The Canadian Physiotherapy Association is thrilled to announce that the CPA Awards Committee selected Alison Hoens as the recipient of this year’s Enid Graham Memorial Lecture Award. Alison will be delivering a 45-minute lecture of her choice at Congress in Montreal during the opening ceremony, November 1, 2018.

Biography

Alison Hoens holds two positions: (1) Physical Therapy Knowledge Broker and Clinical Professor within the University of British Columbia Department of Physical Therapy, and (2) Research, Education, and Practice Coordinator for Physiotherapy at Providence Healthcare (PHC). She is currently on secondment from these two positions to serve as Knowledge Translation Specialist at the BC SUPPORT Unit (one of 10 Units established across Canada as part of the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research (SPOR), a national initiative led by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) to support, streamline and increase patient-oriented research).

Ms. Hoens received her B.Sc. in Physical Therapy from UBC and her postgraduate degrees from Curtin University in Perth, Australia.

Ms. Hoens’ contributions to the profession span the realms of clinical practice, pre-and post-licensure education, and research provincially, nationally, and internationally. At PHC she is responsible for research, education, and evidence-based practice support for over 130 Physiotherapists and Rehabilitation Assistants across the spectrum of acute, rehabilitation, and residential care settings. In her unique role as Knowledge Broker she has facilitated partnerships in over 50 projects between more than 400 researchers, clinicians, decision makers, and patients
in clinically relevant research and in the development of resources and tools to support evidence-informed practice. These partnerships have been successful in procuring more than $3 million in research funding. The 22 resources and tools that have been developed to support clinical practice have been accessed ~200,000 times worldwide. The Knowledge Broker role has received attention across Canada and has served as a model for other disciplines striving to support the integration of clinical, research, education and policy domains.

Website: http://physicaltherapy.med.ubc.ca/physical-therapy-knowledge-broker/
Twitter: https://twitter.com/PhysioKTBroker

Awards:

2016  Canadian Physiotherapy Association Honorary Membership Award
2016  Canadian Physiotherapy Association Silver Quill Award
2016  Arthritis Health Professional Association Clinical Innovation Award
2014  Leading Practice Award: Accreditation Canada
2013  Excellence in Research and Knowledge Translation: Physiotherapy Association of BC
2007  Vancouver Coastal Health and Providence Health Care Physiotherapy Dedication to Research Award
1992  Curtin Alumni Gold Medal (Australia)
1990  Overseas Postgraduate Research Award (Australia)
1989  David B. James Prize (Australia)
1986  Sherwood Lett Memorial Scholarship