slaunwhite, A. K., Peters, P. A., & †Miller, D. A. A. (2017, March). *'To everything there is a season': Mental health-related hospitalizations by youth and adults*. Poster session presented at the meeting of the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine.

CAHSPR Presentations

Tilleczek, K., Bell, B., Munro, M., & Gallant, S. (2017, May). *Youth Journeys in Mental Health*. Paper **accepted** to the 2017 Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) Conference. Toronto, Ontario. May 24-26, 2017.

Bell, B., Tilleczek, K., & Munro, M. (2017, May). *Intersections of Mental Health & Digital Media in Young Lives*. Poster **accepted** to the 2017 Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) Conference. Toronto, Ontario. May 24-26, 2017.

Munro, M., Tilleczek, K., & Bell, B. (2017, May). *Narratives of Barriers and Facilitators in the Treatment of Youth Anxiety*. Paper **accepted** to the 2017 Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) Conference. Toronto, Ontario. May 24-26, 2017.

Gallant, S., Tilleczek, K., & Bell, B. (2017, May). *The Depression Care-Seeking Journeys of Mothers and Daughters*. Paper **accepted** to the 2017 Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) Conference. Toronto, Ontario. May 24-26, 2017.

Shams, Zaman (2017, May) *Modeling Emergency Vehicle Usage Decision for Children and Youth with Mental Health Issue in Nova Scotia*. Poster **accepted** to the 2017 Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research (CAHSPR) Conference. Toronto, Ontario. May 24-26, 2017.

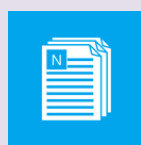


Workshops

Bell, B.L. *Witnessing & Respecting Youth Voice in Research on Young Lives*. Symposium: Emergent trends in research with vulnerable young people, to be held Nov 20-21, 2015 at Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS.

Bell, B.L. & Bartellas, M. *Journey Mapping for Research and Parent/Community Engagement*. Atlantic Summer Institute on Healthy and Safe Communities: Investing in Child and Youth Mental Health – Mobilizing Atlantic Canadians for a Positive Future, held August 19, 2015 in Charlottetown, PE.

Bell, B.L., & Loebach, J. *Research with, for, and by youth: Digital media and mental health in young lives*. UPEI Faculty of Education Seminar Series, held November 27, 2014 in Charlottetown, PE.



Technical Reports

Garcés Davila, M. I., & Ronis, S. T. (2015). *Accountability in non-profit organizations: Organizational mandates and outcomes assessment in mental health services, A report to: DOTS NB*. Fredericton, NB: University of New Brunswick.

Audas, R., Ryan, D., Harris-Walsh, K., Wells, S., Murphy, P. (2015, Oct). *Needs Assessment Survey Autism Community, Newfoundland Labrador*. St. John's, NL: Memorial University

Conrad, P. (2014, April). *Annotated Inventory of Provincial Documents about Provision of Child and Youth Mental Health Services in the Four Atlantic Provinces for the Five Conditions under consideration: Autism, Eating Disorders, Depression, Anxiety and Conduct Disorders*

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