



# MEDIA ADVISORY

## International health experts to gather in Ottawa to discuss evidence-based healthcare over next decade

Ottawa (April 22, 2014) – The Cochrane Canada 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium, *20/20 Vision: Cochrane in the next decade*, takes place in Ottawa this week.

Experts from around the world will gather in Ottawa to discuss the future of evidence-based health and healthcare systems. Specialists in attendance will include Dr. Peter Tugwell, medical doctor and health equity expert. Dr. Tugwell was recently honoured as an Officer of the Order of Canada for his work on solving inequities in health care as it relates to wealth, location, race, occupation, gender, religion, and education.

Other experts speaking include Professor Mike Clarke, Director of the Hub for Trials Methodology Research at Queen's University, Belfast, and a founder of Evidence Aid. Dr. George Wells, Senior Scientist at the Ottawa Health Research Institute and Director, Cardiovascular Research Methods Centre, University of Ottawa, will also present.

**Location:** Ottawa Marriott Hotel, 100 Kent Street, Ottawa

**Date:** April 24-25, 2014

The complete program is available at:

[https://www.eventsforce.net/COCHRANE/media/uploaded/EVCOCHRANE/event\\_2/Program%2016%20April%202014.pdf](https://www.eventsforce.net/COCHRANE/media/uploaded/EVCOCHRANE/event_2/Program%2016%20April%202014.pdf)

Symposium information is available at:

[https://www.eventsforce.net/cochrane/frontend/reg/ttandc.csp?pageID=223&ef\\_sel\\_menu=10&eventID=2&eventID=2](https://www.eventsforce.net/cochrane/frontend/reg/ttandc.csp?pageID=223&ef_sel_menu=10&eventID=2&eventID=2)

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