

Participatory Research at McGill (PRAM) Presents:

Doing Community-Based Research Well: Ethical challenges and strategies



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As our research approaches become more responsive and community based, new ethical issues arise. Challenges such as data sharing, confidentiality in smaller communities, and sustainability of training community-researcher programs require new strategies and collaboration based on trust. Dr Gibson will review these issues, with examples from her northern community research partnerships.

Dr. Gibson, a medical anthropologist, collaborates with immigrant and Aboriginal populations in Canada, and post-conflict populations in Sierra Leone, West Africa, in response to requests for community-based research. Her current work with CIETcanada involves capacity building around resilience, particularly with the young people in these communities, to reduce suicide rates, AIDS prevalence, and other community-identified health priorities. Dr. Gibson has worked on international health projects in India, Guatemala and Sierra Leone, West Africa, and advised municipal provincial and national governments on health programs.

Selected Publications

Edwards, K, Mitchell, S, Zoe Martin, C., Gibson, N. (2008) **Community-coordinated research as HIV/AIDS prevention strategy in northern Canadian communities**. *Pimatisiwin: A Journal of Indigenous and Aboriginal Community Health* 6(2):111-128.

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Gibson, N., Macaulay, A., Herbert C. 2004. **Participatory research: Ethics and practice**. The annual meeting of the North American Primary Care Research Group, Banff, October 2003

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