



## Vancouver Health Economics Methodology 2013 Meeting

### ***Background & Synopsis***

The annual 1-day meeting of the Vancouver Health Economics Methodology (Van-HEM) group exists to support and promote the work of researchers in the Lower Mainland with an active interest in the economics of health and health care. The group provides a general academic function for all academic health services researchers interested in health economics. In 2013, we are delighted to welcome colleagues from the University of Washington.

### ***How the Meeting Works***

Van-HEM meetings have a distinctive style and feel, replicating the model of the Health Economists' Study Group (HESG) in the UK. Accepted papers are pre-circulated and discussed in  $\approx$ 45-minute sessions using discussants rather than author presentations. A poster session – a new addition for 2013 – will be held over lunch.

### ***Meeting Details***

- No registration fee
- The meeting will be held on Friday, June 7th at Creekside Community Centre (Olympic Village)
- The event is scheduled to run from 09:30 to 16:45
- The expectation is for 5/6 papers to be discussed, plus a poster session over lunch
- Invited speaker: Dr. Jeffrey Hoch  
([www.stmichaelshospital.com/research/profile.php?id=hoch](http://www.stmichaelshospital.com/research/profile.php?id=hoch))

### ***Important Dates***

- Abstracts submission deadline: **Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> (5pm, PST)**
- Corresponding authors will be notified about acceptance by **5pm on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**
- Submission of accepted papers: **Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> (5pm, PST)**
- Registration deadline: **Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> (5pm, PST)**

If you have any questions or queries about the event, please contact a member of the organizing committee:  
David ([david\\_whitehurst@sfu.ca](mailto:david_whitehurst@sfu.ca)), Nick ([nick.bansback@ubc.ca](mailto:nick.bansback@ubc.ca)), Adam ([adamraymakers@gmail.com](mailto:adamraymakers@gmail.com))



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### ***Abstract Submission***

We invite any researcher interested in having their work presented and discussed at the Van-HEM meeting to submit a title and brief summary (no more than 300 words). There is a strong work-in-progress emphasis and, accordingly, the summary does not need to be a structured abstract. Students are encouraged to submit their thesis ideas and plans for the poster session.

When submitting, please specify whether you wish your work to be considered for a poster only, paper only, or either. All final manuscripts for the meeting will be on a password protected website.

*\*\* remember that a full manuscript (for accepted papers) needs to be submitted prior to the meeting \*\**

Titles and summaries should be emailed to David (david\_whitehurst@sfu.ca) and/or Nick (nick.bansback@ubc.ca) by **Wednesday, April 17th**.

### ***Participation***

Once the schedule is finalized, we will seek volunteers to chair and discuss each session.

Participation continues beyond the scheduled end time. We hope many attendees will make the short walk to the Tap and Barrel ([www.tapandbarrel.com](http://www.tapandbarrel.com)) for an informal social.

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