

Centre for Heart Lung Innovation Research in Progress (R.I.P.)



Stories of resilience from the 2018 wildfire season in Carrier and Sekani First Nations Peoples' territory

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Zoom Video Conference (Meeting ID: 693 1997 7044; Passcode: 030679)

"British Columbia has experienced several record-breaking wildfire seasons throughout the past decade, each of which has caused social, environmental, and health emergencies across the province. With predictions that this trend will continue, individuals, clinicians, and policymakers are grappling with how to foster wildfire disaster resilience. In this presentation, Justin will discuss qualitative findings from his ongoing PhD research, which uses interviews to investigate lived experiences of the 2018 wildfire season among Dakelh First Nations communities in the Nechako Plateau (north central BC). Justin will share stories and key themes that have arisen from the data, including how participants' daily lives were disrupted by evacuations and wildfire smoke. His work contributes to a CIHR-funded research partnership between Dr. Pat Camp and the First Nations health and social services organization Carrier Sekani Family Services. Justin will situate his collaborative study in broader research regarding air quality, Indigenous health, and disaster resilience policymaking."





