



The Respiratory Epidemiology and Clinical Research Unit (RECRU), Montreal Chest Institute & McGill University, Montreal

are pleased to present a workshop on:



THE GRADE APPROACH TO DIAGNOSTIC TESTS AND STRATEGIES



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Date: February 12, 2010 [Friday] **Time:** 10.00 AM – 5.30 PM

Venue: Meakins-Christie Seminar Room, Meakins-Christie Labs, 3626, St Urbain St, Montreal

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The Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation (GRADE) approach provides a framework for grading quality of evidence and strength of health care recommendations that is explicit, comprehensive, transparent, and pragmatic. It is increasingly being adopted by organizations and professional societies worldwide. This workshop will provide an overview of the GRADE approach, with specific emphasis on using GRADE for making recommendations about the use of diagnostic tests and strategies. This workshop will cover issues such as how authors of systematic reviews and guideline developers using GRADE assess the quality of evidence on diagnostic tests and strategies and how those making health care recommendations move from evidence to a recommendation on the use of diagnostic tests and strategies. Website: www.gradeworkinggroup.org

Registration: Registration fee is \$250 (either CAD or US\$) for all participants. Course fee will cover course materials, coffee and box lunch. For further information and registration form, please contact: Danielle Bastien, Montreal Chest Institute, Montreal: danielle.bastien@mcgill.ca [Tel: 514-843-2072].

Capacity: Maximum of 20 trainees [priority will be given to McGill/MUHC students, staff and faculty]

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