SASKATCHEWAN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FALL 2019



CHAPTER INFORMATION

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HSC National Office IS MOVING IN OCTOBER! New address: 20 Erb St. W, Suite 801, Waterloo, ON N2L 1T2

1-800-998-7398 <u>info@huntingtonsociety.ca</u>

HSC RESOURCE CENTRES

Family Services Program available at HSC Resource Centres includes:

- Information on HD and strategies for care
 - Connecting families with community services/resources through referral and advocacy
- Educational sessions to community groups and healthcare professionals

Saskatchewan (Saskatoon) Erin Stephen BSW RSW Resource Centre Director 306-979-9111 Toll free: 1-855-253-0215 estephen@huntingtonsociety.ca

The HSC Saskatchewan Resource

Centre (SKRC) is located in Saskatoon, and offers the HSC Family Services Program. Erin Stephen, RSW, is available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

HD RESOURCES

Clinical Trials

Participating in a clinical trial is a personal choice. Clinical trials can help advance medical research.

HSC encourages those interested to connect with their Resource Centre Director to discuss possible impacts of participating.

For locations and contact person, visit: <u>www.huntingtonsociety.ca/clinical-trial-locations</u>

HDBuzz.net

HD research news. In plain language. Written by scientists for the global HD community. Stay up to date with the latest research news about HD from around the world! Visit <u>www.en.hdbuzz.net</u> for more information.

HD Fact Sheets

Fact sheets on a variety of topics relating to HD including communication, clinical trials and behaviour are available on our website at <u>www.hdfactsheets.ca</u>.

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Province-Wide Events

Holiday Hustle: The Holiday Hustle is a great way to stay active and involved during the Winter season! Check out our website for a race near you, and start fundraising for some amazing prizes: <u>www.hscevents.ca/HolidayHustle</u>. If you've found a race near you that is not listed, contact us at <u>events@huntingtonsociety.ca</u>.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

We held our Walk to Cure HD on June 1 and would like to extend our gratitude to everyone who helped make it a success! Special thanks go out to all participants, volunteers, ASL Paving, Domino's Pizza, David Forster & Little John Rentals, Tim Morse for the Van Houtte Coffee, and our amazing silent auction donors. Together we raised \$21,807! The 4th Annual Online Auction for HD allocated all of the funds raised to the Saskatoon Chapter. This year the grand total was \$4,563! Thank you to all of the businesses and individuals who donated or bid on items. The Chapter is looking to go provincial. We welcome anyone who would like to host an event anywhere in Saskatchewan.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SASKATOON COMMUNITY EDUCATION FORUM & CHRISTMAS PARTY November 19, 2019 - 6:00 p.m. Edwards Centre, 333 4th Ave. N.

For more information, visit www.huntingtonsociety.ca/CEF.

Stay tuned for more information on our Annual Christmas Party! Like our Facebook page and check for updates and information on events. <u>www.facebook.com/HuntingtonSocietyOfCanadaSaskatoon</u>

REGINA COMMUNITY EDUCATION FORUM

Details TBA - Visit <u>www.hsc.ca/CEF</u> for details.

MEETINGS

Chapter meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (October - December and March - June). Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Edwards Centre, 333 4th Ave. N. Pragmatic Toll-Free 855-392-2520, Access Code 7356960.

Young People Affected by HD (YPAHD) Chapter

YPAHD helps youth think about and discuss issues such as genetic testing, family life, and dating with HD, and supports them in their struggles of being affected by the disease. This group gives young people someone with whom they can relate, talk to, and lean on. This support system can be incredibly important during this stage in life and beyond.

MEETINGS

YPAHD is a virtual chapter that meets monthly via telephone. YPAHD conference calls are typically scheduled during the evening of the second Sunday of each month but this schedule is subject to change. Check social media or contact <u>ypahd@huntingtonsociety.ca</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

YPAHD day is coming up on November 16, 2019. YPAHD day is a one-day conference specifically designed for youth (14-35) affected by HD. Youth from across the country gather regionally to learn about genetic testing, family planning, caring for someone with HD, guilt, event planning, round table discussions and more! For more information, visit: www.huntingtonsociety.ca/ypahd-day.

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