

FACILITIES & OTHER RESOURCES – PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT CORE – EPIBIOS4RX

Einstein University

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Computers: Equipment includes office computers (Windows or Mac OSX) with appropriate software (MS Office, Adobe Acrobat, Photoshop, Kaleidagraph, SigmaPlot, Endnote, SAS, Statview, geNorm, ABI 7000 sds v1.2.3, StepOne software, Image J, JMP10 statistical software are available for every member of the team. Access to internet is available to all members of the team.

Offices: Each investigator has a fully equipped office in their respective institution. Office space is available for the student in Dr. Moshé's laboratory.

University of Calgary

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Jointly, the Departments of Community Health Sciences (CHS) and Clinical Neurosciences (along with the University of Calgary Hotchkiss Brain Institute and Institute of Public Health) have a number of training opportunities and seminars delivered by expert researchers that can be accessed by the graduate student/postdoctoral fellow, research assistant and even made available to the PCC and working group members via webinars held through the University of Calgary. Examples include effective methods for patient engaged research and knowledge translation strategies. Furthermore, the team can capitalize on the resources and expertise made available through the newly created SPOR Unit (Supporting Patient Oriented Research) at the University of Calgary.

Another important resource Dr. Jette and her team can access is the Ward of the 21st Century (W21C), a "not-for-profit research and innovation initiative based at the University of Calgary and the Calgary zone of Alberta Health Services. W21C serves as a research and beta-test-site for prototypical hospital design, novel approaches to health care delivery, human factors research and innovative medical technologies."

Dr. Jetté's team has extensive experience with the proposed methodology included in the Public Core Engagement Proposal (participatory action research, survey design and administration, usability testing, focus groups, etc.).

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